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**Sent:** Monday, July 19, 2021 9:47 AM  
**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** [All Alders] Supporting Capital High at Hoyt School

**Recipient:** All Alders

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**Would you like us to contact you?** Yes, by email

**Message:**

I am writing in advance of the common council meeting this Tuesday July 20th to express my support for bringing the Capital High program to Hoyt School. I am a neighbor of the school, living a few doors down on Regent St. Although change in a long-established neighborhood is always challenging for some, I feel that this would be a gift to our community.

I hear conjecture from my neighbors that the presence of Capital High will bring crowded parking, traffic, noise, and stereotypically adolescent disruptiveness. I object to these on evidentiary grounds - there is no evidence of which I'm aware from the current host schools and neighborhoods of this program that such issues are certain, and parking is a solvable problem. One suggestion - make car commuting less necessary by creating facility and programmatic support for on-site daycare for students with small children. But more importantly, these "concerns" appear to be based on nothing substantial, and hence don't belong in a serious debate.

If, however, we are to traffic in conjecture, I prefer a positive hypothetical: I envision motivated and experienced young adults with whom I share a community, bringing their lives and desires to enrich the Hoyt area, now and in the future.

If Hoyt is the location that students, instructors, administrators, and the common council have determined to be optimal, then Capital should be welcome there. The needs of those who stand to benefit most from the move should not be drowned out by those who stand to lose the least.

**From:** Laura Schmidli <[laura.schmidli@gmail.com](mailto:laura.schmidli@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 26, 2021 3:58 PM  
**To:** Figueroa Cole, Yannette  
**Subject:** Capital High School - Support for move to Hoyt

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Dear Ynette,

First, congratulations on being elected as our new alder. I have appreciated your blog updates to keep us informed.

Second, I'm emailing to express my **support for Capital High School** and **support for their move to the Hoyt building**. I recently learned of a petition to stop this move. I hope that when this petition is introduced to the Common Council you will vote against granting it and instead support Capital High! Of course, I welcome learning more about your stance on this if you have time to share it.

To explain my perspective more: I strongly support alternative education programs that provide students with agency in their education. I work at UW-Madison, and hope that programs like this can increase diversity of future UW-Madison classes. I think at-risk students should be invited in to our educational system and made to feel capable as part of preparing them for higher education. I worry that our current trends of large class sizes and the focus on standardized testing instead excludes and punishes students without family resources or from other cultures. So, it bothers me that this petition could make these students and their families feel unwelcome and judged, and I hope the Common Council will not grant this petition.

Thanks for reading my thoughts. I welcome conversation and would love to hear more about your experience and perspective.

Kind regards,  
Laura

**From:** Susie Gapen <smsgapen@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 27, 2021 3:58 PM  
**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** Capital High support

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I am writing this letter in support of Capital High's move to Hoyt School. I live on the 2700 block of Kendall Ave and urge you not to allow a vocal minority to speak for our community.

Thank you.

Susie Barnett  
2748 Kendall Ave

From: Ronnie Hess <rlhess@wisc.edu>  
Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2021 7:52 PM  
To: All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
Subject: Capital High

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I wholeheartedly support this high school and its forthcoming placement at Hoyt School.  
Ms. Ronnie Hess  
Regent Neighborhood  
Madison

“For there is always light,  
If only we’re brave enough to see it,  
If only we’re brave enough to be it.”  
Amanda Gorman, “The Hill We Climb”

**From:** amyandadam@gmail.com <amyandadam@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 29, 2021 12:48 PM  
**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** [All Alders] Capital High School @ Hoyt School

**Recipient:** All Alders

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**Would you like us to contact you?** Yes, by email

**Message:**

This is in response to the proposed Capital High School location at Hoyt school on Regent Street. I fully supported the MMSD referendum, and 6 Million for Capital High. However, I do not believe Hoyt School on Regent Street is the best location for Capital High.

Regent neighborhood currently has 2 high schools and 3 elementary schools. Randall Elementary and West High School are on Regent street, Blessed Sacrament on Allen Street, Edgewood Elementary and Edgewood High School on Monroe Street. While we love having so many schools, traffic and transportation issues are an ongoing challenge.

Currently, busses line Regent Street for West and Randall students. The long line reduces traffic to one lane during rush hours and creates traffic gridlock for blocks along Regent Street. The intersection of Regent / Highland / Speedway is very dangerous for pedestrians, bikers, and drivers, especially during rush hours. Because of West High School's space and parking limitations, teachers and staff borrow neighborhood driveways to park. Because of space constraints, West athletics have practices and events off-site, and yet MMSD does not provide transportation to those sites. This prevents many West Students from participating in athletics, an equity issue we are attempting to address with the referendum funds.

Our other neighborhood high school, Edgewood, has been engulfed in controversy, lawsuits, and neighborhood disputes over their expanded athletic fields. Neighbors say proposed lighting and sound for the athletic fields will infringe on the enjoyment of their homes, and decrease quality of life. How does all this relate to Capital High? The balance between supporting our schools and also supporting our community residents is already a challenge for our neighborhood.

Finally, by eliminating MSCR at Hoyt school we are eliminating affordable and walkable programs for our neighborhood seniors and after school care programs. This does not seem like a good community solution where affordable programs are scarce.

Adding another High School along Regent Street does not seem like good urban or community planning. I encourage you to consider a site that is more central, has better existing transportation

and infrastructure for busses. One that does not remove currently existing affordable neighborhood programs.

As always, thank you for your service. I have tremendous respect and gratitude for your commitment and work.

Best Wishes,  
Amy Thomas  
Regent neighborhood resident

**From:** Evelyn Gildrie-Voyles <gildrievoyles@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 3, 2021 5:35 PM

**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>

**Subject:** Opposition to Agenda Item 2 - appeal of Planning Commission action on 3802 Regent Street

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Dear Alders,

My name is Evelyn Gildrie-Voyles I reside in district 5 at 202 Farley Avenue. I am saddened by the appeal objecting to the Planning Commission's actions on 3802 Regent Street that will be presented tonight at the Common Council meeting. This appeal in no way represents my feelings as a resident of the 5th district. I welcome Capital High to this neighborhood and to that location. I commend the work that former Alder Bidar, the planning commission and the city council has done on creating a viable plan for providing a home to Capital High and to addressing community concerns about traffic and parking.

Please reject this appeal and allow the Capital High plan to move forward.

With Gratitude,

Evelyn Gildrie-Voyles

Pronouns: she, her, hers

202 Farley Ave

Madison, WI 53705

**From:** reeskeitel09@gmail.com <reeskeitel09@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 22, 2021 5:41 PM  
**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** [All Alders] Capital High School

**Recipient:** All Alders

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**Would you like us to contact you?** Yes, by email

**Message:**

As a near neighbor of the proposed Capital High School in the Hoyt School building, I have followed and support the extensive planning that has gone on to provide for this group of students. Please reject the appeal by neighbors to slow or halt the progress of this important project.



**From:** sbmillar@gmail.com <sbmiller@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 23, 2021 9:31 AM  
**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** [All Alders] Please approve proposal for Capital High School

**Recipient:** All Alders

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**Would you like us to contact you?** No, do not contact me

**Message:**

I strongly support MMSD's proposal to house Capital High School in the Hoyt School Building, and ask you to support the positive reviews this proposal has received from all prior city committees and councils. Please do not let the concerns of a tiny proportion of inappropriately worried neighbors prevent implementation of a plan that is much needed by an underserved set of our young people.

**From:** lglauragottlieb@gmail.com <lglauragottlieb@gmail.com>  
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**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** [All Alders] Capital High School at Hoyt School

**Recipient:** All Alders

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**Would you like us to contact you?** Yes, by email

**Message:**

Hello, Alders, I live relatively close to Hoyt School and, now that I have a dog, walk him leashed through beautiful Hoyt Park on a regular basis. I am writing in favor of using and adapting Hoyt School as an alternative high school in Madison. I can't think of a better location for a school that serves students from around the whole area. It's also one of the most attractive school sites I know of. Simply being on the grounds and in the nearby park is relaxing and inspiring. And the fact that it has been used as a school in the past one of my sons attended Hoyt School as a 6th grader many years ago and as an MSCR classroom site where I took an art class makes it uniquely ready to be used and adapted for other school uses, saving taxpayers the costs of buying new land and building a new school. I heartily endorse using Hoyt School as the new Capitol High School and hope you will too. Thank you!

**From:** hofflc@gmail.com <hofflc@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 23, 2021 3:04 PM  
**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** [All Alders] Capital High at Hoyt School

**Recipient:** All Alders

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**Would you like us to contact you?** Yes, by email

**Message:**

I did vote for the referendum because I believe in the school, but when the petition came around, I had second thoughts.

Parking: ever since MSCR came to Hoyt School, I often have cars parked in front of my driveway, and many times there is no extra parking near the school for several blocks. couldn't the parking lot at Hoyt Park be made available? or a park & ride from some other parking lot such as Glenway?

Community Involvement: MSCR/MMSD has not generally been a good neighbor since I've been here 1996, mostly ignoring the neighborhood and creating issues see history of air conditioning installation, stormwater runoff, plan to tear down and build condos, etc.. communication is mostly non-existent. what measures are they going to implement to involve and/or integrate with the neighborhood?

**From:** Samantha Crownover <samanthacrownover@sbcglobal.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 24, 2021 1:57 PM  
**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** In support of Capital High at Hoyt School

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Hello Alders,

I am writing in strong support of Capital High at Hoyt School. In short, I support a peaceful, beautiful, and practical setting for the students at Capital High. The majority of their student population is non-white and I support a more diverse experience in our mostly white neighborhood. It is clear there is a great disparity in education levels between white and non-white students, so it makes sense that we begin to bolster and support our non-white students however we can! In my opinion, it's about time we progressive Madisonians step up to make our communities better for ALL of us. That may cause some of us some discomfort. It is a small price to pay for red-lining and systemically excluding our non-white neighbors and community members for much of our past history.

Hoyt was once a school, so to be used as such again makes sense. Alternative sites for Capital High have been considered and Hoyt seems the best option. There may be some inconvenience for neighbors, but it is time for us to come together to be supportive of this change and to also address and mitigate the inconveniences as much as possible. Let's stay involved!

I look forward to Capital High being a part of our rich and vibrant neighborhood. I hope we will be invited into the school as much as we invite students and staff into ours.

Warmly and with great respect for the good we can do together,

Sam

Samantha Crownover  
2702 Kendall Ave.  
Madison, WI 53705

**From:** jrklippe@gmail.com <jrklippe@gmail.com>  
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**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** [All Alders] Capital High location at Hoyt School

**Recipient:** All Alders

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**Would you like us to contact you?** No, do not contact me

**Message:**

Friends,  
I wish to let you know of my complete and unequivocal support for locating the consolidated Capital High at Hoyt School. Our society and our city face many social and environmental challenges. These challenges demand that we do things differently and that we actively embrace alternatives to what we are doing now. Effective education of our young is THE single most important thing we can do to move toward a just and sustainable future. Many of our youth need a different kind of education than is conventionally provided. I know this personally. My daughter attended Madison Middle School 2000 when it was founded it was originally sited at Hoyt before Wright was constructed!. She subsequently attended Shabazz and the availability of that alternative school is the only reason she was able to graduate from high school. Hoyt is a great place for another alternative school. The natural environment in which it is also a great place for experiential education that is often a core part of alternative pedagogy. Neighborhood objections are thin and misplaced. I have lived for 36 years 1 block away from West High on Rowley Ave. and I have never experienced any problems from students or the proximity of the school. I urge you to proceed with Capital High at Hoyt without delay. Thank you.

**From:** reeskeitel09@gmail.com <reeskeitel09@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 24, 2021 6:16 PM  
**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** [All Alders] Capital High School

**Recipient:** All Alders

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**Would you like us to contact you?** Yes, by email

**Message:**

As a near neighbor of the proposed Capital High School in the Hoyt School building, I have followed and support the extensive planning that has gone on to provide for this group of students. Please reject the appeal by neighbors to slow or halt the progress of this important project.

**From:** rszeldin@wisc.edu <rszeldin@wisc.edu>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 26, 2021 11:11 AM  
**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** [All Alders] Capital Heights School

**Recipient:** All Alders

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**Would you like us to contact you?** Yes, by email

**Message:**

Greetings, I urge you to vote against the new construction and school unless there are explicit plans to accommodate the significantly large charges that are bound to occur in the near and short term.

I have three recommendations, below.

There is no doubt that the increase in bodies teachers, staff, students will lead to more trash, cars, and gradual destruction of Hoyt Park and generally to the neighborhood. Up to 300 additional students, not including all the support that is needed for such students, has to have an impact.

As of now, I have not heard any real acknowledgement of this. To be able to plan for changing circumstances in the future:

1. Please speak to how the city will respond to greater amounts of trash in Hoyt Park and the surrounding neighborhoods.
2. Please establish a regular annual review period when neighborhood and school stakeholders have an opportunity to discuss how things are going and propose changes.
3. Please encourage the school to reach out in explicit ways to neighborhood residents and vice versa so that a true partnership and sense of reciprocity can be formed.

I am out of town with family issues until October, so I am sorry I can not be at the meeting.

Sincerely,

Richard Zeldin  
2811 Regent Street

**From:** jonmiskowski@gmail.com <jonmiskowski@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 27, 2021 8:36 PM  
**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** [All Alders] Capital High at Hoyt School

**Recipient:** All Alders

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**Would you like us to contact you?** Yes, by email

**Message:**

Alders,

On Tuesday August 24 at an open meeting of the Regent Neighborhood Association Board, the RNA Board passed a resolution supporting the plan to establish Capital High at Hoyt School.

The residents of the Regent Neighborhood have a long history and strong connections with Hoyt School and the RNA Board supports repurposing Hoyt for the new educational purpose.

The RNA Board enthusiastically welcomes Capital High and asks all alders to support Capital High at Hoyt School at the August 31st meeting.

Thank you.

Regent Neighborhood Board



**From:** Barry Berman <bermanb@earthlink.net>  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 28, 2021 4:58 PM  
**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** Hoyt School Conditional Use Appeal

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Madison Alders,

Attached, please find a letter supporting the appeal of the planning commission's conditional use approval for a high school to be located at the Hoyt School building. Also attached are the following:

- A petition signed by 56 neighbors, who live in close proximity to the school, opposing a high school being established in the Hoyt School building because it will bring a substantial amount of increased traffic to the area.
- A link to YouTube (below) with a 3 minute video of a drive starting from the entrance to Owen Parkway on the west, down Regent Street past Hoyt School, to the stop sign on Franklin Avenue, and ending at Farley Street to the east. This shows the size and scope of the area and the streets involved for anyone who may not be familiar with this location.

<https://youtu.be/NZ9JBimcoTs>

-An illustration of potential bus loading and unloading congestion areas on Regent Street in front of Hoyt School.

We hope you will review this information and decide to uphold the appeal filed by the neighbors that live within 200 feet of the proposed school.

Thank you.

Regards,

Barry Berman  
3933 Regent Street

The Appeal filed by the neighbors of Hoyt School asks the Common Council to review the Planning Commission's approval of a conditional use for the relocation of Capital High. The Appeal, however, is not about Capital High. The neighbors of Hoyt Park support Capital High and its mission. Instead, the Appeal is about ensuring that the neighborhood around Hoyt School is not detrimentally impacted and that the students of Capital High are adequately served.

The proponents of moving Capital High to Hoyt School have attempted to make support for this relocation synonymous with support for Capital High. That sentiment has stood in the way of having meaningful discussions about this project. Capital High has been educating our children for years and has a successful track record in that endeavor. We should all support Capital High and its continued efforts. However, that does not mean we should support moving Capital High, or any high school, to Hoyt School, a former elementary school on Regent Street. Attempting to haphazardly consolidate students of Capital High at the Hoyt School is not supporting the students, and the lack of planning for issues like traffic and congestion will have a negative impact on the surrounding community.

During its quest for a conditional use permit, MMSD has made obviously exaggerated claims. For example, MMSD has claimed that Hoyt School is "the only available building left in Madison designed for students that can meet our unique needs." In reality, MMSD is seeking to save money by moving students into a location that MMSD itself characterizes as "underutilized." This decision will come at the expense of the students and the neighborhood.

Our biggest concern about a high school in this location is the inevitable traffic and parking problems. MMSD has downplayed this traffic congestion. MMSD has made the extreme claim that Capital High will bring barely more than the traffic generated by MSCR currently using this location. MSCR staff consists of only approximately 50 full and part time employees. Conversely, the high school will have 218 people that will now be using the building. MMSD projects enrollment could reach 300 students which would result in excess of 350 people coming and going at the same times each day.

There are currently only 23 parking spaces, just enough for half of the staff and none of the students. Assuming that the current parking across the street remains unchanged, there is room for an additional 13 cars. The total of 36 spaces is not enough parking on the first day of school before factoring in an additional 15 spaces needed for students that currently drive to school. As the school grows, there will undoubtedly be even more parking needed for staff and students.

As it relates to the lack of sufficient parking, you do not have to take our word for it. The zoning code itself supports our position that relocating Capital High would cause a traffic problem. The zoning code for a school requires a parking stall for each classroom. There are 17 classrooms, plus an art room and a science room. The code would require 19 spaces for these classrooms. Zoning also requires 1 parking stall for each 5 students that are of driving age. Assuming half of the students are of driving age (it's likely more), the zoning code would require another 18 parking spaces. In other words, at a bare minimum, the school requires 37 parking spots, and it currently only has 23 spots available. If the school grows to 300 students, the school would likely need in excess of 50 parking spaces to comply with the zoning code, over double the spaces currently available. Regardless of the zoning requirements, the



reality is that there are just not enough parking spaces around the school for current and future needs. MMSD has no apparent plan for this disparity.

In addition to staff and students driving to school, we should expect that there will be additional vehicles traveling down Regent Street driven by parents, friends, or relatives dropping students off at school and picking them up. How many cars will that be? Then there are the buses that we are told will transport the majority of the students. There will be at least 5 buses that converge on Hoyt School at approximately the same time. The buses will have to drive in around 8:45 to 9 AM, drop off the students, and then drive out on a different road. There is no room to turn around. At around 1:45 to 2 PM, the buses will return, pick up the students and drive out on a different road. Loading 40 teenagers on a bus will not be a short process. If 5 buses were to line up on the north side of the road, they will stretch for more than half of a football field down Regent Street. Imagine if the school expands to 300 students, the 7 or 8 buses needed will stretch more than a football field blocking driveways and making the narrowest part of Regent Street only one lane wide.

If buses load and unload on both sides of the street, it will shorten the line of buses. However, if cars also parked on both sides of Regent and buses tried to pull up beside them to unload on both sides of the street, the remaining road would be only 8 feet wide to drive down. This would obviously be unsafe for motorists and pedestrians. (See drawing A.) The city staff recommends a no parking zone on both sides of Regent Street during school hours and the installation of a 100-foot long pad for student unloading. This no parking zone would eliminate the 13 parking spaces on the south side of the street and 9, 2 hour spaces on the north side of the street. This would obviously further exacerbate the traffic and parking problems described above. (See drawing B)

The buses and cars are not the only problem. There is no loading dock at Hoyt School. Where will the trucks unload supplies for the school and food for the kitchen? The lack of space and the size of the streets makes parking, loading, and unloading of vendor and supply vehicles difficult without upsetting traffic.

The majority of the school traffic and all of the bus traffic will be traveling on Regent Street and Larkin Street. Buses will have difficulty turning onto Regent Street from Franklin if there is a car at the intersection stop sign because the road is only 25 feet wide. To avoid that, they may have to travel up Regent Street past West High to Hoyt School if they will be unloading on the north side of Regent where the school is located. The bus will exit by turning on Larkin Street to drive to Mineral Point Road. If a bus is going to unload across the street from Hoyt, it will have to travel down Larkin Street, turn right on to Regent, unload and exit down Regent Street. There will only be room for 2 buses out of the 5, or more, buses to unload on this side of the street.

Additionally, will more cars venture down the narrowest part of Regent though the park as they exit the school? Will Hoyt Park be affected by a high school? Will the parking lot at Hoyt Park become a waiting area for drivers picking up students after school? Hoyt Park is already very popular and is a big traffic draw on it's own without having to absorb additional traffic from the school.

Based on the 2-hour parking signs that are proliferating in the neighborhood, people are not fond of having someone else park in front of their house. The potential noise and trash from these parking arrangements is not on anybody's wish list. Nor do people want to lose the ability to park their own car



in front of their house or have to deal with streets that become too narrow for two cars to pass due to cars parking on both sides of the street.

In addition to the congestion from the high school, MSGR will continue to run their programs before and after school at Hoyt. That means more traffic and more parking needs before and after school. We have heard much about a commercial kitchen that will be open to the community after school hours. Will that community be all of Madison who will also be driving here? Inevitably, that will create more traffic after school hours. Also, there has been discussion of opening the commercial kitchen to West High students. Will those students walk a half-mile to Hoyt School, or will that mean more buses and cars traveling to Hoyt School?

Traffic congestion can be dangerous and unpleasant to struggle with every day. This site is not the right place for a high school. This is not the right place for a school that wants to grow. A school should not be dropped into a neighborhood where it will be at odds with the neighbors. The people living near the school will be greatly affected and should have more of a say in what happens. There were obligatory meetings by MMSD that started towards the end of 2019 which became PR presentations for Capital High. Dissent was not thoughtfully considered or responded to. After the first two in-person meetings at the end of 2019, there was virtual meeting in February 2020 when Covid shut down so much of our lives. There was no additional discussion regarding the school that we are aware of after that.

Capital High has flourished in other locations and can do so in a better location than Hoyt. This project was a full court press by MMSD to squeeze students into a facility that MMSD claims to be underutilized. No traffic or parking studies were done. Such studies, early in the process, undoubtedly would have determined that there will be problems. Hoyt School has not been used as a school for many years and nothing in the zoning code or regulations for public or private schools should be grandfathered in during review. A new school in this location should be required to follow the same regulations that would be required by any new school.

Hoyt School is not a good site, or the only site for this high school. Students can enroll and be accepted at Capital High regardless of where they live, so other location options are definitely available. Given MMSD's admission that all students are busing or driving in, there are clearly many possibilities for locations. There was a referendum passed to fund improvements for all schools, including Capital High. Instead of investing \$6 million in a location where MMSD is trying to shoehorn a school in a tight space, it should invest more of the \$317 million that was approved for all schools and find a better, long term, facility and location for Capital High and its students. Thank you for your consideration.

## No Hoyt High Petition

I oppose the establishment of a high school in the Hoyt School building which would bring a substantial increase in vehicular and pedestrian traffic to the Sunset Hills/Hoyt Park area.

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## No Hoyt High Petition

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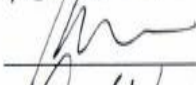
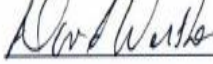
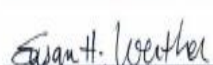
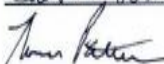
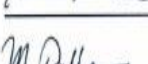

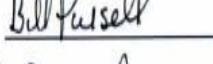
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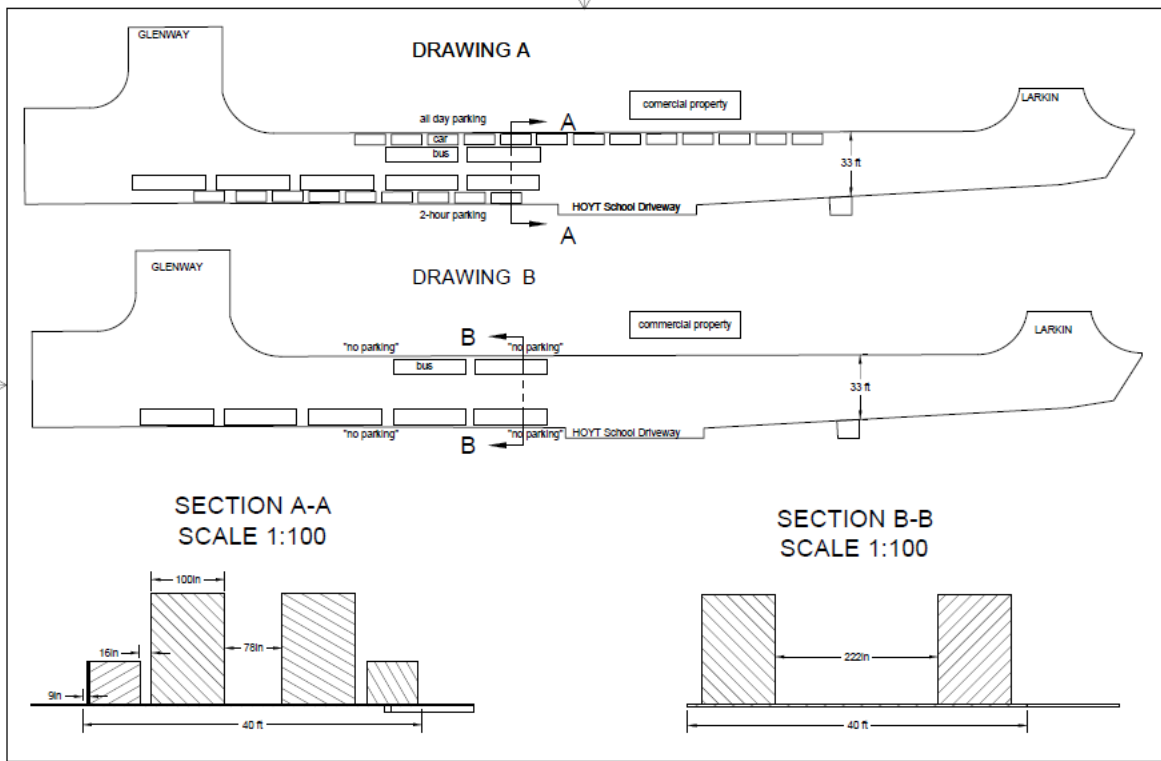
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From: Bidar-Sielaff, Shiva <shivabidar@tds.net>  
Sent: Sunday, August 29, 2021 8:53 AM  
To: All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
Cc: Stouder, Heather <HStouder@cityofmadison.com>  
Subject: Agenda item #2-Appeal of the Plan Commission action on the Conditional Use request for 3802 Regent St, Legistar ID 65486. Attachments: Hoyt Plan Commission

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Dear alders,

First and foremost thank you for your service in the City Council.

I am writing to ask you to deny the appeal before you next Tuesday. I apologize for not being able to attend the meeting to provide testimony but I am traveling overseas on Tuesday to visit my family after 2 years.

During my time as alder, I held three neighborhood meetings to discuss MMSD's plans to locate Capital High at Hoyt School. The meetings were well attended and City staff as well as MMSD staff were present, listened and iteratively responded to the concerns raised. Despite the facts shared about the low impact Capital High will have on traffic and parking, some residents continue to present an overstated non-factual narrative about the potential impact.

I want to reiterate that the great majority of district 5 residents I heard from during my time as alder and continue to hear from now are in full support of having Capital High at Hoyt. We look forward to welcoming the Capital High students into a newly remodeled space and beautiful surrounding that reflect how much we value our youth. I live 7 blocks from Hoyt and I am thrilled to be able to share our wonderful neighborhood with the Capital High students.

Please support the unanimous vote of the Plan Commission in favor of Capital High at Hoyt and deny the appeal.

Best,

Shiva Bidar  
Former District 5 Alder  
2704 Kendall Ave

**From:** Mo Cheeks <maurice@mocheeks.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 29, 2021 10:28 PM  
**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** personal message of support for Capital High School

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Alders,

First, let me say that I'm very grateful for the work that you're doing for our city right now. Having served on the Council for 6 years, I empathize with all that is on your plate this time of year. And still, I can't fully appreciate how uniquely stressful the past 18 months have been as you try your best to lead our city through a pandemic. Thank you for your commitment to our community.

I'm writing you today regarding item 5 on your 8/31 agenda, asking you to reject the Appeal of the Plan Commission action on the Conditional Use request for 3802 Regent St.

More plainly stated– I am asking you to support Capital High School's move into the old Hoyt School building. The Council, on behalf of our city, should extend a huge welcome to our students as they move into a new school home. Especially after our city overwhelmingly supported this move as part of the MMSD ballot referendum last fall.

My wife, Melissa, and I have been involved in supporting the Capital High School community for the past few years. I have spent time with Capital High westside students out in their facility in the over-capacity leased strip mall site. And I've spent time with Capital High eastside students out in their borrowed space inside Lapham Elementary School.

I've seen up close that the students and faculty in these schools are amongst the most dedicated in our community. Students opt into Capital High because they make an active decision to take ownership of their education and are seeking out the personalized learning environment that Capital offers. Many of these young people have experienced hardships that we'd like to think don't happen to youth in our community. Yet, they get up and persist into this Capital High school community that is built to meet them where they're at... many pursuing their diploma while also being income earners for their families. Capital High School students are exemplars of courage and determination.

After you deny this appeal and support this wonderful next step for the Capital High community... I'd like to encourage you to consider attending an upcoming Capital High graduation ceremony. I assure you that the palpable feelings of joy, triumph, and pride that Capital High graduates and their families have at graduation are unrivaled in any celebration of success in our city.

I trust that amongst a busy agenda, you'll send a strong message to the youth of our community - that all students are welcome in this city, and the City Council stands right alongside the MMSD

School Board in welcoming Capital High students to their new permanent home in the Hoyt neighborhood.

Cheers,

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**Mo Cheeks**

**From:** larkinutube <mvmadison105@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 30, 2021 2:18 PM  
**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** Comment on 8/31 council meeting agenda item: 66635 Hoyt school

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**I oppose Capitol high at the Hoyt school location. Much of the traffic from its 350 customers will be driving past my home on Larkin St. Larkin St is a residential street composed entirely of single family homes.**

**I was at MMSD's presentations for capitol high. They did not seem to consider any other location besides Hoyt. Why isn't MMSD considering the former Tokay school on 5300 Tokay that Epic no longer uses and has been sitting empty for over 4 years.**

**Tokay school is easy walking distance to the west bus transfer station. The nearby beltline along with the major arterial streets would make it easier for staff to commute. It is larger and in much better shape than Hoyt school. Plus it has plenty of parking.**

Thank you  
Mark Vosberg  
141 larkin St





From: John Lynch <jplynch98@gmail.com>  
Sent: Monday, August 30, 2021 7:57 PM  
To: All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
Subject: Input into Capital High School

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Hello,

I am a newcomer to Madison and the Hoyt Park/Sunset Hills neighborhood. It has been distressing to learn about the new proposed location for the consolidated Capital High School. Everything I have heard about the school has been positive, however after doing some research on how the site was chosen the process seems murky. Those presenting the site have sold it with seemingly little consideration for the suitability of the location. After several inquiries I've not been provided an answer as to what other sites were considered. Was there an in depth investigation into the parking, congestion, lack of public transportation, and resulting safety issues that will no doubt ensue? Is there a plan to mitigate these problems when they occur? Or will those making the decisions wash their hands of it? It appears the choice of location has been driven by finding the least expensive and most expeditious option. This is hardly doing service to the students.

Finally, shoehorning a growing high school into a quiet, residential, historic district will ruin the character of a really unique neighborhood and you will never get that back. Those who compare it to West High School make an unfair comparison. West High School was built in the late 1920's and the neighborhood grew up alongside it. Current homeowners purchased homes in that area with full knowledge of West High School.

There are many citizens who live around the new proposed high school who are very concerned. We hope that our concerns are taken into consideration.

Sincerely,

John Lynch

From: jason schulman <elfglow2@yahoo.com>  
Sent: Tuesday, August 31, 2021 6:54 AM  
To: All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
Subject: Hoyt school

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Alders,  
Please don't change Hoyt School into a high school. This is a very quiet lovely neighborhood. The proposed change would add cars, buses going in and out of the area and thus erode the quality of life.  
Best,  
Norm Schulman  
2712 Regent Street



**From:** reporting@cityofmadison.com <reporting@cityofmadison.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 31, 2021 8:41 AM  
**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** [All Alders] Capital High School

**Recipient:** All Alders

**Name:** Peter Gottlieb  
**Address:** 212 Highland Ave, Madison, WI 53705

**Would you like us to contact you?** No, do not contact me

**Message:**

Madison City Alders: I write to support the decision to remodel Hoyt School for use as the site of Capital High School. I live within a few blocks of Hoyt School and regularly walk, drive my car, and ride my bike on the streets surrounding the school. I walk my dog at least once a week through the park that is adjacent to Hoyt School and use the park once or twice a year for recreational or social purposes.

I believe that locating Capital High School at a remodeled Hoyt School is a good and proper use of the building. I do not think that the number of students and staff planned for Capital High School will have a negative impact on the adjacent neighborhoods, the park, or the traffic on the streets leading to the school. Concerning traffic specifically, nearby West High School already brings a good deal of car and school bus traffic to the neighborhood. Over the years I have lived at my current address, commuter traffic through the neighborhood to nearby VA and UW hospitals and to downtown Madison has also grown considerably. The minor volume of additional traffic that results from having Capital High School at the remodeled Hoyt School will not make a significant difference to the current situation. I believe that the Madison Metropolitan School District has made adequate plans for transporting students to and from the school, so as to reduce as much as possible impacts on the surrounding neighborhoods.

Thank you for your support of moving ahead with the plans for Capital High School.

Peter Gottlieb

**From:** Mark Heindl <ucky86@hotmail.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 31, 2021 8:50 AM

**To:** Vidaver, Regina <district5@cityofmadison.com>

**Cc:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>

**Subject:** Re: In Support of the Appeal of the Plan Commission action on the Conditional Use request for 3802 Regent St, Legistar ID 65486.

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Hi Regina,

Thanks for responding to my email in support of the appeal. You indicated that I had received relevant information from MMSD and Metro but the only document I received from you is a PowerPoint presentation of about a dozen pages. Some of those slides reference the larger school referendum but no information is provided as to the site selection process or why the Hoyt School location was deemed the best location to serve the Capital High students. We've been seeking information regarding that item along with any information regarding traffic/parking studies that were undertaken.

To close I would like to reiterate that the consolidation of Capital High School does not need to be a zero-sum game. Thank you again for taking the time to read my response and input to the process.

Sincerely,

Mark Heindl

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**From:** Vidaver, Regina <[district5@cityofmadison.com](mailto:district5@cityofmadison.com)>

**Sent:** Monday, August 30, 2021 10:28 PM

**To:** 'ucky86@hotmail.com' <[ucky86@hotmail.com](mailto:ucky86@hotmail.com)>

**Cc:** All Alders <[allalders@cityofmadison.com](mailto:allalders@cityofmadison.com)>

**Subject:** RE: In Support of the Appeal of the Plan Commission action on the Conditional Use request for 3802 Regent St, Legistar ID 65486.

Hello Mark,

In response to your initial inquiry, I provided you with relevant information from MMSD and Metro, which both keep track of metrics on their operations. As you are relatively new to our neighborhood, I can understand you may not have extensive experience with traffic patterns, bus routes, and parking that occurred before the pandemic. For example, I can assure you, from my own experience as a parent of students that rode Metro buses serving Hamilton Middle School, these buses followed the same route that will be used for Capital High, and the numbers of buses cited are accurate. It is true those buses only passed through the neighborhood, and the buses that bring students to Capital High will

need to linger for probably 30 minutes for disembarking and embarking; this is why a bus platform is required to be built in front of the school to facilitate the efficient transfer of students.

I understand you believe the addition of parked cars and transient buses will negatively impact you. I also continue to believe the interests of the students, which they themselves enumerated -- seeking a consolidated, central location with 21<sup>st</sup> century appointments -- is of the utmost importance and one that our District can provide for the benefit of all of Madison. As an Alder, I serve not just the District, but also the City as a whole. As such, I'm committed to ensuring our students get the educational resources they need and deserve.

Best wishes,  
Regina Vidaver  
District 5 Alder  
City of Madison, Wisconsin

**From:** Mark Heindl <[ucky86@hotmail.com](mailto:ucky86@hotmail.com)>

**Sent:** Monday, August 30, 2021 3:43 PM

**To:** All Alders <[allalders@cityofmadison.com](mailto:allalders@cityofmadison.com)>

**Subject:** In Support of the Appeal of the Plan Commission action on the Conditional Use request for 3802 Regent St, Legistar ID 65486.

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I'm writing this email in support of the Appeal of the Plan Commission action on the Conditional Use request for 3802 Regent St, Legistar ID 65486. I support the concept and operation of Capital High School but feel strongly that the Hoyt School location is inadequate and not in the best interests of the students. It also has a disproportional impact on the households in this quiet, historical, residential neighborhood. The consolidation of Capital High should not be a zero-sum game.

Hoyt School was developed as a neighborhood middle school in the late 1950s and as such has very little off-street parking available. The building was meant as a neighborhood resource such as its current use by MSCR. It's not reasonable to expect that 50+ faculty and staff and 175 to 300+ students can park and/or be bussed to this location safely. I believe that's all been summarized in a letter to the council from the petitioner. But I would add to that by asking a question - why is it deemed acceptable to bus Capital High students great distances to this location? The transportation plan also requires newly created bus routes because the location is so poorly served by public transit, all at a time when bus drivers are in acutely short supply. Surely there are better options that are closer to existing bus routes and the future BRT!

Sadly, I also feel that there is misinformation being propagated regarding the number of cars that are currently parking near the school as well as the number of buses that are currently driving through the neighborhood. I can assure you that I have never seen anywhere near 200

cars parked by Hoyt School. Most days there are barely any parked across the street from the school and at its peak there might be about two dozen. I've also heard said that 7 school buses currently drive through the neighborhood which again I believe is not accurate based upon my experience; I've only ever seen one a day and my house faces Larkin Street. I feel this is an attempt to paint an inaccurate picture of the current parking and traffic situation near the school.

I have reviewed other letters sent to the council in support of the Capital High relocation to Hoyt School but they tend to be in support of Capital High and its students but NOT the actual location. Also, that support is from people who do NOT live near Hoyt School. From the number of people who support the appeal petition and from talking to my neighbors near the school it's clear that the vast majority of those living near the school support the appeal.

Lastly, I would like to say that my husband and I (including others I suspect) have been frustrated by this process because no one will answer our questions regarding the site selection process and whether a traffic and parking study was ever done near Hoyt School. Our alderperson (District #5) stopped responding to my emails after I indicated that I did not support the relocation to Hoyt School.

Thank you in advance for allowing the opportunity for my voice to be heard.

Mark Heindl  
3901 Priscilla Lane

**From:** jody@wisconsinwriter.com <jody@wisconsinwriter.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 31, 2021 9:26 AM  
**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** [All Alders] Hoyt School Building

**Recipient:** All Alders

**Name:** Jody McIntyre  
**Address:** 4610 ELDORADO LN, Madison, Madison, WI 53716  
**Email:** [jody@wisconsinwriter.com](mailto:jody@wisconsinwriter.com)

**Would you like us to contact you?** Yes, by email

**Message:**

Dear Alders,

First of all - thank you for all of the time and effort you put in to serving our citizens every day. You put up with a lot, and we couldn't function without you.

I am asking you to vote in favor of proceeding with putting the Capitol High School, along with the upgrades, in the Hoyt School Building as approved by city voters in the referendum. I know Capitol High Students. They are proud of their work and the feeling of inclusion they get from having this school to support them.

As far as concerns about students with cars and traffic, I think the Regent neighborhood may be surprised at how few students will actually be using a car to get to school.

I appreciate the neighborhood association's call of support for this move. It is equitable, it is fair, and it will allow all Capitol High students one place to call home. I am very happy for our kids to have this spot to call theirs. I hope others in the Regent neighborhood will be excited as well.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Jody McIntyre  
4610 Eldorado Lane  
Madison, WI 53716 District 16

**From:** karl@wisconsinwriter.com <karl@wisconsinwriter.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 31, 2021 9:53 AM  
**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** [All Alders] Hoyt School Property for Capitol City High

**Recipient:** All Alders

**Name:** Karl Kletzien  
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**Phone:** 608-221-3188  
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**Would you like us to contact you?** Yes, by email

**Message:**

Dear Alders.

Squeaky wheels seem to have stopped the Edgewood High School athletic stadium. Please show backbone and don't let them stop the relocation of Capitol City High to the old Hoyt School building. Their arguments are weak at best. They are religious in their NIMBY attitudes.

**From:** kyleandheatherhanson@gmail.com <kyleandheatherhanson@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 31, 2021 10:07 AM  
**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** [All Alders] Agenda Item 5, Capital High move to Hoyt School

**Recipient:** All Alders

**Name:** Heather Hanson  
**Address:** 1833 Helena St, Madison, WI 53704  
**Email:** [kyleandheatherhanson@gmail.com](mailto:kyleandheatherhanson@gmail.com)

**Would you like us to contact you?** No, do not contact me

**Message:**

Dear Alders,

Thank you for your service.

I am asking you to vote in favor of proceeding with putting the Capitol High School, along with the upgrades, in the Hoyt School Building as approved by city voters in the referendum.

Capital High deserves to have their own school building that works for their needs. A strip mall westside location is not an ideal location for a school and having high school students in the same building as young elementary students eastside location also isn't ideal. These students need their own space that works for them and all the Capital High Staff.

Voters approved the money for this in the November 2020 referendum and the neighborhood association voiced their support. I hope you all will vote to keep this move in place as well.

Thank you for your time and attention.  
Heather Hanson

**From:** audrey dybdahl <audyb99@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 31, 2021 11:13 AM  
**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** Hoyt school

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I'm definitely not in favor of having the high school at the former Hoyt school. The area is congested already with limited parking for the current activities which take place there. Increased activity, both from the students as well as teachers/administrators would put too much too stress on access and parking. Please look at another location, with more open space. Audrey Dybdahl



**From:** MICHAEL MADALON <mmadalon@wisc.edu>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 31, 2021 11:48 AM  
**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** Hoyt School conversion

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City of Madison Alders.

My name is Michael Madalon and I live on Regent Street near Hoyt Park. I am opposed to converting Hoyt School to Capital High School.

Madison certainly needs a good school for special needs students, but, in my opinion, Hoyt is not a very good choice. My first reason is related to parking and traffic congestion. There are only 23 parking stalls at present and short of current neighborhood street parking, I'm unaware of more vehicle space. The minimum parking ratio by code is 1 stall per classroom plus 1 for each driving age student. Madison also has a park load standard (code 28.141) which is to "minimize spillover to on-street parking". Clearly staff, visitors, students, and vendor service trucks (e.g. cafeteria supplies) will be challenged for vehicle space. Also, I suspect the congestion at morning and afternoon arrival and departure times will mimic the Madison West High School/ Regent Street slowdown. Large city bus traffic and somewhat narrow residential corners further congest the flow.

My second reason is related to future expansion from the current 175 students to a possible 300 or so. There is little discussion of that and building capacity, not to mention more street parking/traffic stress. Simply increasing the number of students per classroom seems short sighted. Also, I have heard discussions about having Hoyt classrooms being available to West High School students for selected courses. This may also lead to further logistical challenges.

If our neighborhood adds more 2 hour street parking limits and discourages school parking in the Hoyt Park parking lot, vehicle space will be at a greater premium.

Of course, this may read like the usual "not in my backyard" piece, but i think Madison can do better than convert a former neighborhood elementary school to a citywide high school and still have easier access and space for current and future special education needs.

Thanks you for your consideration,

Michael Madalon

**From:** srcafe <srcafe@sbcglobal.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 31, 2021 12:06 PM  
**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** Hoyt School High School

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Having lived for over thirty years one block from Hoyt school I strongly believe that the high school proposal will add too much traffic to an area with very limited access. The school is only accessible from one street. It has has very limited parking which is stressed with the current usage. A High School with staff, faculty and student cars will change the character of our quiet neighborhood dramatically.

Sincerely,  
Mark Paradise  
3910 Priscilla Lane  
53705

From: Judy Middleton <judymiddleton@charter.net>  
Sent: Tuesday, August 31, 2021 4:11 PM  
To: All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
Subject: Capital High at Hoyt School

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Alders, We do not need another High School 4 blocks from West High.  
85% students of color is segregation all over again. I don't think Voters knew what they were voting for with this school.  
This school is not needed.  
Thank you, Judy and Fred Middleton  
3913 Plymouth Cr. Madison

**From:** Boopsie Skepecs <smkepecs@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 31, 2021 5:25 PM  
**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** Hoyt High appeal

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I feel strongly that Hoyt School is not the right place for Central High, although I very much support the program. 300 teens with more cars and bus traffic in our cul-de-sac of a quiet neighborhood is more than the area can support. A building on a more public thoroughfare such as the building Epic owns on Tokay (which used to be a school) would be a much better location. Surely MMSD can find a different place for this wonderful project, where transportation is better, jobs and after-school places to go are nearby, where teens can be teens, and where there will be no disruption in a very quiet neighborhood. I also am upset that our alders and MMSD just put this on us -- I went to the first meeting (before covid) and was shocked that our input was not wanted. We were essentially told this was a done deal. No one who spoke against having Central High at Hoyt was listened to. Madison definitely needs Central High and I am happy to pay taxes to support it but Hoyt is not the right place for it.

Thanks for your attention,  
Susan Kepecs  
3917 Plymouth Circle

**From:** Braden Kerwin <bradenalexis@hotmail.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 31, 2021 6:00 PM

**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>

**Cc:** kimandike@gmail.com; cengelman@wisc.edu; Krystine Brengel <krystine.brengel@gmail.com>; Dan McGarry <danmac118@gmail.com>; rowe.e.phil@gmail.com; No Hoyt High <NoHoytHigh@gmail.com>

**Subject:** Neighborhood Petition re: Hoyt School Development

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We the undersigned are submitting the attached petition to the Common Council August 31, 2021 re: agenda item #5 Hoyt School Property

Sincerely,

Krystine and Taylor Brengel 105 Shepard Terrace  
Kim and Mike Huie 106 Shepard Terrace  
Phil and Jen Rowe 109 Shepard Terrace  
Corinne and Bill Engelman 110 Shepard Terrace  
Braden and Dan McGarry 118 Shepard Terraace

Supporting article:

[https://madison.com/ws/news/local/education/local\\_schools/madison-school-district-facilities-plan-recommends-selling-downtown-administrative-building/article\\_90342192-7bd1-550d-a8ea-ad5a24f8c3f9.html](https://madison.com/ws/news/local/education/local_schools/madison-school-district-facilities-plan-recommends-selling-downtown-administrative-building/article_90342192-7bd1-550d-a8ea-ad5a24f8c3f9.html)



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Petition Word 2.pages

**From:** finkelmeyer@outlook.com <finkelmeyer@outlook.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 1, 2021 6:55 AM  
**To:** All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** [All Alders] Capitol High Move to Hoyt

**Recipient:** All Alders

**Name:** Katy Frey Finkelmeyer  
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**Would you like us to contact you?** Yes, by email

**Message:**

The voters of Madison approved this move with the referendum. Lack of parking is a feeble excuse, disguising as racism- pure and simple. It is always fine when things happen or are placed on the far East/East sides but when it is the near West side - absolutely not! Once again - the near West side rules this city. So much for the "equity" line I always hear from the city council. It's all a farce.