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Dear Mayor and Council,

I write regarding a topic scheduled for discussion at your upcoming meeting, that of the Fordham Sidepath project.

As you know, this bicycle and pedestrian path project is part of the Town's Mobility and Connectivity Plan. It essentially involves two alternatives, one being a direct route along Fordham Blvd. and the other a brief detour along Hickory Drive.

Residents of the adjacent Little Ridgefield neighborhood have strongly opposed the direct route since it included removal of a line of trees that provides substantial buffering of Fordham Blvd. traffic noise. Proposed remediation involves planting small bushes and saplings that would not compensate for the loss of mature trees. Thus the project as originally planned would involve a significant impact on the quality of life and perhaps the property values of the Little Ridgefield neighborhood.

Unfortunately there are also problems with the Hickory Drive alternative. In order to make this route ADA compliant a sidewalk would need to be built. I was told by Town staff that the cost would be several hundred thousand dollars. I have also been told by staff that the external funds available for the Fordham Blvd. path would likely not be available for the Hickory Drive alternative. Thus the Town would need to fund the sidewalk.

However, there may be a viable compromise. I was recently told by staff that it is indeed possible to construct the path on Fordham while preserving most of the tree buffer. I urge Council to adopt this approach. However, I also urge Council not to approve the project until the contractor provides specific plans and guarantees for preservation of the tree buffer. Without specific guidance contractors usually take the path of least resistance, which in this case would mean clear-cutting the tree buffer thus causing irreparable harm to the Little Ridgefield community.

Please note that these comments solely reflect my personal opinion on the matter.

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Mayor Hemminger and Members of Council:

I am writing regarding the Fordham Boulevard sidepath agenda item on the Wednesday, Feb. 26 agenda. There are several key elements that the proposed Fordham Boulevard sidepath must include if it is going to be a safe,

convenient, and efficient facility that serves people of all ages walking and biking and functions as an effective part of the Town's active transportation network.

My primary concern with the sidepath, compared to the off-street alternatives that are also being considered, is the safety of sidepath users at intersections. Fordham Blvd. is a major thoroughfare with a 45 mph speed limit, and the path crosses three intersections where cars are turning off this high-speed road directly across the path of the proposed sidepath. Due to the high speed of traffic, vehicles turning onto Ridgefield or Walnut will continue to be primarily concerned with the risk of a rear-end impact that from trailing cars that don't anticipate they will slow from 50 mph to 15 mph. These drivers will be less concerned with the safety of sidepath users who may not be visible. They currently do and will continue to take the turn off Fordham Blvd. onto the local roads at a higher speed than would be safe for sidepath users who are located so close to the road.

If Town Council decides to move forward with this project, I suggest that the following steps be taken to provide safety for sidepath users and maximize its usability, in comparison to the existing low-stress roadway network in the area. I speak as someone who regularly commutes to work on the Town's existing sidepath that parallels a high-speed roadway, NC 54/Raleigh Road along the frontage of Meadowmont and East 54, and has to frequently contend with the dangerous intersections along that sidepath.

First, the intersections should be protected to eliminate conflicts between cars and the vulnerable sidepath users. Ideally, the intersections at Ridgefield and Walnut will be closed to traffic; the relatively few users of those intersections would be redirected to Willow Drive, another low-traffic road. Second best, the intersections at Ridgefield and Walnut would be reconfigured to only allow traffic to exit the Little Ridgefield neighborhood onto Fordham Blvd. These exists should be configured with a stop sign before the sidepath to require drivers to yield to bicyclists, and a stop sign afterwards with enough space to allow cars to wait for an opening in traffic beyond the sidepath. That eliminates the danger that a driver looking for an opening in oncoming high-speed traffic to their left would not notice a bicyclist traveling south on the sidepath, from the driver's right side.

If the intersections are not closed, and traffic is allowed to continue to turn from Fordham Boulevard onto Ridgefield and Walnut, I strongly urge that the sidepath be located and configured to allow a stop sign to be placed to require cars turning off Fordham Blvd. to stop before crossing the sidepath. Without that protection, cars will be coming at a high speed off the roadway without stopping and potentially without considering the possibility of a sidepath, since this will be the only one of its kind in the town (the others cross signalized intersections only).

Likewise, at Estes Drive Extension, a stop sign should be placed at each side of the path. There is an existing path at that location, and it is difficult to navigate for all users due to the lack of any indication that a sidepath exists.

(I note that the StealthStat data calculates that cars along Ridgefield at Hickory Drive are traveling at 15 mph in both directions. However, that data tells us little about the potential safety of sidepath users. The speeds are measured at Ridgefield and Hickory, 250 feet from the intersection and after cars have had a significant opportunity to slow down. The vehicles that turned off Fordham to head into the neighborhood are traveling at 16 mph after having 250 feet to slow down (some slowing even further to make the turn onto Hickory), and that obviously reflects cars slowing substantially after making the turn. This data is not at all useful for assessing the vulnerability of future sidepath users who will be much closer than 250 feet from Fordham Blvd's travel lanes.)

Second, the northern and southern terminus of the sidepath should be designed to facilitate future extensions, and to allow current sidepath users to access destinations beyond the endpoints in a safe fashion. On the Willow Drive end, the sidepath should include an extension across the pavement, with appropriate markings and signaling, to a bike box that allows bicycles to safely continue west on Willow Drive on the marked county bike

path. This will also facilitate extension of the sidepath along the east side of Fordham Boulevard towards the Elliot Road Extension.

In addition, the current transition from the sidewalk on the west side of Fordham north of Willow Drive should be significantly improved. Due to the signal timing, a pedestrian or bicyclist who wants to cross from the northwest side of the street (towards Elliot Road) to the southeast side of the street (to the existing sidewalk on Willow) following the law needs to wait up to 5 minutes as they typically need to wait for the existing lengthy north-south traffic cycle on Fordham Boulevard to end and the east-west cycles on Willow Drive to end before they receive a brief pedestrian cycle to cross Willow Drive (where cars in the right-hand lane are told to yield, but are expressly allowed to cross the crosswalk that pedestrians have the right to use). Then comes another lengthy wait for the north-south traffic cycle to end. Given the Town's emphasis on encouraging economic development in Blue Hill, it is critical that sidepath users be given convenient access to the area.

On the Cleland Drive end, sidepath users currently need to contend with cars exiting Cleland onto Fordham Boulevard which frequently block the exit. Cars traveling south on Fordham that turn left into Cleland have to shoot what are often very quick gaps in traffic, and they end up crossing the sidepath/Hayes intersection at high speeds. Especially given the work being done at Glen Lennox to provide high-quality bicycle facilities, Hayes Road will be a key connection between the NC 54/East 54/Glen Lennox area and Blue Hill for non-motorized users. The southern end of the sidepath should provide safe access across Cleland for sidepath users. A marked path and stop signs could prove helpful here as well.

Third, as staff is proposing, a maximum amount of buffering should be provided between the sidepath and the roadway. This not only benefits abutting property owners but is also better for sidepath users. Along existing side paths which do not have buffers, such as portions of the NC 54 sidepath, bicycle users traveling in the opposite direction of automobile traffic stare directly into bright automobile headlights which destroys night vision and makes it hard to see obstacles within the path itself.

Fourth, the Town should make clear that the sidepath is open 24 hours per day, not just dusk to dawn like most of the Town's greenways. If the sidepath is going to be a key part of the Town's transportation network and provide non-motorized access that can replace car trips and help us achieve our environmental goals, it needs to be open at all times when people are making trips. Particularly in winter, when the workday for many people ends after sunset, this most certainly includes after dark. Adequate lighting should be provided to ensure the safety of sidepath users, particularly at intersections if they remain open.

Fifth, should the Town require any easements or agreements with NCDOT, it should make clear that electric bikes and other light vehicles such as scooters have the right to use the facility; my understanding is that some of the easements that the Town has on existing greenway trails restrict their use to "non-motorized vehicles."

The Town needs to substantially increase its investment in planning and building transportation facilities that serves people walking and in bicycles, not just people in cars. But it needs to do so in the right way, not just the most convenient way. I hope the Fordham Boulevard sidepath project incorporates these essential features that provide the level of safety and convenience that our residents, employees, and visitors of all ages require. Thank you for your attention.

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Subject: RE: Fordham Sidepath endorsement for either option 1 or 2

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Dear mayor and members of the Town Council. I am writing to send my endorsement of the Fordham Sidepath

I will divide this letter into two reasons why I personally believe why the Town Council should approve the development of the Fordham sidepath, either option 1 or option 2.

(1) Equity for those who have no other option than to walk or bike (but especially walk) along Fordham Blvd. These people's needs should be considered in your decision .

(2) Thoroughly vetted , reviewed and designed by multiple professional engineering firms that specialize in these type of projects. Their designs and plans endorse or specify option 1 or 2 .

Summary:

3 firms. Experts in the field. Tens of thousands of dollars spent by contracting processes, not to mention the town's own professional transportation planning staff, have been involved in this. This is not a half baked plan. This is the result of 8 years of planning and public engagement.

We have an opportunity to do what is right for those who must walk in this corridor. Look at the two photos below. It is time to stop making people who must walk to take circuitous routes when we have the ability, the funding and the will to do otherwise.

Item 1: Equity. If you were to find yourself along Fordham blvd area south of the Eastgate and Rams Plaza areas, especially on Saturdays, and Sundays, you would notice people walking along Fordham with grocery bags. I see this all the time: people walking to and from Food Lion. Even people who live closer to Harris Teeter choose to shop at Food Lion. Their path is extremely dangerous, and also already contains some long diversions they must navigate that were made for the convenience of drivers.

I am attaching two photographs. The first shows the diverted path people are expected to walk to continue along Fordham, and the second one is what we call "goat paths" or "desire lines", the path they are actually taking. There is no crosswalk at Elliot Road and Fordham, but pedestrians cross there anyway. They are taking the shortest way, which is especially important on hot days. Look at the detour. Why have we made pedestrian infrastructure like this? Why do we make the vulnerable and the less advantaged take the longest paths? Admittedly, in this case, this was likely a DOT (and not a town) design. However, we need to stop making infrastructure choices that result in people walking longer paths and detours. Options 3 and 4 on the sidepath are detours.

Item 2: Professional design and extensive public input and review

I am not a highway or traffic safety engineer. And, while I and our organization, BACH advocate for facilities, we do not design them. We have provided a lot of feedback, and done a lot of work to get and improve public engagement when the town has developed bike plans.

In 2013, we rode with the planners and engineers of Toole design corp, a firm the town contacted with, to help them see the current conditions from the cyclists' view. Further to this point, since 2013, the town has paid tens of thousands of dollars to contract with experts and professional firms, to help craft short term and long term bike plans, and assess and evaluate current conditions and suggest changes.

In other words, this side path, and many other projects pending, have evolved over 8 years, and were crafted with the aid of firms the town itself considered competent enough to invest large sums of money to write contracts for services. Here is a summary:

In 2013, the town contracted The Toole Design group to develop a bike plan. Toole design is a national award winning firm, perhaps most notable locally for the work they have done in building an incredible bike network in Washington, DC. Have you ever seen the bikeway on Pennsylvania ave? that was done by Toole. In 2014 the Chapel Hill town council accepted , and approved the bike plan developed by Toole and a large list of local stakeholders

In 2016, the town contracted with Stewart Engineering, another award winning firm, to create the Mobility and Connectivity plan. In this plan, the long term and short term projects were created by Stewart, using public input from multiple meetings and on the road assessments of current conditions. Priorities were collected from the public and recommendations were made. It was in this plan is where the sidepath was indicated.

During the public engagement process, Stewart received a lot of feedback in the form of public demand for bicycle and pedestrian facilities and improvements. There were 532 comments from the town survey requesting improvements in several areas, including crosswalks, bike paths, and connectivity between neighborhoods. The most commented section in the plan was US 15-501 (pages 29 through 33) .

Stewart's summarized the public input, noting that: "Chapel Hill residents have a desire for expanding local greenways into a network and making regional connections."

The town received and adopted the mobility plan in 2017, after a lengthy and vigorous public meeting process. The sidepath is referenced in page 52 of the mobility and connectivity plan.

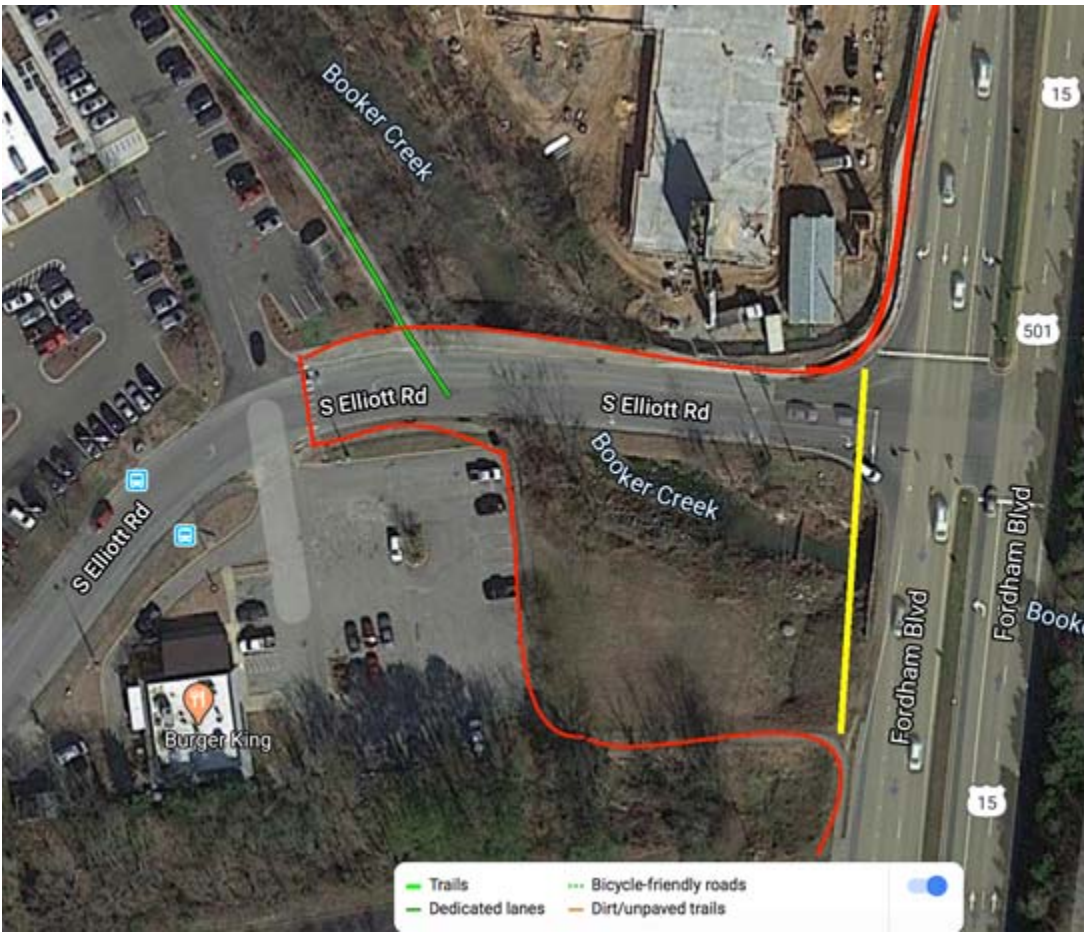
Currently, the town has contracted with Kimley-Horne, another award winning engineering and planning firm, to develop the specific plans for the sidepath.

As you can see, the town has expended both a lot of time and effort, and engaged in multiple outside experts to develop the sidepath. I urge you to consider these points in your decision.

Thank you
John Rees
Chapel Hill

Attached images

First image. The red line shows a sidewalk that people walking along the west side of Fordham are expected to take to continue walking along Fordham . The yellow line shows the path many take instead



Second image. This photo is of the ‘goat path’ or “desire line” people are actually taking to walk along Fordham. Look how close it is to the road. This is at the spot where the sidewalk takes it’s route away from Fordham and does a very large detour. This is not a temporary detour. This was deliberately designed this way



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Subject: RE: Importance of Fordham Sidepath

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Dear Mayor and Council,

Thank you, the staff, and Boards for their work evaluating the Fordham Sidepath. In the words of my eight-year-old third grader at Glenwood, "we need this bike path!" We are lifelong residents of Glen Lennox, and

while we are very fortunate for a green and walkable community, it is still very difficult to get by bike or foot around town as a family. We frequently bike to the grocery stores and the Community Center, but this requires complex crossings and sidewalks, especially with our five year old as she learns to bike. With the growth of eastern Chapel Hill, in our neighborhood of Glen Lennox especially, and with Blue Hill and further along Fordham Boulevard.

Thank you for your support of this important project, and increasing and connecting off-road bike/pedestrian infrastructure in Chapel Hill.

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Dear Mayor and Town Council,

I cannot be at your meeting tomorrow night, but I wanted to share my thoughts about the Fordham sidepath you will be discussing. My thoughts come as one who mostly bikes for transportation followed in order by transit use, walking, and cars. I am also a decades-long advocate for safer roads for people who bike and walk. I am

currently on the Board of BikeWalkNC, BikeCarrboro, and the Orange Unified Transportation Board, but my comments here are my own.

One thing that is very clear is that over the past few years: the make-up of Fordham Boulevard has changed tremendously (and is continuing to change). There are hundreds more residents along this route than there have ever been. Regardless of what you decide tonight, It is obvious that this road and how it accommodates road users must be revised to allow for and encourage more bicycle and pedestrian travel. It is my opinion, from all of the research I have studied over the years, that first and foremost the speed limit must be lowered on the stretch between Estes Drive and Eastgate. This road is no longer a connecting bypass, it is a thriving business and residential area, and the speed should reflect that. The likelihood of a pedestrian surviving a crash at 25 mph is above 90%. The likelihood of that same person surviving a crash at 30 mph goes down to about 60%, and at 40 mph it drops dramatically to 20%. The current speed limit on that section of Fordham is 45 mph. Second, the intersections along this stretch need to be redesigned for safer and more convenient pedestrian and bicyclist access. There need to be better refuge islands, better crosswalks, and redesigned corners to slow down turning traffic.

The current mobility plan for Chapel Hill shows excellent connectivity. The heavily used Bolin Creek Trail has a future connection to the Fordham sidepath being discussed tonight. That's great, although to be honest, a safe bike connection could easily be made now with a nice protected bike lane along either side of Estes Drive and with improved crossings at Fordham and at the Community Center. And extending the sidewalk to Fordham would make the path ADA compliant as well.

At first glance, changing the current design for the Fordham sidepath to a detour through Hickory and Ridgefield streets might seem to offer the same benefits that a protected bike lane on Estes would provide as a lower cost alternate to the proposed side path/ greenway. However, in the case of the Fordham sidepath, you are moving the route AWAY from the destinations instead of keeping it closer to them. If the path is re-routed through the neighborhood, people on bikes *might* be willing to follow it, but people walking will not go out of their way to follow a suggested route that is less direct to where they are going, and will continue their walk on Fordham, putting them at greater risks. For this reason especially, I would favor the 1/2 option. When planners do not give logical, safe choices, the user will risk safety for convenience. Another benefit will be the much needed upgrade of the existing section of the sidepath. The existing path is narrow and bumpy, almost to the point of being unusable.

And that brings me to my last point. As we face the throes of climate change, cars are at the top of the list in GHG. Even if all of the gas cars are replaced with electric vehicles, there will still be congestion and the need for more pavement, leading to more heat, flooding, etc. A connected, direct bike and walking path will encourage more riders and walkers, and eventually that is what this will be. The section of the Fordham sidepath that is being discussed is small, but it is part of a larger network, each piece of which is going to have challenges and arguments against implementation. The precedent you set here will set the course for the rest of this project. In the end, the goal should be not just to accommodate people walking and biking, but to make those options more attractive than driving.

Whatever you decide, I hope that it is just the beginning of a serious look at a renovation of that section of Fordham to make it a place that invites and encourages walking and riding as transportation choices. Thank you for all you do.

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Dear Mayor and Council Members.

I have much background on projects like this, with their complications: (1) I have been part of advocating and/or stewarding bike-ped projects for over 26 years, and did so for 16 years on Council and at on the MPO Board. So I have some definite opinions on cost issues. (2) On "noise pollution" — besides my academic and professional background working along major roads, I am one of the few remaining (alive and/or in the area) members of the only Noise Committee the Town ever convened, in the 1996-99 period, so I have an informed opinion of the consultant's analysis. (3) And, finally, on neighborhood impacts, I have been driving my bike (and sometimes car) through the Little Ridgefield neighborhood since around 2000, because it gives the shortest route to/from Glen Lennox, where the church I attend is located.

(1) Based on that experience, I am in complete opposition to installing any additional infrastructure(beyond signage) at all in the Little Ridgefield neighborhood. (Options 3 and 4).

(a) Installing any length at all of "concrete multiuse path along Ridgefield Road between Fordham Boulevard and Hickory Drive to allow a safe transition from the existing sidepath on Fordham Boulevard to Hickory Drive" would accomplish little if anything in terms of additional safety." Such a path could be highly disruptive to the existing residences, and could actually create an unsafe transition from from the new path to street. This is based on the experience having taken that turn thousands of times.

(b) Installing any length of sidewalk ("1700 feet" !) in this low-traffic neighborhood, besides the disruption to existing homes, would qualify as an insult to all of us in the community who have been waiting for many, many years for sidewalks and bikespace on state roads with many times the traffic experienced in LR. My particular project of interest is the long-delayed Ephesus Church Road bike-ped project, first proposed in a regional bike plan in 1992, and first listed as a sidewalk project by Council in January 2007. With the delay on that one that Bergen mentioned in the October work session, this badly needed project may get build in 2022. In the meantime, it remains a sharply-curving 22-foot wide rural road which receives ever more traffic from urban development. That one is supposed to be funded by bond money which no longer exists.

(2) Funding at major risk: The most important statement of all in Bergen's staff report: "Federal funding may be lost if the project is not completed as originally scoped. At a minimum the Town would have to renegotiate the municipal agreement and return some funding if the project scope is reduced. It is unlikely that federal funding would be approved for the sidewalk portion." In some 18 years of observing and working with Town Managers, I have never seen one the slightly bit happy about returning funds that the Town had already received. Transportation grants such as the one for this project are won through highly-competitive processes which require much staff time.

The concluding section of the memo states: "What we do know is that if we want to change the scope of the project we will need NCDOT approval. Experience with NCDOT funding in the past leads us to believe that they would not be

inclined to fund the shared street or the sidewalk along Hickory Drive (Options 3 & 4). We have submitted sidewalk projects on Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, Seawell School Road, and Homestead Road to the NCDOT prioritization process in the past and they have not received funding... It is important to note that the Town has only \$211,600 available in bond funds and does not have excess funding to cover construction costs for non-NCDOT approved project elements. “

Improvement of the makeshift greenway between Cleland and Ridgefield Roads is essential, and no one opposes. It's almost unusable, and has been that way for 20 years. Those of us who use it do so in part because it's scenic.

(3)“Noise pollution”– the consultant’s statement matches exactly what I learned on the Noise Ordinance Committee from our consultants: “ According to the Federal Highway Administration, vegetation is only able to decrease traffic noise if it is dense enough, long enough, and tall enough that it cannot be seen through. The existing vegetative buffer along Fordham Boulevard in this location is approximately 35 feet wide and in several locations it is possible to see the private fences along the right-of-way. This indicates that the vegetation does not currently have an impact on the noise.” What I vividly recall is our consultant estimating that the vegetative equivalent to a noise wall would need to be a planting of about 500 feet of solid evergreen vegetation approaching 10 feet in height. A designed noise barrier would be far more efficient in terms of cost and space.

As the Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem would understand from their experience on the MPO Board: In most places in the state, the opposition here would be to the addition of 5th and 6th lanes to Fordham Boulevard. That may yet happen, given the repeated recommendation from NCDOT. In the meantime, we are all fortunate that this sidepath could be the only DOT-funded facility at issue here.

Thanks for your service,

Ed Harrison

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Amy Harvey

From: John Rees <jreesnc@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 24, 2020 8:16 AM
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Subject: Petition signatures and comments endorsing the Fordham Sidepath
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Good morning. I am attaching the signatures and comments from the petition we produced in favor of the Fordham Sidepath. The text of the petition and the signatures are attached.

Thank you
John Rees

Text of petition:

A neighborhood is trying to block a proposed sidepath along Fordham Boulevard for walkers, bicyclists, and runners

The sidepath would provide a path separated from traffic for walkers, bicyclists and runners, similar to the sidepaths by Meadowmont and The Friday Center along N.C. 54, improving safety and connectivity in accordance with the Town's formal Mobility and Connectivity Plan.

The town would receive about \$800,000 in Federal funds towards a million dollar budget to complete the project.

The opposition puts this funding in jeopardy. Cancelling this project could eliminate not only the new sidepath section, but also the direly-needed reconstruction of a very bumpy AND CRACKED section of existing sidepath Along Fordham to the South.

The neighborhood proposes a detour that uses the existing street network using "shared streets" for cyclists , walkers and runners, instead of a direct route north along Fordham.

In opposing the sidepath, the neighbors cite a removal of a vegetative buffer between their homes and Forhdam, and also cite unproven safety concerns that have actually been contradicted by a Chapel Hill Police traffic study.

The town has proposed an alternative buffer to minimize noise concerns and logic dictates the danger of bicycles and pedestrians sharing neighborhood streets outweighs concerns about safety along the separated path .

In October of 2017, the town council adopted the Mobility and Connectivity Plan, in the best interest of all residents of Chapel Hill, as well as visitors to our Town.

If the town deviates from its plan in this case, other parts of the Mobility Plan will be vulnerable to change based on this single case.

The vision of a complete and consistent network for walker and bicyclists throughout chapel hill depends on sticking to a comprehensive plan .

If you support the proposed side path please endorse

Further reading:

change.org

Recipient: Chapel Hill Town Council

Letter: Greetings,

Please endorse the Town of Chapel Hill Fordham Blvd sidepath project

Signatures

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Eli Simaan	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-09

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Thomas Rickrtts	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-09
Afifa Afifi	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-09
Joe Cseh	New York, NY	2020-01-10
henry verhoeven	Chapel Hill, US	2020-01-10
Hester Lipscomb	Carrboro, NC	2020-01-10
James Corrigan	Morrisville, NC	2020-01-10
William Noland	Hillsborough, NC	2020-01-10
Charles Webb	Carrboro, NC	2020-01-10
Maria DeGuzman	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-10
H Dellon	Chapel Hill, US	2020-01-10
Hannah Byrum	Hillsborough, NC	2020-01-10
martin feinstein	chapel hill, NC	2020-01-10
Miles Prenda	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-10
jason sonnenschein	Durham, NC	2020-01-10
Stephanie Rogers	Hillsborough, NC	2020-01-10
Peter LaPlaca	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-11
Theresa Becker	Pittsboro, NC	2020-01-11
Steve Thornburg May	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-11
Katharine Kollins	Durham, NC	2020-01-11
Tara Gallien	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-11
Neal McCall	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-11
Katherine Pinard	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-11

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Aveeda Robinson	Gulfport, MS	2020-01-11
Daniel Hill	Raleigh, NC	2020-01-11
Lesley North	St Albans, UK	2020-01-11
Molly Bruce	Durham, NC	2020-01-11
Henry Gargan	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-11
STANLEY ROBBOY	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-12
Logan Crter	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-12
Mark Heizer	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-12
DEBORAH MCFARLANE	CHAPEL HILL, NC	2020-01-12
Matthew Scott Myers	Durham, NC	2020-01-12
Hugh Cayless	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-12
Dana Acciavatti	Durham, NC	2020-01-12
Margaret Hassell	Greensboro, NC	2020-01-12
James Carnahan	Carrboro, NC	2020-01-12
Bradley Allf	Carrboro, NC	2020-01-12
Jennifer Pata	Chapel Hill, US	2020-01-12
Donna Trussell	Lakeview, US	2020-01-12
Abigail McCormick	Branson, US	2020-01-12
Sarah Palestine	Durham, NC	2020-01-13
Ariana Canez	Tucson, US	2020-01-13
Jessica Sloan	Marion, IN	2020-01-13
Leah Sweatt	Concord, NC	2020-01-13

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Cristalla Simmons	Freehold, US	2020-01-13
Versailles Gonzalez	US	2020-01-13
Jeff Mecham	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-13
mike miles	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-13
Kathleen Parker	Los Angeles, US	2020-01-13
Marina Frei-Brossi	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-14
Sarah Graham	Bunnlevel, NC	2020-01-14
Cindy Gilmore	Bushkill, PA	2020-01-14
Thomas Howell	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-14
Morgan Tirabasso	Bardstown, US	2020-01-14
Melinda Wyant Jansen	Milwaukee, US	2020-01-15
Manley Carswell	Morganton, US	2020-01-15
Grant Bush	Durham, US	2020-01-15
Millenia Wade	Columbia, US	2020-01-15
Andre Becerra	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-15
Martin Johnson	US	2020-01-16
Ann Hirst	Milwaukee, US	2020-01-17
David Tucker	Durham, NC	2020-01-17
Rebecca Mormino	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-17
May Ming	Pooler, GA	2020-01-18
Ken Hibbard	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-18
Jessica Sandford	Durham, NC	2020-01-18

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Tanya Jisa	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-18
Crystal Dreisbach	Durham, NC	2020-01-18
John May	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-20
David Berry	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-20
Mitch Larriva	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-21
Allen Sellars	Carrboro, NC	2020-01-21
Elizabeth Strong	Chapel hill, NC	2020-01-22
Roxanne Goodin	Apex, US	2020-01-22
Joyce Kulpinski	Raleigh, NC	2020-01-22
Patricia Heidinger	Mebane, NC	2020-01-22
Russell Mitchell	Houston, TX	2020-01-22
Christopher Paul	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-22
Veronica De Bartolo	Argentina	2020-01-22
Alexandra Torres	Memphis, MI	2020-01-22
Simon Davis	Durham, NC	2020-01-27
Tim Maurer	Anaheim, US	2020-01-27
brendan doss	chapel hill, NC	2020-01-28
Dennis Wolfe	Annandale, US	2020-01-30
Michael Nenon	Charlotte, NC	2020-02-03
Hannah Jones	Fayetteville, NC	2020-02-04
Francine Walker	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-02-04
Paul Killough	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-02-07

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Bryanna Vacca	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-02-10
Tiara Dorsette	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-02-10
Jessica Wenzelmann	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-02-11
Andy Olson	Pittsboro, NC	2020-02-14
Gina Ewy	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-02-16
John Thompson	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-02-17
Stephen Whitlow	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-02-22
Mychal Weinert	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-02-22

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Letter: Greetings,

Please endorse the Town of Chapel Hill Fordham Blvd sidepath project

Comments

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Paul Neebe	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-03	"Town has offered to build a buffer fence for neighbors. This path will make walking and biking safer for all"
Lee Tobin	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-03	"I will bicycle commute on this side path when construction is completed. 📍📍 #"
alice neebe	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-03	"we certainly need to make room for walkers (safely) and bicycle riders. There is just too much polution and lack of exercise We need to address this issue ASAP"
Dave Connelly	Durham, NC	2020-01-04	"When I was working in Chapel Hill, I'd have loved this opportunity to avoid sharing 15-501 with all those cars."
Heidi Perry	Carrboro, NC	2020-01-04	"I feel that if Chapel Hill wants to increase the mode share by bike, it needs to make biking and walking paths as connected and direct as possible. I do understand the concerns of the neighbors, and I think a built buffer must be included in the plan that will protect the neighborhood while reducing the number of car trips along this section by making bike travel more attractive. Fordham Boulevard is a much different area than it was a decade ago. The construction of hundreds of residences in buildings along this corridor should trigger a reevaluation of everything about this road, including bicycle access, pedestrian safety and walkability, improved intersections, and lower speed limits."
Cynthia Shimer	Durham, NC	2020-01-04	"I am a cyclist"
Henry Copeland	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-04	"More options for walking and bikes ... good for health, the environment and social equity!"
Robert Schantz	Carrboro, NC	2020-01-04	"I believe the sidepath idea will provide great benefit to area cyclists at a minimal level of disruption to the neighborhoods. Using the sidepath, for which funding is available, would be safer for cyclists and for drivers alike."
Barbara Keyworth	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-04	"As a walker and cyclists, I have to take a very convoluted route to get to the community center and on around town. I sometimes bike down so columbia street and it is not something most people will do, especially with children. To seriously decrease car use, protect the climate, we need paths that are divided from cars, otherwise, people will not use them. Thousands of people are already walking and biking on the greenways for fun and to get to work and school. The counters reveal a few thousand all over town. With the new electric assist bikes, people will be able to manage the hills. We need to vopy what other cities are doing to solve traffic. Why only add buses when people are willing to bike and walk? https://www.forbes.com/sites/jeffmcmahon/2019/12/28/how-bike-lanes-are-tran#66e3ed6df620 "

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Melissa McCullough	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-05	"I ride this section often. Having a connected path is more followable, safer, and the existing part desperately needs the repair!"
Jules van Kempen	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-05	"I bike here regularly and a bike path would make it much safer to ride across town."
Heidi Westrick	US	2020-01-05	"This goes out to Aaron Westrick!"
Linda Charles	Charlottesville, VA	2020-01-05	"Bicycle safety in Chapel Hill is a big concern of mine. We need safer thoroughfares to shopping and other parts of town."
Michael Love	Ellijay, GA	2020-01-05	"For the public benefit of separating bicycles and cars."
Sharon Roggenbuck	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-06	"We need more bikeways on busy streets."
Donna Kahwati	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-06	"People need safe areas for recreation"
Lauren Johnson	US	2020-01-07	"I am a commuter biker and do all my shopping/errands by bike. I want to be able to bike safely and encourage others to enjoy safe biking in our beautiful community!"
Lauren Johnson	US	2020-01-07	"I love to bike and I know you do too!"
Laurel Lussen	Bellingham, WA	2020-01-07	"I believe we need to think less about gas as the major power for transport. We have made ourselves fat and stupid about our life choices. Walk! Ride a bike!"
Joan Ribbons	Pine Grove Mills, PA	2020-01-08	"I believe in separate, safe, dedicated bike paths."
Laurel Wilkinson	chapel hill, NC	2020-01-08	"Yes"
John May	Chapel Hill, NC	2020-01-20	"We need more alternative, non fossil fuel based transportation routes!"