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**To:** Aaron Panko  
**Subject:** Meyers property on hillficker

Hello, my name is Eric Conzoner I live at 4548 anneka lp since 1986.

. hillficker commercial st intersection is way dangerous now..the intersection traffic from wall greens and trader Joe's is so heavy that you are likely going to sit thru two lights traveling east and west across commercial..

The new building proposal will make getting onto or across commercial even more dangerous and congested... there is no room to enlarge lanes on hillficker on commercial. A thru street to battle creek will invite even more traffic. I can't imagine having an extra two hundred cars in the neighborhood. It will shoot traffic thru other side roads that do not have sidewalks and poor viability. The added summer traffic from the Bethany Baptist church's is heavy...

The intersection will be ridiculously dangers and inconvenient.

At one time pushing a major rd from Bartle creek to hillficker/ commercial made sense. But the city has grown and today would make the blind corner on battlecreek a very dangerous intersection as well as hillficker and commercial..

A better solution would to have bigger lots and no thru street from hillficker to battlecreek...

Battle creek is getting congested at kuebler south, with cars backed up to Reed rd..

Traffic will get even worse with new neighborhoods going in on Reed rd as the additions to the apartments.. this is going to push more traffic thru the Battlecreek to hillficker/ commercial st..

As it is now the traffic is so heavy on Crowley we can not turn south so Hillficker is our only safe travel..

Also this will bring crime to the neighborhood. Cross streets from Battlecreek to commercial and commercial to Sunnyside are highly traveled grids and theft is rapid. Creating another connected grid.

I know house are better than Apts. But the thru traffic is not ok! The hillficker commercial intersection needs to widened...

I would also request that the new developments rd not connect with chapel. Wildridge is not a thru way! Crowley is not suitable to handle traffic and will only have extra traffic racing around the loop looking for a thru way. Please keep hillficker a dead-end from twelfth east. 12th st is narrow and dangerous. 12th and hillficker is also spoty..

Bottom line the neighborhood needs massive traffic upgrades and was never set up to handle the traffic flow..

I saw the traffic counter on a very slow evening.. I hope there was more than one counting at different times to better represent traffic..

In addition the new housing development on Reed rd and new apartments on Reed rd that are going up this fall and next summer are going to add to hillficker traffic as well as Costco.. with trader joes at hillficker the traffic will be ridiculous and the hillficker commercial intersection will be very dangerous and congested in all direction.

I purpose and exit on 12th to b the north and one on hillrose to discourage thru traffic.

Your options would be four lane roads on Reed/ battle creek/ twelfth street and improve liberty

When you stack cars on main arterial roads. Neighborhoods become un expecting thruways...

Jabbing lived here since 71 I know all the back roads but so does everyone else..

Please be mindful of growing traffic. The Myers development of every home has just two cars will add another 300 cars using our main entrance and exit. You punch hillficker to battlecreek your going to double The numbers.. the intersection can't handle the volume.. it will back up commercial/ make travel from Sunnyside/ hillficker to the intersection impossible and there is bit enough property to expand hillficker in the west side of commercial. Even if you could make a three lane at east side of hillficker commercial the traffic light would have to alternate from Sunnyside traffic entering the intersection and then the hillficker from the Myers side of the intersection and then commercial st which is bumper to bumper..

Costco and the building sites I listed will make battlecreek bumper to bumper as well you kuebler and surrounding neighborhoods making them unsafe and changing their landscape..

It's my strong belief that hillficker as a thru street is an outdated idea from two decades ago. We talky need to think about exsisting arterial roads and enhancing them first.

You jabs a very full plate in regards to traffic in south Salem and it's rapid growth. Again be mindful of neighborhood and dangerous traffic.. I believe a hillficker thru street is dangerous and won't produce the desired affect. And let's not forget foot traffic at the intersection of commercial and hillficker its a major confluence of neighborhoods and has a large number of pedestrians. And if the homeless get pushed out of downtown and come back out South that was a major congregating area as they moved thru south salem.

Thank you for your time.

Eric