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Subject: May 30, 2018 CTAC Meeting

Ms. Julber,

By way of introduction, my name is Richard Gilbert. I'm a board member of the Summit West Neighborhood Association and also Chair and Project Coordinator of Walkable NWX, a Northwest Crossing neighborhood group advocating for the implementation of mitigation measures to address traffic safety impacts in NWX. (Walkable NWX is an affiliate of the SWNA.) Within this context, I provided public comments at the May 30, 2018 CTAC meeting.

The purpose of this email is to summarize the concerns that the members of Walkable NWX—and many other neighbors—have about pedestrian safety and attendant quality of life issues. These concerns are allied to CTAC goals, namely, ensuring safety for all users. In this setting, it is requested that the following comments be incorporated into CTAC's public record and that they provide a platform for future discussions regarding the implementation of mitigation measures to address public safety along NWX roadways.

CONCERNS:

Public safety is a critical issue: 1) along Northwest Crossing Drive, from the NW Lehmi Pass Dr. roundabout to the Compass Park roundabout and 2) along Mt. Washington Boulevard, from the NW Skyliners Rd. roundabout to the NW Shevlin Park Rd. roundabout.

PROBLEMS:

—Motorists and trucks traveling at dangerous speeds above the posted speed limits, especially along Northwest Crossing Drive, from NW Dorion Way east and downslope to the NW Lehmi Pass Dr. roundabout —All groups use the above roadway corridors, including families with children, senior citizens, and cyclists —Northwest Crossing Drive serves as a “residential street” and school-age children, walking home from High Lakes Elementary School, must cross this road —Lives are at risk and motor vehicle traffic fatalities and injuries are imminent

SOLUTIONS:

—Install 4-way stop sign intersections along Northwest Crossing Drive, at the intersections with NW High Lakes Loop and NW Dorion Way (this issue is important due to the downslope gradient of this road, which provides a platform for many motorists traveling easterly at high rates of speed) —Install travel-calming measures, such as speed cushions, along Northwest Crossing Drive (e.g., at the intersection with NW Frazer Ln.) —Install pedestrian-activated crosswalks along Mt. Washington Boulevard —Provide ongoing, increased police enforcement

Thank you for the opportunity to comment about traffic safety issues within Northwest Crossing. This issue is very important to the residents of the area, and members of Walkable NWX look forward to working with CTAC members to formulate solutions to ensure the safety of all users. If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Richard Gilbert