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To: Planning
Subject: CIP TR-OT-16-01 & TR-OT-0109

Dear Planning Commission:

CIP TR-OT-16-01 (Near Term 7th St Transportation Improvements) is earmarked in 2018 for only \$200K. This appears to be the IMMEDIATE fixes we requested from the City (reduced speed limit signage, ped crossings, and restripe narrower lanes). Four years is too long to wait to implement these important, NEAR-TERM changes on our street. Please consider in the FY15/16 budget.

Additionally, I see item TR-OT-0109 ""Seventh Street Signal Interconnect." \$600,000. Though I am unfortunately not fully informed on the matter, I assume that this is the networking of the traffic lights on 7th for better traffic "flow." While traffic lights timed to a certain speed limit can control speed on a corridor, this seems an improper corridor for this use given the lack of traffic lights and (what should be) lower travel speeds. For too long 7th St. has been christened by the city as an official cut-through street. This is a 100% residential street. On the entirety of 7th St. there are no McDonalds, no banks, no corner stores or retail establishments of any kind--only homes, parks, schools, and one church.

It seems this interconnect funding might be better used to improve traffic flow on the main *business* routes of Main St. and Stadium Blvd. rather to continue to encourage the use of 7th St. as a cut-through for non-residents. If we are spending \$600,000 for traffic control on 7th St., please provide engineering that provides for high volume, *low speed* traffic. This is a neighborhood and it would be appreciated if the city saw it as such.

Sincerely,
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