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Mayor Brian Treece  
Councilperson Ruffin  
Councilperson Trapp  
Councilperson Skala  
Councilperson Thomas  
Councilperson Nausier  
Councilperson Peters

RE: Roundabout at Fairview and Chapel Hill

Dear Mayor and Council:

I am writing to express my support for the roundabout project at Fairview and Chapel Hill. I believe there are many sound reasons to support this project, including:

- As an infrequent user, I am most concerned about the drivers that do not travel this area everyday when they are caught by surprise at the stopped traffic travelling west on Chapel Hill before the entrance to Twin Lakes. On rainy days, this unexpected line of traffic is even more dangerous and can contribute rear-end collisions or "near miss" vehicle mishaps.
- The project was a promised project on the City's last capital improvement sales tax renewal in August, 2015, and keeping promised projects is how local government maintains credibility with voters.
- Roundabouts allow traffic and pedestrians to move more efficiently and safely through intersections, as documented by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (<http://www.iihs.org/iihs/topics/t/roundabouts/topicoverview>).
- Roundabouts do not require stop-and-go traffic, and as such are "greener" alternatives to stop signs or traffic signals.
- Roundabouts do not require the expenditure of public funds for electricity and ongoing maintenance costs associated with intersections controlled with stop lights.

I hope the City will move forward with this important transportation network improvement, and I wanted to express my strong support for this roundabout. Thank you for your consideration and for your service.

Respectfully requested,

Karen M. Miller  
District I Commissioner