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Date: March 30, 2024

Subject: Recommended Additions to Sidewalk Master Plan

Dear Mayor Buffaloe and City Council Members:

This letter is to accompany the recommendation for additions to the City's Sidewalk Master Plan.

The requested sidewalk additions include four segments related to the Improve I-70 project. The selected design build team is proposing changes to the road layout in several locations that are not directly adjacent to the Interstate 70/Highway 63 Connector. We feel that now is the best – and maybe the only - opportunity to establish vital connections for pedestrians in this area. The requested Sidewalk Master Plan additions thus include:

- 1. Fill the sidewalk gap on north side of Clark Lane, east of the Connector, to the planned roundabout on Clark Lane and planned underpass from Hanover Boulevard to Interstate 70 Drive SE.
- 2. Fill the sidewalk gap on the south side of East Business Loop 70 near the planned roundabout and distributor collector for eastbound I-70.
- 3. Fill the sidewalk gap on the north side of Clark Lane, west of the Connector, near the planned roundabout by Lambeth Drive and the future Hinkson Creek Trail connection.
- 4. Add a sidewalk on the east side of the 63 Connector across I-70 from Clark Lane to I-70 Drive SE.

We had a citizen request for the addition of the sidewalk along Mills Drive. The requester attended the Commission meeting to describe the existing hazardous conditions in person.

We appreciate your consideration of the listed additions to the Sidewalk Master Plan. Do not hesitate to contact the Commission with any requests for additional information.

Sincerely,

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ELKE BOYD, CHAIR CITY OF COLUMBIA BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN COMMISSION

C: Mitch Skov, Senior City Planner