From: Heidi West
To: Renee Valley; Grp. City Council and City Web Site
Subject: Re: Scott Street Housing Project
Date: Tuesday, February 9, 2021 4:53:17 PM

Hi Renee,

your comment is very much appreciated and City Council, City Administration and Staff, and the Missoula Redevelopment Agency are all very aware of the traffic issues that are already experienced by people in the neighborhood as well as the additional pressure that the multiple large scale private and private/public development projects will bring to the existing infrastructure. The railroad corridor, Turner Street, Scott Street, and Phillips are all priority areas that receive evaluation and discussion regularly. There is a commitment to invest resources to mitigate the effects of additional traffic.

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February 4, 2021

RE: Scott Street Housing Project

Hello,

I'm all for affordable housing, as I live in the neighborhood two blocks east of Scott Street, but my main concern about the Scott Street housing project is the added traffic onto Scott Street which already has seen so much more traffic in recent years. The intersection of Scott and Phillips Streets is already a problem at certain hours of the day, and Lowell School is right there also. I'm also concerned about the added traffic to the traffic circle at Scott, Spruce and Toole.

The Westside is a walkable neighborhood–even with the lack of sidewalks–and I worry about the safety of pedestrians and especially school children who need to cross the streets, Scott and Phillips. I hope a traffic study has been done or will be done to look into the issues.

And while I'm on it, I'm also concerned about how backed up to the interstate this project is. With only Scott Street as a direct way for traffic, I worry about the added traffic to Rodgers Street and Raser Drive, historically industrial roads with semis and with a series of twists and turns on the way toward North Reserve Street and the interstate. The only other "escape" route is a circuitous drive through the Northside neighborhood to get to Orange Street.

Just mitigating added traffic to the streets will be a Herculean task.

Sincerely,

Renee Valley
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