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Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 4:51 PM
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From: Amy B. [mailto:amybergman1021@gmail.com]
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To: David De Angelis <ddeangelis@elmgrovewi.org>
Subject: Safe Pedestrian Pathways

Mr. Deangelis:

I understand there will be a discussion regarding safe pedestrian pathways at this evening's board meeting.

My name is Amy Bergman, and my husband, Erik, and I have lived on the corner of Highland Drive and Jolenta Lane since 2007. Jolenta Lane is a cul-de-sac.

Over the years, we have been disgusted by the lack of progress on walking paths in this community, and we just commented recently that we would never see another path built while we are living here.

We see so much progress in Brookfield, and Wauwatosa, and we just don't understand why Elm Grove can't make the pathways a priority.

The railroad track is in our backyard, and we see people/kids walking from the West side to the East side of Elm Grove along the track because it is literally safer than walking on the busy streets of Gebhardt and Highland.

We have 4 children, and our youngest is 13, and we STILL don't feel comfortable letting her bike or walk on Highland. The traffic on that street is incredibly dangerous. It is worsened by the inclines that limit view and that few drivers follow the speed limit.

The path on Juneau is clearly used, but the way it stops on Highland is preventing its use by so many of the residents. Please start a real plan to build paths that sensibly connect. This isn't so much about convenience, but about safety. The roads are far too narrow for walking and biking.

Thank you.