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Sent: Monday, May 17, 2021 4:16 PM
To: Barbara Babbitt
Cc: Dave France; Richard Brandenburg; Christopher J. Meager; Rocco Yeargin; Clark DeVitis; Nichole Messner; Matt Shaughnessy
Subject: Raber Road Multi Use Trail

Good evening Ms. Babbitt,

I wanted to write to you and the other members of City of Green council regarding the proposed multi use trail on Raber Rd. from Mayfair to Troon.

I am the president of the HOA for Stratford Green which is located at the corner of Raber Rd. and Mayfair Rd. I wanted to let you know that we have a very active community, comprised mostly of senior citizens, who would love the opportunity to safely extend their outdoor activities outside of our neighborhood. On any given day you will find multiple walkers, joggers, and cyclists enjoying the roads in our neighborhood. Being able to connect to Massillon Rd. on a trail that is safe from vehicles would be a huge advantage for us. Not only could it be used for exercise, but I've heard excitement about taking grandkids on their bikes for ice cream and connecting with friends in neighborhoods along Raber Rd. without having to get in their cars and drive there.

I am a distance runner and in order to get my miles in, I regularly drive outside of the City of Green to a trail that enables me to run without going in circles. Having a trail that connects to Massillon Rd would keep me in the city. It's especially useful now that a trail has been added to the west side of Massillon Rd. along the new construction and roundabouts. There are many people who already jog along Raber Rd. who would be much safer if they didn't have to run on the edge of the road.

In addition to the advantages for myself and my neighborhood, growing cities always have to be concerned with attracting new residents and being a good place for young families to live, work, and raise their children. Walkability is a huge factor in choosing a home for millennials and first time homebuyers. Most real estate sites even list walkability scores on individual homes. Having easy access to outdoor exercise and businesses is a huge plus for the City of Green.

I hope that as a resident who is directly affected by the addition of a multi use trail on Raber Rd., you will take my opinion into consideration when you vote on funding for the proposed trail.

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Thank you,
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