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FW: Beavercreek Rd. Concept plan comments

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I tried to put this into the Beavercreek Rd Concept Plan Implementation Contact Page but I think it was too long and it wouldn't let me send it.

After looking at this new updated concept (it's looking great!) I wanted to add something I just noticed: I live in the massive neighborhood East of Thayer Rd that butts right up next to the North Employment Campus. There are hundreds and hundreds of homes in this neighborhood. There are 65 in just the front three streets alone which is the most recent to be built. They connect to those homes built in the previous phase to the North via connected streets.

I see a lot more OPEN SPACE and parks weaved through the new Beavercreek plans which I LOVE SO MUCH but I noticed that there is no clear connection from this massive neighborhood to those walkable areas. These spaces will not be safely accessible unless the sidewalks that surround our neighborhood are connected to these new areas. Right now there is no way for us to even safely walk the VERY SMALL distance to Albertsons (8 minute walk at most) because there is no sidewalk on this side of MapleLane forcing us to cross traffic without a crosswalk (which I am not doing with a six year old.)

My concern is if that isn't considered, this neighborhood will become an island still forcing us all to DRIVE in order to safely GET to these green spaces for walking, jogging, playing etc. thereby negating all the effort for a walkable community forcing hundreds of people to drive down the street and park to have safe access. Please consider connecting where all the people currently live NOW to these new green spaces and the mixed use center. WE WANT TO WALK AND BIKE. Don't force us to drive. More people walking means less traffic and less road maintenance, a healthy population and more connection and gathering between neighbors.

Cheers,

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