

East Side Residential and Palisades Subarea Response Cards

Control the speed and tailgating on the Turnpike. As was inevitable when the four lanes were completed from Norris/Clinton exit off I-75 to Exit 356 on I-40, the amount of traffic, especially non-local and particularly commercial, has grown exponentially. Oversized loads, hazardous materials, 18 wheelers carrying long and tall stacks of logs, dump trucks heaped with dirt, rock, etc. are just a sample of what we encounter on the Turnpike. And they are often exceeding the posted speed limit - often by 10 or more miles per hour. I was hopeful that law enforcement would send a message from the beginning that this extremely efficient shortcut is first and foremost our main city thoroughfare - it is the only viable way residents can travel to the city center. By consistent enforcement (24/7) of posted speed limits, the word will get out quickly - don't speed and don't tailgate here. There will be consequences. When you choose to leave the interstate highways you can no longer drive at interstate speeds.

The left turn lane at Gum Hollow Rd for west bound turnpike traffic needs to be at least twice as long. Drivers traveling at 50 mph being overtaken by other (speeding) drivers must brake hard once in the turn lane to stop at the end of the turn lane. Please give us more of the safe place we need to slow down before turning.

vehicle requires zigzagging down streets to avoid damage from low hanging branches. Please keep this right of way clear.

Lack of sidewalks: there is no safe place for children or adults to walk once they reach the end of their driveways. Please provide places to walk from our homes that are safe from road traffic.

Pending airport: the last projected flight path I saw was right over the neighborhood. In addition to the noise and safety concerns (especially related to Y-12 in the next valley) our neighborhood (and possibly others in the west end) will experience an immediate loss in property values and longer waits on sale of that property. No one enjoys living under a flight path.

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One subject area I would like to ask the city about as part of the masterplan is the expansion of the sewer system into the Scenic Drive - Timbercrest subdivision. This would greatly increase the property value of housing in the area. I am sure the septic systems of house sin this area are reaching their lifetime soon and it would greatly benefit residents and give them the same benefit of other neighborhoods in the city.

I have paid taxes for housing in Oak Ridge for over 30 years and would like this benefit introduced into my neighborhood.

I would like to add comment here regarding intersections and choices of 4-way stop signs or "round-abouts", I have lived in towns where round-abouts were "tried", they didn't do what was expected, they were expensive to build.. for the most part they were simply an idiotic idea from some engineer with a degree. Round-abouts are more annoying than functional. When planning all these changes to our community it would best to remember one thing, and that is to use the KISS principal: **Keep It Simple Stupid**

concerns about the frequent power outages in this end of this area. when we are having power outages I usually call my daughter who lives on W. Fairview Road and they NEVER have power outages when we have them.

the need for a 4 way left turn light from the Turnpike on to Tulane in the direction of the chamber of commerce

the need for several 4 way stops on Pennsylvania heading toward New York

The only concern that I particularly have concerning our subarea (from personal experience while living there) is, living off of New York Avenue, the traffic is very high volume for a neighborhood street and vehicles speed through the street at all hours of the night and day. My husband and I do not have any children yet, but we are a young couple, and it makes me nervous to see cars and pedestrians almost rammed into by speeding cars.

Drainage issue – not happy about TVA water embayment trash and sediment

Would like culvert cleaned mention an agreement with TVA

Center

Mentioned a “water hammering” issue

discussed the waterline break at entrance road and she believes that part of her yard had settle since the repair and wanted to know if settling was related to break.

Crosswalk across Melton Lake does not have buttons to operate signage

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Concerned about white paint in yard and wanted to know if the City is planning something
Sidewalks along east drive and outer are in poor shape
Water repair patch at 75 outer has settled and need attention
On Magnolia: Water pressure issue – water comes on fast then slows; asked if it has something to do with waterline repair on Michigan below her
Sidewalks in poor shape
would like to see more LED street lights. He believe the one installed along Tennessee Avenue are good and like to see more changed similar to them
complaint about sidewalk conditions and poor connectivity in Emory Valley and Northeast residential area of City
Most important: purchase and remove blighted housing that is beyond repair
Need condos/housing to attract young. Need more entertainment/unique shops
Old apartments across from shopping need major facelift or reclaim property
private roads around fast food in center of town-fine owners and pave
Greenways cleared and deer population must be reduced for safety
Entire Jackson Square area down to Illinois needs investment for more restaurants, nightspots- tie and anchor with Dean's and Razzleberries, Crafter's Brew, mexican, China Inn...
Use playhouse for music as well as plays
N Tampa Ln: after the work on the gas line, they hit a water/sewer line and they made corrections that have become bumpy
Put a sign out in front of land bank eye sore homes letting people know that they will be take care of eventually
Concerns are with sidewalks- many are in poor condition with broken surfaces, yards/weeds infringing on them as well as weeds coming up through cracks and curbs. Specifically, East Drive and California
Markings on the roads are so faded when it rains or is dark it is hard to see them
Will the City consider sewer installation for scenic Timbercrest community. It was annexed and I expected this to happen by now
Need to look at making more marked crosswalks through the main roads

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TN behind MMC crosswalks and more lighting at street
SIDEWALKS!!!!
Get the lights on the turnpike times so you don't hit every red light
speed limit enforcement- California Ave I a virtual racetrack
Sidewalks are very bad. You have to keep your head down to walk safely
Speed control on California Ave
Repair sidewalks on Clifornia and the surrounding area
Improve blighted neighborhoods-enforce laws on care of the property
Sidewalks need work and fixed especially on Meadow Rd
No more patchwork on TN behind MMC-fix the whole thing at once instead of redoing all the time
4 way stops vs. roundabouts- no roundabouts!! Dangerous and don't work
We have so any more potholes and rough roads in our city!!! Has funding been cut? Costs gone up?
They nees school crossing/caution lights for Glenwod school zone for the safety of the kids.
Glenwood Elemtary needs more police
What about sidewalks and bike lanes from Florida Ave to Melton Lake Drive. We have no way to access the wakways unless we drive to them.
Our existing sidewalks: most are asphalt and in bad shape. Walk Californai and see for yourself
Sidewalks need to be repaired so you don't trip when you are walking
Sidewalks on turnpike from FL to Melton Lake Drive
Speeding on W. Arrowwood
The appearance of business ad city owned property including low income needs a higher appearance standard...including vegetation
I would be nice to have bus service between here and Clinton
Why aren't we utilizing softball facilities for more leagues and tournaments
porperty maintenance care
Getbusinesses in Oak Ridge turnpike in east area by California Ave to Elsa area

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Work to develop turnpike from California to Melton Lake
Contact info such as website should be on all handouts. It's lacking on the draft plan handout
Melton Lake Drive rowing course areas could be more beautiful by removing much brush, weeds, tall trees, etc.-- a good general clean up along the course.
Rock could be placed along shore line allowing more visibility while also allowing coaches onshore during regattas to follow teams.
For general public, benches along route with clear view could draw more family fun.
Illinois Ave could be more beautiful with center medians- flowers and trees could really make this an inviting area
Flowers throughout the city could do a lot to make one feel more welcome- such an inexpensive way to create beauty
General removal of weeds, small trees along Melton Lake Dr would beautify this gem in our city.
Fix the potholes along this road
Calhoun's jumbotron sign should be lowered to the ground. Such a beautiful restaurant and such an ugly sign. I would think the quality of restaurant would want this anyway
Railroad bridge behind Calhoun's should be sandblasted and painted
Would love to see a bridge connect Melton Lake peninsula with land on opposite shore-connecting with greenway near finish tower for rowers
Although rare event, being trapped in our subdivision multiple days is not good. City should invest in equipment or hire subs to help
Code enforcement: vehicles, trailers, boats, etc. on lawns do not provide a good image to prospective buyers or even renters
Power & comm lines: This part of OR has a lot of old big trees. Almost every storm brings down limbs & trees. City needs much more aggressive tree trimming program to prevent such outages
Sidewalks in poor condition along New York and side streets. It took 2 years, multiple phone calls, and capturing a city crew from another project to get a hole patched near my house. UNACCEPTABLE!!!