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Hello,

Thank you for taking the southwest corner of our wonderful city into consideration for the GoBond funds and seeing 2 projects on the list, the Alameda Underpass and the Jewel Bridge.

Some thoughts from south west Denver.

First of all, the Alameda underpass ABSOLUTELY needs to be on list, in fact it needs to be at the TOP of the list. For one of the major intersections that connects East and West Denver, this underpass is extremely dangerous, embarrassing, not a depiction of our wonderful city. I for one have to commute on Alameda every day, along with thousands of my fellow Denver residence, I hold my breath every time I drive through. Not only is it because I am worried that a pedestrian will be walking on the street due to the crumbling sidewalks being unworkable, thinking about the chance that the street will be flooded heaven forbid we get any sort of precipitation (Alameda falls, like a waterfall, its a thing!) or simply worried that something will fall on me or my car. Beyond the imminent danger of being on the road, as I mentioned myself and thousands of my closest Denver friends are on this road at any point during the day, which means if I leave my home any time between 7am and 9am I know that it will take me at least 25 minutes, if not more, to go the LONG 2 miles to Alameda and Broadway. Something needs to be done!

One of the things that I would really like City Council to take into consideration with the GoBond is that, despite all the work the committee has put into these extremely hard decisions, and the work the Mayor put into compiling this list, regardless of what makes it on the list, is that it will still need to be voted on. If the entire city isn't represented fairly, why would any of the "forgotten areas" vote for this? If the city isn't fairly represented on this ballot it will not pass, and the funding to improve anything will have to come from somewhere else, and from what I can tell Denver's budget is already pretty tight. Denver is a growing, thriving, changing gem of a city, but remember that the WHOLE city is growing, changing and improving, which means the WHOLE city needs to be considered fairly when deciding what projects are on this initiative. So a small token does not outweigh favoring another part of the city. The Jewel bridge is wonderful for south west Denver and considering the other projects that will most likely make it on the list South West Denver needs to be fairly represented. And remember Alameda is dangerous, which is why they both need to be on the GoBond. Just something to consider if City Council would really like this funding to be voted for.

Thank you for your time,

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