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To whom it may concern,

As a homeowner in Athmar Park, I am writing to express the need for 2017 GO Bond monies to be allotted to 2 critical projects in District 7:

1) **Alameda Underpass Reconstruction**
Alameda is the major thoroughfare for those of us in District 7 to get in to the city and to the east side of town and the underpass at Alameda is falling apart. As I drive through the underpass at least twice a day, I always feel nervous that either myself or someone else, whether it be a driver, cyclist or person on foot, is going to be injured as a result of the crumbling debris. This area is heavily traveled and the sidewalks are inadequate and unsafe. Additionally, when it rains, this area becomes treacherous for travel as "Alameda Falls" as the locals call it, becomes a flood zone. Addressing this area and allotting time and money to planning it's improvement would not only benefit District 7 citizens, but it would also benefit local businesses if we had better, safer access to the central and east sides of town. I feel that not as many people take advantage of the public transportation available at the Alameda light rail station because it is not safe to get there for those of us coming from the west side of Alameda. I would love the opportunity to ride my bike safely, or to be able to walk safely, without worry about if I might get hit by a car or falling debris when crossing through the underpass. As the city grows it's imperative to make sure we all have safe ways to get across town.

2) **Jewell Pedestrian & Bike Bridge**
Similar to my the Alameda Underpass Reconstruction, a pedestrian and bike bridge on Jewell would enhance safety and access for those of us in District 7. Including this bridge in the 2017 GO Bond would provide a safe, environmentally friendly way for those of us in District 7 to get to the central and east sides of town.

Thank you for your consideration, especially as we all work to keep District 7 safe and accessible for all!

Best,
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