From: Michael Culbert

To: Barnes, Jeff

Subject: Pre-application #799-PA-2021 North 68th Street

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Dear Mr. Barnes,

It has come to my attention that an application to abandon the City's right-of-way easement on the west side of 68<sup>th</sup> Street adjacent to the property at 6750 E. Exeter has been filed with the City of Scottsdale. As a homeowner I oppose the City abandoning the existing right of way.

As a homeowner in the surrounding community (Unit 81 in Pavoreal), 68th Street is an important pedestrian connector that currently lacks proper sidewalks making it a dangerous undertaking for residents to traverse. As the community becomes more urban and walking and bike riding become the choice for residents and visitors the city will need to respond with appropriate infrastructure to meet the needs. To abandon an important public right away for private purposes seems to be counter productive and totally irresponsible to the public. The city should be planning how to develop bike / pedestrian friendly infrastructure instead of abandoning a much valued right away for everyone,

Please feel free to contact me at your convenience regarding this issue. Regards

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