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Dear Council Members

We moved from upstate NY to the Brookland Manor 328 Wayside Ln. Hendersonville in July 2020.

We were pleased to be within walking distance to downtown, however, the walk turned out to be more difficult than expected. We first tried walking down Spartanburg Hwy. To Main St. by the bridge over Mud creek (where the sidewalk ends) It seemed too dangerous to cross there with traffic coming fast from both directions and being on a curve. We are too old to run thru traffic so we went back to cross by Fresh Market and pick up the sidewalk on the West side. We had to walk to Kanuga St. to get to a crosswalk and then to Main St. for a concert. We figured there must be an easier way, to get home so we went down Caswell to South Grove St. to go to Chadwick and then cross Spartanburg to Balsam and home. The section of S. Grove

across from Last Chance Thrift store has no sidewalk and the shoulder was flooded and unusable (also filled with litter) we had to walk in traffic for some distance. We do use this route now because it is shorter, however the shoulder is bad even when dry there are tire ruts and the grass can be high. There really needs to be a sidewalk there. It would seem with so many people living on the South end of the city (the Retirement Park and Brookland Manor, etc.) they could make it easier for people to walk to town. It should be a pleasant walk.

Thank you

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