

Dear Mr Bucholtz

I read the article about Spring Lake Park median.

I have lived here (Sp Lk Park) for 46 yrs and I know you want to keep the main drag flowing but its a problem for traffic crossing over or into Univ (47). I can be the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> car and the light changes, Many times its yellow or even red when I get to the median and I get you want to get rid of Panhandlers and that's good. Have you ever seen some one on Crutches or with a walker or a mom with a kid in the stroller with 2 little ones following mom trying to get across 4 lanes of traffic and across median? The walk sign (if the button works) comes on at <sup>the time</sup> they get to the middle the walk ~~sign~~ sign is off and traffic starts moving. That's why you see Panhandlers and pedestrians stuck on the medians.

If I'm going through on the yellow/red by car, how do you expect people to cross on foot safely?

Saw a man in a wheelchair and guess where he had to stop? In the median! I've seen this on 85<sup>th</sup> & 87<sup>th</sup> and Osborne & 73<sup>rd</sup>. It would help to have the signs on a bit ~~further~~ <sup>further</sup> to let people in cars & on foot to get across.

Thank you.

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