



UNION PARK DISTRICT COUNCIL

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At its regular meeting on July 18, 2016, the Union Park District Council Committee on Land Use and Economic Development addressed the proposed removal of the bump-out and installation of a right turn lane at the northeast corner of Selby Avenue and Saratoga Street. As you know, this change was suggested by Public Works and advocated by the District Council to improve pedestrian safety at the intersection of Selby and Snelling Avenues. The turn lane and accompanying signage will divert some westbound Selby vehicle traffic away from that intersection and towards northbound Snelling via Saratoga and Dayton.

At the July 18 meeting, Paul St. Martin of Public Works presented an updated analysis of the proposal considering current traffic patterns, the newly-constructed child care center in the area, and the newly-installed BRT station at Snelling and Dayton Avenues. Benita Warns, a Committee member who has expressed reservations about this plan, participated in the Committee discussion.

After discussion, the Committee again **voted to endorse the plan to remove the bump-out and add the right turn lane.** The Committee reiterated the request that lane-delineating striping and a speed advisory sign be installed at the Saratoga-Dayton turn.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Julie Reiter, Executive Director
Union Park District Council