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**Subject:** Statement RE: proposed sewer assessments in connection with Gold Line BRT  
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My name is Tonya Mages, and I live at 955 Hudson Rd. I have several concerns about being assessed for sewer replacement for the Gold Line Project, and I am unable to attend the city council meeting.

1. None of the affected property owners were ever asked how we felt about having a busy bus line we don't plan to use dropped on our street. The plans were already solidly in place by the time we were ever informed of "information and planning" meetings.
2. I was assured at a planning meeting that none of these Gold Line-associated "improvements" during construction would at my financial expense.
3. This project is already costing us in additional heating/cooling costs because all the trees have been removed, noise from the road, also because the trees and greenery along the wall have been removed, poorer air quality, because trees and greenery, and also increased light pollution due to the same.
4. Given the astronomical rise in our property taxes over the last 4 years, and reduced quality of life we are experiencing, I feel that if this is part of the project that needs to be addressed, it should not be at our expense. We're close to being taxed out of our homes, and we can't afford the assessment. If we made more money, we'd live somewhere else.
5. We can't just move if we don't like it, the number of murders and shootings at Earl and Hudson have negatively impacted this area significantly. It baffles me why anybody thinks that's a good place for a bus station.

Thanks for your consideration