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Dear planning commission members,

We have too many "lollipop streets" in Gahanna, which are dead-ends and cul-de-sacs which require residents to use arterials to get anyplace. The triangle between Morse, Johnstown and Hamilton is a good (terrible) example. The residents of Shagbark development have to use Hamilton, Beecher and Johnstown to visit the YMCA, when you can spit at it from Sanctuary Place.

The kids who live at Cameron Ridge Apts should be able to walk or bike to the Y or to Middle School East and there is no authorized cut through. Adding a fence behind Wilke Place will further thwart their route.

I grew up in Lakewood, Ohio, where we had paths through long blocks to walk between houses for shortcuts. They were paved walks with fences on both sides so that we weren't trespassing through people's yards. Isn't there any way we could find a path from Cameron Ridge Apts through Gahanna Grove or Amberlea Village to give our kids the opportunity to walk and bike? Is there an easement available where such a path could be provided?

Sincerely,

Tricia Kovacs

Safe Routes to Schools and Bicycle and Trail Advisory Committee

P.S. Sorry but I cannot attend the planning commission meeting tonight.