

MOTION

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We MOVE that the Administration cease all efforts and activities involved in the widening of Ezzard Charles Drive between Cutter Street and Central Ave in the West End, including construction efforts led by third parties using city dollars.

We FURTHER MOVE that the Administration present on the proposed widening in the Major Projects Committee this September before any construction begins. This meeting will allow residents who live directly along and around Ezzard to learn the details of this project and express their concerns and ask questions.

STATEMENT

The West End community had no knowledge of this impending widening of Ezzard Charles Drive until this past week, and only learned of the details after approaching surveyors who were preparing the construction work. Neither the City, nor FC Cincinnati who is leading the project, engaged neighbors and residents on the widening, despite the fact it goes through a residential area and directly in front of a school and a multi-school shared stadium in a community where the vast majority of students walk to school. With zero neighborhood engagement, this project should stop immediately and be reconsidered with alternatives before moving forward.

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