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Subject: Lame Duck botched planning

Dear Mayor Harris:

Attached is a diagram for the new BRT stop on Kapahulu Av.

The BRT stop that was installed on Kapahulu avenue was placed right on the previous bike path. The path now terminates abruptly at the bus stop. Riders will be forced to ride on the dirt around the stop to continue on. Why not just continue to the path around the bus stop?

You did a good job on Kalakaua Avenue. Everything since has been a mess.

Kuhio Avenue: 3 foot sidewalks? In one of the most population dense areas in the world? Pedestrians stack up to get through just like the H-I freeway traffic jams. Just how many people can walk side by side on a 3 foot sidewalk? Answer: barely one - and they better be skinny. Huge money will be required to re-design multiple bottlenecks.

AlaWai: The bulb-outs appear to be like aneurysms - which the designers of that project probably had in their brains. As an avid bicyclist, have you personally ridden on that so-called bike path? I hope you have health insurance.

Now the Kapahulu bike path. At a time when she should be interconnecting our bike paths, this is a huge step in the wrong direction. That path is very heavily used - did anyone ask the questions where are the bikers supposed to go?

Do you wonder why so many people in this city dislike you & your administration? As you mentioned on election night - foreigners like you better than your own fellow residents. Have you considered that the reason is one mess after another created by your team? Anyone who has given this city any awards obviously doesn't live here & have to endure one bad design after another. If the foreigners saw the absurd designs that emerged from your administration, they wouldn't be consulting you for advice.

Disgusted again,

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