

**Summary of Traffic/Safety Concerns of NE 8th Neighbors (between Knott & Brazee)
Due to Apartment Building Construction on NE 7th & Proposed Greenway**

Concern #1:

We are experiencing significant traffic impacts on NE 8th (between NE Brazee & Knott) due to the 6-story building under construction by Dan Neal (Paradigm Properties) at NE 7th & Russell.

- During the week an increasing number of cars are speeding up and down NE 8th St. to avoid delays and diversions taking place on NE 7th because of the construction, especially during the morning and evening rush hours. Cars are lined up on NE 7th for blocks at times and out of delays and frustrations, drivers are cutting over to 8th to use as a north/south thruway. Cars are speeding down our block, posing serious danger to pedestrians, children headed to school and pets.
- Project flaggers have been erroneously diverting traffic to NE 8th, rather than to NE MLK Blvd., which is in the traffic mitigation plan.
- Because NE 8th Ave is narrower than NE 7th Ave, it has substantially less capacity to safely allow overflow traffic.

Requested Action:

We request assistance from the city/PBOT to slow traffic down on NE 8th immediately.

Construction will be taking place for the next 6 months and we expect the city to ensure that project managers & flaggers move traffic to MLK Blvd. instead of 8th.

We request to be informed of any options available to block off or divert traffic from using NE 8th as a through-way such as:

- Install “No Thru Traffic” signs at NE 8th and Knott and NE 8th and Brazee, and have neighbors and police enforce this.
- Put up bollards or any other type of temporary or permanent through-traffic barrier to block off NE 8th at Knott (south side) to keep through traffic from going in/out at this point. Residents will be able to enter/exit the street from Brazee, but not Knott. Bicycle and pedestrian traffic, which already makes heavy use of NE 8th Ave because of the problems on NE 7th and direct connection to Irving Park, would also benefit from this closure.

Concern #2:

We are very concerned about the proposed “Greenway” on NE 7th because we believe that, if implemented, it will slow down traffic on NE 7th enough to cause drivers to use NE 8th as a north/south thruway on a long-term, ongoing basis. If the Greenway includes a “Bikeway”, this will further slow traffic on NE 7th and push cars to find alternate north/south thruways. While neighbors on NE 7th, the Eliot Neighborhood Association, and some members of the Irvington Neighborhood Association may support a Greenway & Bikeway on NE 7th, neighbors on 8th believe it will have long-term, negative impacts on our street.

Requested Action:

We request that the city/PBOT provide all available information (the specific proposals and design plans for the 7th Street Greenway & Bikeway) ASAP and include our citizens in any public meetings regarding this plan before it is finalized.

- Neighbors do not have the specific, proposed plans to review, though this concept has been talked about for years. We have no idea what the proposal is or how it might affect traffic and safety on NE 7th or the surrounding streets.

- We would like to know how the proposed plan includes measures to protect surrounding streets, specifically NE 8th Ave, from negative impacts.
- We have heard rumors that the Greenway may include the installation of traffic diverters on NE 7th, actually pushing cars over to NE 8th, which is unacceptable. Any plans that increase car traffic on NE 8th need to be mitigated through a long-term, permanent measure (could be extension of the bollards or barrier as proposed above.)

Sincerely, neighbors on NE 8th between Brazee & Knott:

NAME	ADDRESS
Joyce Larson	2543 N.E. 8 th , Portland, Oregon 97212
JAMIE DOHEMANN	2614 NE 8th AVE, PDX 97212
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Amy Greenstadt	2618 NE 8 th Avenue Portland 97212
Polly Birnbaum	2527 NE 8 th Ave Portland OR 97212
Jackie Farlinger-King	803 NE Brazee Street, Portland, OR 97212
Vickie Stepper	2531 NE 8 th Ave Portland OR 97212
Cynthia Irvine	2641 NE 8 th Ave Portland, OR 97212
JOSEPH MAZZA	2603 NE 8 th AVE, PORTLAND OR 97212
Carlos Carrada Ortiz Jesse Davis.	2637 NE 8 th Ave Portland, OR 97212
Steven Cornik	2544 NE 8 th Ave, Portland, OR, 97212
SEAN GREEN	2618 NE 8th AVE PORTLAND, OR 97212
PAUL STEINER	2529 NE 8 th AVE PDX 97212
Estee Regal	2533 NE 8 th AVE PDX 97212
TJ Kearney	2522 NE 8 th Ave PDX 97212
Laura Choll	2522 NE 8 th Ave PDX 97212
Gabe Adoff	2533 NE 8 th Ave Portland, OR 97212
Catherine App	2617 NE 8 th Ave Portland OR 97212
Thomas Clay	2617 NE 8 th Ave Portland OR 97212
JOHN SOY	2627 NE 8 th Ave Portland, OR 97212

NAME	ADDRESS
Kandy Phillips	809 NE Knott St.
Patrick Cox	809 NE Knott St
Marlene Alares	2817 NE 8th Ave
Kathleen M. Wedor	2817 NE 8th Ave
Sonia Connolly	2833 NE 8th Ave PRO GREENWAY
Patricia Han	2846 NE 8th Ave
Pauline Kney	2834 NE 8th Ave 97212
Juana Allen	2827 NE 8th Ave. Portland, OR ⁹⁷²¹²
Antoine Deah	2827 NE 8th Ave.
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Barbara Reschiesca	737 NE Knott St, Pdx 97212
LISA LACY	2733 NE 8th Ave, PDX 97212
Bob Ornstein	730 NE Stanton PDX 97212
Hyekwon	2926 NE 8th Ave, 97212
Almad Wale	2923 N.E. 8th, 97212
ring R	3007 NE 8th 97212
Mary Kay Cunningham	3033 NE 8th 97212
Dan Mally	3033 NE 8th 97212
Jan Pitt	3106 NE 8th, 97212
Dad Lolla	3118 NE 8th Ave, PDX 97212
Karen Lolla	3145 NE 5th Ave 97212
Jan Sammons	3133 NE 8th Ave 97212
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Anthony M. Baker	2808 NE 8 th 97212
Kiesha Stewart	2808 NE 8 th AVE 97212
ADAM CROAN	2933 NE 8 th Ave 97212
Andrew Blount	737 NE Knott St.
BJ Jackson	2736 NE 8 th
Carolyn Jackson	"
Heather Anderson	3132 NE 8 th Ave 97212
Eric Anderson	" "
NATHANIEL MARTIN	3142 " " "
Jesse	3016 NE 8 97212

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Sincerely, Neighbors on NE 8th Ave,

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Dawn Cole	2232 NE 8th Ave
Deepak Vembar	736 NE Thompson St
Ruth Trego	2237 NE 8th Ave
Sandra Ammend	2229 NE 8th Ave
Mary Weller	2238 NE 8th
Diana St. Amour	2147 NE 8th Avenue
Robin deAlcantara	2337 NE 8th Ave
Jenny Osborne	2423 NE 8th Ave
Julie Pieringer	2423 NE 8th Ave
Amy Dachtler	2327 NE 8th Ave
Angela Potter	736 NE Thompson
Todd Rinker	2218 NE 8th Ave.
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Johnston Mitchell	2146 NE 8th Avenue
Dena Shehab	2244 NE 8th Ave