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Geoff Hirsch submitted a new eComment.

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Item: a. REPORT 22-0173 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) STUDY SESSION (Public Works Director Joe SanClemente)

eComment: I support the installation of an accessible pathway on the Greenbelt as a trial project to determine if this is feasible for a longer span. It has now been over six years that we have been discussing this project back-and-forth, weighing the pros and cons, hiring not only a landscape consultant but an accessibility evaluator. Both of their reports suggested that a trial pathway of approximately four blocks be installed to allow for a proper study of this project's feasibility. It is important City Council specify some evaluation criteria for this project; specifically, durability of the material, what maintenance is required, overall stability of the surface, and ease of use for wheelchairs and strollers. I believe that an adequate evaluation, period would be anywhere from nine months to one year, this would allow for an adequate trial under varying weather conditions. Hopefully, this project could then be approved as a CIP Project during the next fiscal year. Please give this necessary project the consideration it deserves and approve this trial. Making a Greenbelt accessible is not a privilege, it is a citizens right, both from a moral snd legal perspective. Thank you,