The height figure on the first photo was by simple measurement.
The total height on the second photo was calculated based on known wheel size.
The overall difference is only approx. $41 / 4$ ".
Certainly, if a rider of a conventional bike sits up on the saddle the overall height would be significantly higher.

However, I never heard anyone comment or complain about a rider in the dropped position being harder to see from a safety standpoint.



