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I am writing in support of permanently closing rush hour traffic lanes on Willy St. Typically I bus to work and this provides me many opportunities to observe rush hour traffic. It appears to me that there is less vehicular speeding with a single lane, and it seems much safer.

Tonight I drove home from work during rush hour traffic. I was able to set my speed to 25 mph driving east and maintain this speed until my turn off at Dickinson. It seemed much safer. My only concern is whether cars seek Jenifer, Spaight, or Rutledge as alternative routes. I have not noticed this to date, but it should be monitored.

Additionally, I would like to see the Winnebago narrowed to single lanes both directions, perhaps starting at 1st Street. This would make it much safer at the bike/pedestrian crossing on the east side of the Yahara River and also at Thornton St where there is lots of pedestrian traffic. I cross this street as a runner and often times, drivers fail to stop even though the pedestrian crossing lights are flashing. Narrowing these intersections to one lane would calm traffic.

Regards, Amy Miller 1507 Rutledge St Madison