



Traffic Engineering and Parking Divisions

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Dear Resident/Property Owner:

Subject: Notice of Traffic Test, Trial Half-Street Closure on Kendall Avenue at Franklin Avenue, as part of Kendall/Bluff Bike Boulevard Plan

As part of the City's working with the neighborhood and alderpersons, on the first phase of implementation of the Kendall/Bluff bike boulevard plan, the City of Madison Traffic Engineering Division is proceeding with a 30-day trial of a half-street closure on Kendall Avenue at Franklin Avenue.

This half-street closure is one element of an overall plan for the Kendall/Bluff bike boulevard that residents, Alders Bidar-Sielaff and Schmidt, and the City have been working on over the last year.

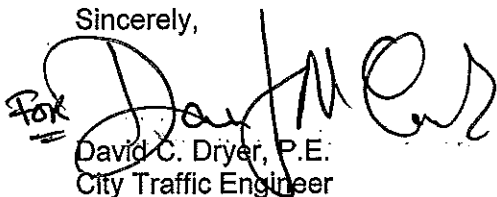
The function of the half-street closure will be simulated with barrels and signage. The test will allow the neighborhood to observe how the closure would operate.

The proposed half-closure is designed to reduce "cut-through" traffic by cutting off eastbound motor vehicle access into the 2700 block of Kendall Ave, while still maintaining Kendall Ave as a two-way street all the way to the half-closure at Kendall and Franklin. Residents on Kendall Avenue will have motor vehicle access to their homes, but may have to take a slightly different route home. This half-closure restriction will not apply to bicycles, emergency vehicles, snow plows and other authorized vehicles.

In order for the neighborhood to observe how the closure would operate, the function of the half-street closure will be simulated with barrels and signage. An illustration of the proposed test is attached. This 30-day trial is expected to run from June 21 to July 21, 2010. If feedback is positive and there are no major operational flaws and impacts observed during the trial period, the City will proceed with the permanent construction of the half-closure in late August, 2010.

Your comments are requested now and throughout the 30-day trial. If you have any questions, please contact Bob Arseneau at 267-8849. Comments may be made to barseneau@cityofmadison.com.

Sincerely,


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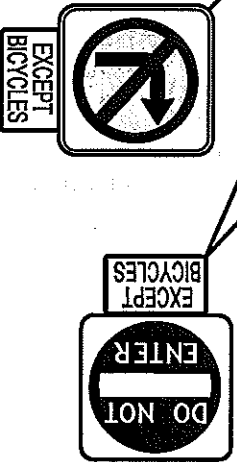
Enclosures: Exhibits of 30-day trial

More information on bike boulevards may be found at <http://www.altaplanning.com/bike+blvd+guidebook.aspx>

Kendall - Franklin Diverter Test

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCESS TO
KENDALL FROM FRANKLIN
WILL BE RESTRICTED.

BICYCLE ACCESS WILL
NOT BE RESTRICTED.



N FRANKLIN AV

KENDALL AV



ARROWS ARE TO ILLUSTRATE
MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC FLOW
AND WILL NOT BE PAINTED
ON THE PAVEMENT.

ILLUSTRATION "A"

