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I applaud most of the proposed Baldwin St safety improvements, with two exceptions:

The "4-way stop study" be damned, the Baldwin and E. Wilson intersection absolutely needs to be made safer for the thousands of daily bicyclists who use E. Wilson / Cap City Trail. It should either be a 4-way stop or the stop signs should be changed to give priority to E Wilson traffic. This is clear as day to anyone who has used that intersection during rush hour or studied its tragic past. The only reason there aren't more serious crashes there is because most local drivers know the intersection's importance as a bike corridor and are extra cautious.

I don't think speed humps are needed on E Wilson. Speed is rarely an issue there, and speed humps will unnecessarily complicate the road for bicyclists. In contrast, speed humps would be an improvement on the two blocks of Baldwin between E Wash and E Wilson that are prone to speeding and aggressive driving.

Thank you,

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