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Regarding shared streets: Item #65355 May 12, 2021 meeting

Dear commission members,

I am a senior, retired person who lives on Lakeside St. I am concerned about traffic, and about safety, and quality of neighborhood life. I serve on the Bay Creek Transportation Committee.

I am expressing my strenuous disapproval of limiting driving on West and South Shore drives on Monona Bay--in my neighborhood. I believed that last year's closing was a CoVid issue—keeping bikers, walkers, etc. far apart. That is less the case this year and into the future. I also understand those South and West Shore Dr. homeowners like keeping “their” lakeshore free of traffic and of people-from outside. I strongly believe that the Madison public streets and lakeshore/city beauty, and enjoyment, belong to everyone. It belongs to older and disabled people, the fishermen and women and their gear, bikers, walkers AND drivers. Some of us can't walk far to enjoy it. I love to see the water birds, migrating birds, etc. I enjoy the view of my Capital, and I enjoy taking photos of all of this. I drive very carefully and slowly when on that street. I am aware of the nature of it.

I believe that enjoyment of our public streets and parks, and access to them is an equity issue. It is not private! Make the speed 15-20 mph, improve Park St. more quickly for commuters, and let all people enjoy the drive.

Thanks for making good decisions on this issue--for everyone's enjoyment. There are similar issues in the other street closing areas. This one is closer to me-but all are important.

Sincerely yours,

Charlene Sweeney

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