

Pien, Janet

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Subject: Comments for Board of Public Works and the Pedestrian/Bicycle/Motor vehicle Commission
November 28, 2012

I am unable to attend the Board of Public Works and the Pedestrian/Bicycle/Motor vehicle Commission meeting November 28, 2012.

Please enter the following comments into the record.

I participated in the public dialog (at meetings and online) hoping that my comments would be helpful and improve the lighting design. The revised design still has shortcomings. To improve matters please DECREASE THE DISTANCE BETWEEN POLES to avoid gaps of darkness. But continuing to object now may be a case of fulfilling the adage "Perfect is the enemy of the good." (Voltaire). So although the current design is not perfect, it is as good as it is going to get, SO I SUPPORT THE LIGHTING PROJECT.

Arguments in favor of lighting:

- :: Environmental (more biking = less sprawl, less pollution)
- :: Fairness (equal treatment on this transportation route 24x7, like other lit paths and streets)
- :: Visibility (my recumbent bicycle has 8 lights, 3 forward-facing, and these are not enough)

Baseless arguments against:

- :: NIMBYism (unsupportable claims regarding wildlife, astronomy, backyard light)
- :: Cost (quite small relative to other transportation projects)

Please support lighting the SW bike path.

Thank you.

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