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Dear Transportation Commission,

While there are some improvements shown in the plans for John Nolen Dr phase 2, the main intersection in this stretch (Lakeside) is a large and deadly one, and this intersection needs to be safe for users of all modes to navigate, if we're ever going to reach Vision Zero.

Aside from the existing Cap City Trail, the only bike facility shown in the designs is where the bike lane starts back up on eastbound Lakeside, after the intersection.

A multi-modal treatment for this intersection would include:

- * Marked bike lanes on the approaches to--and through--the intersection, even if that means reducing unnecessary turn lanes.
- * Anticipated wayfinding / turning movements for cyclists and other self-powered wheel users, with bike boxes to mark staging areas for those movements.

Lakeside is a Community Main Street according to the Complete Green Streets classification, and CGS says "bike lanes should be included". CGS also says that "all streets will be built to the lowest level of stress possible". And while the city prioritized parking over a bike facility on Regent Street, this stretch of Lakeside has no parking to use as a pretext for exclusion.

When I lived downtown a few years ago, Lakeside was a common route for me, and I would access it to/from the Cap City Trail. It may end up on the AAA map after the current round of revisions, but regardless, this intersection needs a bike facility running through it, and the intersection needs to be as safe and efficient for cyclists as it is for drivers.

Drivers are not being expected to wait through multiple cycles of the traffic signal just to make one turning movement. Drivers are not expected to make tight 90 degree turns, or to go from street level to sidewalk level and back.

The city should promote cycling over driving, as an active, zero-emission, congestion-reducing mode of travel, but more importantly, the city should at the very least level the playing field, and we have not even gotten to that point yet.

Thank you,

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