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Subject: Speed Bumps Spaight Street

Hi,

I writing to express support for speed bumps along Spaight Street to control traffic speeds around Marquette / O'Keeffe. My daughters will be going into 6th and 8th grades. I live on S. Dickinson near the lake, so my kids cross Spaight on their way to school every day and have for several years now.

Spaight is a fairly broad, open street by neighborhood standards and that's what makes it most suitable for Metro traffic. It also encourages private car drivers to go pretty fast - often 30-35 mph through a neighborhood that sees a lot of foot traffic. Especially those who are using it as a way to avoid Willy St traffic during the morning commute window.

I understand the speed bumps likely put more stress on Metro vehicles but we're talking about the safety and well being of school children who just don't have the situational awareness to be alert to traffic that might be coming at a high rate of speed a half or full block away.

I actually really like the idea of buses lumbering slowly through that block as it slows all traffic down and makes it a less attractive thoroughfare for those trying to avoid Willy Street traffic during the morning commute.

Oh, and incidentally, to ease Willy Street congestion in the area, I would suggest you just extend the no parking area inbound on the right near Jamerica as having another car length of passing space where people line up to make (an ill-advised) left into the Coop parking lot would really help. Or just no left turns into or out of the Coop would be great. I thought that's what the Driveway was for?

Thanks for your consideration. I know you have a lot of competing demands to balance but I think at this particular moment in our cultural experience there is some real value in everyone just slowing down a little.

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