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Subject: 4700-4900 block of Sheboygan Ave

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Dear Alder Martin, Mr. Malloy, and Ms. Callaway,

I recently learned that the City of Madison Transportation Commission is considering removing street parking on the 4700-4900 block of Sheboygan Avenue. I live in an apartment building on this block, and removing parking would be a great inconvenience for me and many other residents. These apartments do not have sufficient lot parking for all residents, and this block is widely used for overnight parking.

My understanding is that this is to make room for a bike lane. I am a regular bicyclist, and in my opinion, Sheboygan Ave does not need a dedicated bike lane. There is plenty of room on this street to bike, and Sheboygan Ave does not have so much traffic that biking is dangerous. The reason I don't bike on Sheboygan Ave is actually that there are lots of potholes, and fixing potholes will be better for cyclists than creating a bike lane. Moreover, Regent St is a bike boulevard, and there is a bike path just off of Old Middleton Rd, both one street over from Sheboygan Ave.

I believe that removing street parking on Sheboygan Ave is a major inconvenience and creating a dedicated bike lane is unnecessary. The parking situation on this block should not be changed.

Sincerely, Andrew Dias