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Hello,

Many of us who live on Whitney Way have sent emails and have spoken at meetings several times, strongly requesting street parking remain on Whitney Way. The current parking lane allows room for bikes to go by. Since work vehicles and delivery trucks will be able to park, it will prevent those of us who live there to park. And visitors will not have anywhere to park even at night, even when there would be very few, or any, bikes using the lane.

We have given many reasons why eliminating the parking lane is not agreeable and serves fewer bikers than the number it disservices in the community and neighborhood.

We have continued to give valuable inputs and originally were told it was negotiable, but I am very disappointed that the perfect bike configuration is overriding the strong need for parking.

Sidebar: The hill on Whitney Way probably limits bike usage more than the parked cars.

I also think the current 30 mph speed limit is appropriate. Policing that the limit is followed, is what is needed to slow down the traffic. Making the speed limit 25, and expecting drivers to go no more than 30 mph is not the message that should be sent. From 40 mph on Mineral PT to 30 mph is difficult enough for drivers. The large median is what contributes to allow a higher speed, 30mph, than a regular basic city street.

Please keep the parking lane for all the reasons we have presented at previous meetings and to preserve our neighborhood needs. Recall, Mt Olive Church needs the parking for disability accessibility.

Thank you,
Carol Koehler