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To: Transportation Commission

Cc: Patrick Irwin

Subject: I oppose the proposed changes to Whitney Way parking

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Dear sir or madam,

I do not agree with the proposed changes to Whitney Way as part of the 2021 Vision Zero Projects. I doubt anyone who has proposed such changes actually LIVES or BIKES on Whitney Way, and think the proposed change won't encourage bikers to make use of a steep hill but instead will only harm the residents.

I will not be able to attend tonight's Transportation Meeting scheduled for 5 pm. Instead, I will be hosting a weekly family dinner at my house on Whitney Way, which involves several extended family households of medical professionals (all vaccinated and in the same "Covid bubble") getting together for a family dinner and gathering. My brother-in-law will pick up his kids from daycare and bring them to our house. One of my sisters will be driving home from St. Mary's Hospital where she is a nurse anaesthetist. My other physician sister will be driving home later from Meriter Hospital after her long day of delivering babies and rounding on new mothers. My disabled in-laws will drive from Middleton. Where will they all park? They will park in front of our house on Whitney way. Please don't make our family gatherings more difficult by requiring any visitors to park on a side street. For some friends and family members, this will make visiting our house extremely difficult for those already requiring a cane or assistance.

I STRONGLY OPPOSE THE PROPOSED WHITNEY WAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT involving the change to the parking lane. I do not believe it is necessary given the low rate of bikers on Whitney Way, most likely due to the hill rather than a need for a "bike only" lane.

Thank you, Stacey Schaefer 608-658-0929