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Greetings. I am a resident of Bay Creek and have served on the Truman Olsen and SSM neighborhood steering committees, as well as the Bay Creek Transportation Committee. I am a frequent walker, biker and driver in this area. I support the option in Agenda item 4 of marking the newly built Cedar street to provide for buffered bike lanes on both sides of the street between Park Street and South Street. This will allow for the best continuity of travel lanes throughout the block and will provide a safer street for bicyclists and pedestrians. In addition, I strongly favor building new road infrastructure on the south side in accord with current best practices for road design, which I believe is the buffered bike alternative.

I do not find the loss of 5 on street parking spaces to present a significant argument against eliminating the buffered bike lane. There are at least 17 on street spaces directly east of this street segment, along with many many spaces in the Truman Olsen lot and the large SSM parking lots that abut this street. I'm also concerned that the on street parking at issue, which is directly west of the westernmost Truman Olson drive will cause sight line problems between eastbound cars and bikes and cars exiting that drive.

Thanks for considering this perspective.

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