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I am emailing about the downtown bike lanes. I have lived in La Crosse most of my life and I primarily get around by bike. I personally rarely go downtown because of how bad it is to bike down there. I also have invited friends downtown and they have refused because of how dangerous they perceive the conditions to be. In fact last night I was talking to someone at a bar about this situation and he said "If people bike on third street they will get killed". The situation needs to be made more safe.

There are certainly other issues with downtown, there is usually no bike parking and we treat the public spaces as a thoroughfare for people from out of town to drive very fast and be loud. In other cities I have lived in I have often loved their downtowns and wanted to spend a lot of time there, but I do not feel that way about our downtown. I think this is a great opportunity to improve our downtown into a place we want it to be and improve the value for businesses down there.

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