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To:

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Subject:

Support 17-0888 King Street Greenway

Dear Boarad of Public Works Members,

I am unable to attend this morning's meeting, but I am emailing **in support of 17-0888** Resolution approving the development of an engineering plan for the King Street Neighborhood Greenway based on the Bicycle-Pedestrian Advisory Committee's concept plan recommendation.

While I would prefer that the city use this project to construct a <u>protected bike lane</u>, any infrastructure improvement that encourages more people of more ages and abilities to bicycle more is a step in the right direction.

La Crosse is a "sustainable city" and the Mayor has (thankfully) signed the Climate Mayor's pledge. In 2016, the US transportation sector overtook the energy sector in greenhouse gas emissions. This means we must find, encourage, promote and facilitate modes of transportation and, more importantly, transportation *habits* that are not dependent upon fossil fuel vehicles.

So, this is a very important step in the right direction and I hope you will approve this resolution wholeheartedly and encourage its completion as early as possible.

Thank you.

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