

Craig, Sondra

From: Andrew Ericson <ericson.andrew777@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 5, 2026 9:31 PM
To: ZZ Council Members
Subject: In Favor of US53 Resolution

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Council Members,

I am writing to express my support for the resolution requesting WisDOT to develop and evaluate additional design alternatives for the Highway 53 Corridor Study.

I think there is a shared understanding that this is a big project, an important one, and one we want to get right. I love our downtown and I want what is best for it long term. I view the addition of protected bicycle facilities as a boost to downtown. This approach has been studied and implemented in other communities, where it has often contributed positively to safety, access, and economic activity.

At the same time, I also advocate for thoughtful and sound practices around parking, including recognizing its true environmental, social and fiscal costs and right sizing it. These conversations are not simple, and I appreciate that many people are sincerely trying to find balance and can see the nuance in it.

Because of that, I support this resolution as written. I have encouraged compromise in this discussion. Early on I was interested in Alternative 2A, and I have even sketched out my own ideas for how this corridor could better balance competing needs. What this resolution does, in my view, is create space for WisDOT to dig deeper and see whether there is another solution that better balances the competing desires for parking, safety, access, and long term goals for the corridor.

At best, this process yields a compromise alternative that meaningfully responds to the concerns raised by different stakeholders. At worst, it confirms that the current options are the best available. Either way, that information is valuable, and it comes at no cost to the City.

I see no downside to asking WisDOT to explore whether something better is out there. If there is, that would be a win for the community. For that reason, I encourage you to vote in favor of the resolution.

Thank you for your time and for your work on this important issue.

Sincerely,
Andrew Ericson

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From: Goggin, Erin
Sent: Monday, January 12, 2026 9:30 AM
To: Craig, Sondra
Subject: FW: Meeting

-----Original Message-----

From: Mike Rosenau <quinnbirdman@centurytel.net>
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Good afternoon Erin. This is Mike Rosenau. You wrote to me awhile back after I had written a general message addressing some concerns. I don't live in your district (I live on old town hall road). I don't know who my council member is so I felt compelled to write to you. I know you and know that you are fair and honest. Saying that, I was hoping that you could pass my feelings on to the appropriate people.

This is in reference to the council meeting tomorrow and in particular the Hwy 53/parking space situation.

I am 100 % opposed to widening the road. I remember when years ago city leadership had to revitalize the downtown area as it was crumbling and disappearing.

Now I fear that all those people who invested in their livelihood such as downtown shopping, restaurants and even residential units will not only be affected but will leave . Additionally I fear for the folks who are immobile, shoppers and those wanting to get a bite to eat and drink. Also, elderly people will be less likely to go downtown due to the inconvenience of a lack of parking.

Thank you for taking the time to read this and passing this on.

P.S. the last time you emailed me back I did not get the email. I saw it was from you but it was blank. Feel free to text me (608-386-9870) if you want rather than email.

Respectfully

