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Dear La Crosse Common Council Members,

I'm writing to share my support for Alternative 1, the option that includes protected bike lanes on 3rd and 4th Streets.

As a one-car household, I use my bicycle to travel around La Crosse 90% of the time. The improvements on King Street, the bike lane on 2nd Street, and the like were fantastic and made biking safer and more efficient (oftentimes more efficient than driving!). But they were just stepping stones; this next project is a once-in-a-generation opportunity to make our downtown safer, more connected, and ready for the future. Adding protected bike lanes will make it easier for more people to move through downtown — whether they drive, walk, or bike — without taking any options away.

Cities that have made this kind of investment have seen it support local business and create more vibrant, welcoming streets. My brother lives in Indianapolis, a city that put a lot of investment into such infrastructure. When we visit, we regularly walk and bike the protected lanes connecting neighborhoods near downtown. We stop at restaurants, shops, and parks. If a city with many times the number of people and significantly more traffic can make room for this, La Crosse can too, and will see a substantial benefit.

Please choose the option that reflects the future we want for La Crosse — a city built around connection, choice, and people.

Thank you for your time and for considering this important decision.

Sincerely,

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