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Dear Council Members of La Crosse,

I have lived in La Crosse's 18th District for the past 28 years and had been bike commuting to work(downtown) all seasons.

I appreciate all the bike and pedestrian infrastructure added to the city in the past years. My bike commute became less stressful when the King St rapid flashing beacon made it easier to cross West Ave. I also appreciate the 2nd St bike lane as it makes my ride to downtown from the southside or northside easier.

Through the years, I've seen more people biking. I have seen more people(especially families with kids) bike down the street where I live on 31st St. I believe it's because of all the improved bike infrastructure that's been put into place to improve La Crosse's bicycling culture.

I support the 3rd and 4th St protected bike lanes proposed by the WI DOT because I think this would enhance downtown biking more by making bicycling safer for all. Although it would take away parking, there are plenty of parking spaces in ramps which should be used because they have been developed and maintained with great cost to La Crosse taxpayers. Besides, I think removing 3rd and 4th St parking would improve the flow of traffic as drivers looking for on-street parking would not impede traffic. In my opinion, streets are for transporting people, not just transporting cars and storing them for free.

Sincerely, Michael Barreyro La Crosse Resident