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Dear Council Members,

I hope you support Alternative 1 as you provide guidance to the DOT regarding 3rd and 4th Streets.

Bike lanes aren't just for folks who happen to like riding bikes. They're for people who aren't old enough to drive, people who don't have licenses, people who can't afford a motor vehicle, people who get to work on a bike, people who shop and eat and live downtown...I could go on! Bike lanes slow down and reduce car traffic. Bike lanes encourage more people to patronize downtown businesses - not take away business like some might argue. Bike lanes make a better community for all.

You have the data that shows we have ample underutilized parking downtown, and I encourage greater awareness and education around parking options for drivers. We can find a balance between our current car-centric resources with new resources that support alternative modes of transportation.

The number of supportive comments you've already received should show how deeply our community cares about building infrastructure that works for **all**, not just people who drive.

Thank you,
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