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Dear La Crosse Common Council Members,

I am writing to express my opposition to Alternative 1, the proposal to add protected bike lanes on 3rd and 4th Streets, and voice my support for Alternative 2.

While I understand the intention to make downtown more accessible, this plan would have the opposite effect for most residents and visitors. More bike lanes may sound appealing in theory, but they cannot be used for much of the year due to our long winters. Meanwhile, parking remains one of the biggest reasons people (at least people I know) avoid going downtown, and removing spaces will only make that problem worse.

Downtown La Crosse already has more vacant storefronts than many other Wisconsin cities. Businesses depend on convenient parking for their customers, delivery vehicles, and employees. Reducing that access discourages people from coming downtown and hurts the very businesses that make La Crosse unique.

I urge the Council to reject Alternative 1 and instead pursue Alternative 2 that caters to the beating heart of this wonderful city, the local businesses that keep people going downtown, not passing through it.

Thank you for your time and consideration!



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