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Hello Councilwoman Kahlow,

We would like to voice our concerns about possibly eliminating parking on 3rd and 4th Streets between Cass and La Crosse Streets. We believe that the on-street parking is vital for the businesses to prosper on those streets. On Saturdays, with the change to charging for ramp parking, there are many fewer cars in the ramp and street parking is already full. Eliminating street parking, we believe will reduce the number of people who will want to go downtown to try and run in to pick something up or shop for even 1 hour, especially given how the ramp fees are structured hourly and with a 43% fee added for 1 hour.

When I have ridden my bicycle from Cliffwood Lane to the Gundersen campus, I would take the side streets rather than the bike lanes on State Road/Jackson Street to avoid the heavy car traffic. Going down town, I would avoid Cass Street to go on King Street with the less car traffic. Even with bike lanes, I avoid high car traffic roads. Much safer I believe.

A better plan might be to put a bike lane going south on Front or Second Street and going north on 7th Street.

I hope you will support keeping street parking on 3rd and 4th Streets to support the business on those streets and making it easier for your constituents to keep shopping downtown.

Thank you for your consideration,

Jo and Roger Kwong

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