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RE: University Ave Mobility Project (UAMP) plan

[Date]

Hello,

I am strongly opposed to the University Avenue Mobility Project (UAMP) plan, and hereby request that all aspects of the plan that would remove all parallel parking from University Avenue, create "transit-only" lanes, and fail to provide dedicated bike lanes be immediately and unequivocally removed from the plan.

I and numerous other North Park residents, business and property owners strongly object to these aspects of the UAMP, as detailed on the following web page: www.northpark.us/uamp/. This page provides a detailed overview of the UAMP, the current issues with University Avenue, the issues with the current plan, and proposes a much more practical solution that would achieve all stated goals of the UAMP while providing greater safety for pedestrians and cyclists, and better preserving the historic character and neighborhood feel of University Avenue in North Park. (I would be happy to also provide the contents of the aforementioned web page in pdf or email format if you prefer.)

I agree with the findings and recommendations of the above linked web page and suggest that the street configuration proposed there (which was taken from the North Park Community Plan Update, and which is very similar to the configuration used on nearby streets such as 30th Street, Adams Avenue, and University Avenue East of the 805) be used for the UAMP.

As a North Park resident, I was not previously informed of the UAMP nor given any opportunity to oppose its design decisions. Regardless of whether aspects of the plan might now be considered as "already approved" or "not open to negotiation", the plan would create major negative impacts and has major flaws in its assumptions and data.

The job of government is to serve the people, and to take every reasonable step to inform all current residents when major changes of this nature are proposed, and to then confirm that a majority of residents in the area understand and agree to the proposed changes, before proceeding further with any such plan.

The sooner the UAMP can be fixed, the easier it will be to finalize and move forward with a plan that will truly be an improvement for North Park as a whole and all users of University Avenue, and that will have broad community support before, during, and after completion.

Thank you,