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To Whom Ever This May Concern,

I am writing you today in favor of Ordinance 230625.

As a citizen that lives along the extension of the streetcar, I think this ordinance is a great idea. Main Street has too many lanes of traffic that make it dangerous for anyone that uses the street, whether they are walking, biking, rolling, or driving.

The number of lanes makes it possible for people to weave between lanes, cut off other drivers, and speed down like they are in a drag race. This puts all other drivers on the street at risk but also makes crossing the road more dangerous and walking beside the road more dangerous. This only sucks value out of the street making it harder for small businesses, as fewer people are willing to spend any time on the street due to the risk to their life. But beyond just the safety concerns the current street configuration creates, having a design that allows cars in the street car lanes makes the investment we have put into the streetcar less effective. When the streetcar gets stuck in the same traffic as the cars it becomes inefficient and is harder for it to stay on schedule as is seen at several points along the starter line. If we dedicate a lane to the streetcar then it will allow it to run smoothly along the extension at all times making it a good people mover and a way to actually reduce traffic that we see on our streets.

Main Street has actually been enjoyable to be on the past year so, not considering the constant changing of driving lanes. The reduced traffic speeds have made life along the street better and I think it would be a smart thing for the council to make a three-lane street the permeate configuration.

That is why I am asking you to vote yes on Ordinance 230625.

Thanks,

Will Riley (4th District Resident)