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I strongly oppose this proposed ordinance. Enacting it would be in direct conflict with two of the City's stated goals of reducing vehicular and pedestrian fatalities (Vision Zero) and in reducing carbon emissions for the City.

I live three blocks from Gillham Road and I find the newly-installed bicycle lanes to be a safe and effective option for traveling downtown or to the Plaza. Nearly every time I walk, bike, or drive on Gillham, I see it in use, and it will only become more useful as the City develops a more comprehensive bicycle network.

All that being said, I am aware of the *perception* among some residents that the City is installing bicycle lanes at the expense of other street and sidewalk maintenance, but that is not the case and enacting this ordinance would do nothing to accelerate or promote needed ongoing maintenance. While more outreach is needed, this proposed ordinance is an extreme overreaction to that perception and should NOT be passed.

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