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My name is Peter Carnesciali, and I live in the 4th district of Kansas City, MO.

I strongly oppose ordinance 210966, as it will lead to unsafe conditions for those traveling by bicycle, and hurt equity, safety, and the city's goals of Vision Zero and reducing emissions.

I really appreciate the recent bike lanes that have gone in on Gillham. I do not have a car, and I get around primarily by bicycle. This new cycletrack makes me feel much safer while biking. I am afraid that ordinance 210966 could cause it to be removed, and I would be put at higher risk of being hit by a driver while biking.

With regards to improving sidewalks first, I don't think an area has to be perfect before any improvements can be made. Sidewalks are also a top priority for me, but pedestrians are welcome to walk in the bike lane when there's not a usable sidewalk. Requiring all sidewalks to be fixed first would effectively mean no progress can be made for safe cycling, which would put me at risk for being hit or killed by a driver.

Safety must be a top priority. I want to feel safe while traveling through our city.

- Peter Carnesciali