From: William Riley
To: Public Testimony
Subject: Please Oppose Ordinance #230092
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Dear City Council City Council,

I am asking you to oppose Ordinance 230092. The Truman Road protected bike lanes deserve to be preserved and completed. These bike lanes are actively making our city safer. If this city at all cares about the safety of its residents then it would stop trying to reverse bike lanes in general, but these bike lanes in particular. By reducing the road size and lanes you are reducing car speeds and conflict points. While it may add a more complex environment for drivers that is the type of environment that signals to them to slow down and be observant. This might cause a few more fender benders because when ever there is cars you cannot completely stop accidents, but all the accidents are a ton less likely to not to end in the loss of life. The current road design is a basically highway through the city and then you wonder why people speed and why it is so dangerous.

Another way that makes these bike lanes safer is it allows provides buffers between the people walking and biking, from the moving heavy metal boxes that are know to kill them.

Please reconsider ordinance 230092. This city deserves better infrastructure that does not serve the god of the personal car and starts serving the people. Truman Road does not need to be as big as it is, people deserve to be able yo traverse the city on foot or bike with out dieing, and by voting yes for this ordinance you are signing up for a city that says it is okay for people to die during vehicle accidents. I don't believe that is what you want, but that is the reality of leaving Truman road in the condition it was in before the bike lanes.

Regards,
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