

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2016 10:28 AM  
**To:** #CI-StPaul\_Ward3  
**Subject:** Support for Cleveland Ave bike lanes

Hi Chris:

I live just across the border in West St. Paul, but I commute by bike daily to downtown St. Paul (year round) and frequently use my bike for errands or other transportation in the city. I'm a 40-year-old father of two, and like most people who bike regularly, I can tell you numerous stories of times drivers have taken my life in their hands either through inattention or outright maliciousness.

I'm writing to support the Cleveland Avenue bike lanes, not so much that I'm a regular visitor to that area, but because I value the safety of all road users.

I'm deeply concerned that if, after all these years of work, the Cleveland Avenue component is derailed because of 11th-hour opposition by a vocal minority, the rest of the city's bike plan will suffer a similar fate. The safety, economic and health benefits of bike infrastructure are well documented and I'm sure you don't need me to belabor the point here.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the St. Paul bike plan and your overall efforts to make this a safer and more livable city for all of us.

Regards,

Ken Paulman