Dear Councilmembers:

I urge you to vote NO to the project as IS. The City needs to work with affected area's businesses and residents to minimize the negative impacts on them from the bike tracks implementation.

You may already receive my statement about the reasons why the bike tracks' implementation does more harm than good.

The federal grant received for the project DOES NOT include the bike tracks. The bike trail IS ATTACHED to the project's fund by the City's Mayor as a strategy to pass the Council's approval for the interest of his interest group only.

ONLY the Council can make a difference in this project for the better of ST. Paul's diverse communities.

You may table the proposal until further modification or reject it as is. The Mayor will negotiate with the Council later.

Again, thank you for your consideration.

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