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Subject: Please support these efforts to make our St. Paul streets safer for all users!

Dear Council Member Stark,

I'm writing in support of several items the City Council will be considering this evening, all of which have the potential to improve the safety of the streets they involve. Due to being on business travel, I'm unable to participate in the meeting tonight.

First, I encourage your support of the reduction of the speed limit on Otto Ave to 30mph would help to encourage drivers to reduce speeds to safer limits, which is particularly appropriate for and consonant with the newly installed bike-path on Otto, between W 7th and Shepard Rd.

Second, I hope you will support recommending to Ramsey County that a bike lane be installed on Edgerton.

Finally, I hope you can support the installation of BOTH East-bound and West-bound bikes lanes on Upper Afton Rd. Having attended the community meeting to discuss these lanes, and having biked myself on Upper Afton, I believe that having bike-lanes in both directions is truly the safer solution to the alternative that has been proposed of a bike-lane on only one side of Upper Afton. Narrowing of the main traffic lanes on Upper Afton would also help to slow the automobile travel speeds through this residential neighborhood, and make it safer for all road users.

Thanks for all you do for our City!

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