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Hi St.Paul City Council. I have worked, and have been part owner of Candyland for 47 years downtown St.Paul. Our number one complaint from our customers has been that there is not enough parking. Now you want to take more parking away. This will devastate our business, along with other small business on Wabasha Street. I have expressed this To the Capital City Bikeway Interm many times, and have never received a response to my questions. Where will our customers park? (Especially when they have to pick up there 20 tins of popcorn) Where will our handicap customers park? Where will our delivery drivers park? Where will our service drivers park? Where will our Uber Eats drivers park? Where will our Door Dash drivers park? Where will our Grub Hub drivers park. And like I have told Capital City Bikeway before, if you have to put a bike path in somewhere, because you want to waste money, (While the panhandlers harass, and threaten our customers and employees. And the homeless sleep in our doorway.) you could put it back on St Peter street, like originally planed, with little effect on anyone. Have a single lane of traffic, with a bike lane and two lanes of parking. There is very little traffic on St. Peter Street compared to Wabasha Street. It will be really sad for us, having to look at an empty bike path, in front of our store, everyday, 365 days a year, that might get used 120 days out of the year (Because of our Minnesota weather.). While our customers drive by, finding no place to park! Don't get me wrong, but I have been biking all my life, and have never had a problem, biking thru downtown "without" a bike path. Hope to hear from you soon . Thank You. Doug Lamb.