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**Subject:** Bike lanes should be higher priority than car parking

Greeting City Council,

One of your newer amendments is to drop the priority of bike lanes below that of car parking.

Let's not do that please.

We have tens of thousands of car parking spots in Missoula, and relatively few bike lanes. Bike lanes help people to bike, which lowers the need to drive everywhere all the time. Bike lanes also provide basic safety.

Biking, along with walking and transit, make us a more livable and resilient community. The storage of cars should not take precedence over the movement of people.

We can create bike lanes (regular, protected, buffered, raised) on the collector and arterial type streets, while still meeting the parking demands of the community.

This is all coming so quick. This type of amendment needs much more discussion than what has been done so far (none).

Thank you,

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