

From: Greg Gunther <Greg.Gunther.149921004@p2a.co>
Sent: Tuesday, July 2, 2019 3:42 PM
To: McDonald, Kevin <KMcDonald@bellevuewa.gov>
Subject: Main Street is the next intuitive connection in the Bellevue Bike Network

Dear Executive Secretary, Transportation Commission Kevin MacDonald,

I'm writing to encourage you to connect the Bellevue Bike Network today.

I live in neighboring Kirkland and come to Bellevue frequently for shopping and restaurants.

The current limitations to Bellevue's Bike Network are dampening Bellevue's economy. Personally, I care about seeing safe, simple, and connected bike routes implemented in downtown Bellevue. As you saw in April, the data on the 108th Ave bikeway is unambiguous: it works.

Making the intuitive connection between routes - for example, connecting Main Street to 108th Ave with a safe, all ages and abilities bike facility - is common sense. And with light rail coming to our city in just a few short years, we need to build multimodal connections today to give people options to get to and from the five forthcoming light rail stations, home, work, and places to recreate.

Protected and connected networks get more people - and more types of people - on bikes and getting to where they need to go. I hope the city keeps this in mind as designs are selected for Main Street.
Thank you for your work to ensure Bellevue realizes its vision for the Bellevue Bike Network.

Regards,
Greg Gunther
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Kirkland, WA 98034

From: James Riley <James.Riley.211439325@p2a.co>

Sent: Tuesday, July 2, 2019 4:18 PM

To: McDonald, Kevin <KMcDonald@bellevuewa.gov>

Subject: Main Street is the next intuitive connection in the Bellevue Bike Network

Dear Executive Secretary, Transportation Commission Kevin MacDonald,

I'm writing to encourage you to connect the Bellevue Bike Network today. I grew up in Bellevue, am now a homeowner and business owner in Bellevue, and boy have I noticed the changes. I am also a newer biker - for the past 3 years or so. Before that I never paid much attention to where bike lanes are or aren't. I've seen firsthand how biking benefits Bellevue's economy, connects our neighborhoods, and supports healthy living. I care about seeing safe, simple, and connected bike routes implemented in downtown Bellevue. As you saw in April, the data on the 108th Ave bikeway is unambiguous: it works.

Making the intuitive connection between routes - for example, connecting Main Street to 108th Ave with a safe, all ages and abilities bike facility - should be done. It will tie in with light rail as well quite nicely. Protected and connected networks get more people - and more types of people - on bikes and getting to where they need to go. Having been honked at for lawfully "sharing the road" on my bike, I personally know the importance of safe bike lanes. I hope the city keeps this in mind as designs are selected for Main Street.

Thank you for your work to ensure Bellevue realizes its vision for the Bellevue Bike Network.

Regards,

James Riley

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From: ADRIAN BEACH <ADRIAN.BEACH.94510605@p2a.co>

Sent: Tuesday, July 2, 2019 4:09 PM

To: McDonald, Kevin <KMcDonald@bellevuewa.gov>

Subject: Main Street is the next intuitive connection in the Bellevue Bike Network

Dear Executive Secretary, Transportation Commission Kevin MacDonald,

I'm a West Bellevue resident who commutes daily to 8th & 110th, a couple of blocks North of City Hall. I must admit, I'm quite discouraged by the save our lanes campaign by those who have no vision around the challenges of getting around Bellevue. I enter the core at 100th and 10th and proceed down 10th to my office. It is not easy riding 10th in either direction. When I use to commute to downtown Seattle there was at least some awareness and tolerance of cyclist, Bellevue is non-existent, save-our-lanes only makes the problem worse. Appreciate anything you can do to help.

Regards,

ADRIAN BEACH

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From: Mark Littrell <Mark.Littrell.187899297@p2a.co>

Sent: Tuesday, July 2, 2019 3:51 PM

To: McDonald, Kevin <KMcDonald@bellevuewa.gov>

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Thank you for your work to ensure Bellevue realizes its vision for the Bellevue Bike Network.

Regards,
Mark Littrell
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Bellevue, WA 98005

From: Steve Fantle <Steve.Fantle.93935597@p2a.co>

Sent: Tuesday, July 2, 2019 4:00 PM

To: McDonald, Kevin <KMcDonald@bellevuewa.gov>

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Thank you for your work to ensure Bellevue realizes its vision for the Bellevue Bike Network.

Regards,

Steve Fantle

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From: graham golbuff <graham.golbuff.92215713@p2a.co>
Sent: Friday, June 28, 2019 10:03 AM
To: McDonald, Kevin <KMcDonald@bellevuewa.gov>
Subject: Main Street is the next intuitive connection in the Bellevue Bike Network

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Regards,
graham golbuff
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From: Eric Evanson <Eric.Evanson.211209690@p2a.co>
Sent: Friday, June 28, 2019 9:37 AM
To: McDonald, Kevin <KMcDonald@bellevuewa.gov>
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Regards,
Eric Evanson
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Bellevue, WA 98004

From: John Otakie <John.Otakie.94112850@p2a.co>
Sent: Friday, June 28, 2019 8:20 AM
To: McDonald, Kevin <KMcDonald@bellevuewa.gov>
Subject: Main Street is the next intuitive connection in the Bellevue Bike Network

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Regards,
John Otakie
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Kent, WA 98032

From: Mary Wiegand <Mary.Wiegand.108444658@p2a.co>
Sent: Friday, June 28, 2019 6:47 AM
To: McDonald, Kevin <KMcDonald@bellevuewa.gov>
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Regards,
Mary Wiegand
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Clyde Hill, WA 98004

From: Tully Lanter <Tully.Lanter.94662760@p2a.co>
Sent: Thursday, June 27, 2019 8:43 PM
To: McDonald, Kevin <KMcDonald@bellevuewa.gov>
Subject: Main Street is the next intuitive connection in the Bellevue Bike Network

Dear Executive Secretary, Transportation Commission Kevin MacDonald,

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Regards,
Tully Lanter
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Redmond, WA 98052

From: Deborah Mahon <debi33@mac.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 12, 2019 8:50 PM
To: McDonald, Kevin <KMcDonald@bellevuewa.gov>
Subject: Main Street bike lanes

We live on Lake Wa Blvd NE just west of 100th and believe it is a horrible idea to put bike lanes on Main st. Please do not impose this on the citizens of Bellevue.
As explained by Todd Woosley a much better idea is to add bike lanes on NE 2nd.

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Please correct the situation at Northbound 108th and Main where accumulated wasted hours are in the thousands for the benefit of very few. Please give us back the right lane and right on red.

Furthermore, please provide me copies of the results from - The Bellevue Transportation Department used state of the art transportation modeling to determine the impacts of continuing to take away existing lanes on Main Street for dedicated bike lanes.

Deborah Mahon and Gregory Hubbart
9951 Lake WA Blvd NE #33, Bellevue WA 98004

From: Jeff Griffin <jeff-griffin@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 12, 2019 6:20 PM
To: McDonald, Kevin <KMcDonald@bellevuewa.gov>
Subject: Main Street Bike Lane's

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Jeff Griffin

From: a.baberwebb@gmail.com <a.baberwebb@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, June 5, 2019 9:52 PM

To: Council <Council@bellevuewa.gov>

Cc: McDonald, Kevin <KMcDonald@bellevuewa.gov>

Subject: Yes to Bicycle Lanes

Dear Council Members,

Please make Bellevue a safe place to ride bicycles.

I have lived here and witnessed Bellevue's growth in the past two decades. I have experienced the gridlock when it takes 45 minutes to drive 1.5 miles through town. So in the past couple of years I have been choosing to ride my bike more often especially during peak traffic hours.

I ride in the rain.

I ride to the grocery store.

I ride to doctor appointments.

I ride to restaurants for dinner.

Last week I road exactly 34 miles.

I am grateful for bike lanes and courteous drivers so I can ride safely.

Ideally I prefer dedicated paths for bikes and pedestrians, but whatever you can do that encourages bike riding is greatly appreciated.

Thank you,
Alison BaberWebb

From: Old Bellevue Merchants Association <oldbellevue@outlook.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 4, 2019 12:44 PM
To: Stu Vander Hoek <stu@vanderhoek.us>; Old Bellevue Merchants Association <oldbellevuemerchants@gmail.com>
Cc: McDonald, Kevin <KMcDonald@bellevuewa.gov>; Anna Flora <anna@annafloraconsulting.com>; Carl Vander Hoek <carl@cleverlydevelopment.com>; Terri Young <terri@vanderhoek.us>; council@bellevuewa.com
Subject: Re: Main Street Bike Lanes

Hi there-

We will send this out later this week, I received approval from the board. Please let me know if there is anything else that I can assist with.

Thank you,
Melissa

From: Stu Vander Hoek <stu@vanderhoek.us>
Sent: Thursday, May 23, 2019 4:26 PM
To: Old Bellevue Merchants Association
Cc: kmcdonald@bellevuewa.gov; Anna Flora; Carl Vander Hoek; Terri Young; council@bellevuewa.com
Subject: Fw: Main Street Bike Lanes

Fellow Old Bellevue Merchants and concerned neighbors,
I am forwarding you an email I received today. I have been aware of the City process for dedicating bike lanes on 108th Ave NE, with little regard for traffic capacity issues in my opinion. Now, the City is heading towards a decision to dedicate bike lanes on Main St., east of Bellevue Way. You can already see some of what it will look like along Main St. AT Bellevue Way where lanes have been reduced.

If you still need customers driving to get to and from in a good way, then please email kmcdonald@bellevuewa.gov now. The Transportation Commission is making their decisions now. It certainly looks to me like the City has decided what they want to do and are not facilitating much public involvement on this future capacity impacting situation. From my lifetime experience on Main St. and in downtown Bellevue planning, it is amazing to me how much lack of planning around moving various users of downtown and its neighborhoods has really been addressed long term.

Yours,
Stu

From: Bob Pishue <Bob.Pishue@kemperdc.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 23, 2019 2:25 PM
To: Carl Vander Hoek; Carl Vander Hoek; Stu Vander Hoek
Subject: Main Street Bike Lanes

Hi Stu & Carl –

Hope both of you are doing well. Just wanted to give you an FYI. The Eastside Transportation Association is pushing to have the council retain authority on the bike lanes proposed for Main Street. We need MUCH MORE discussion and involvement from neighborhoods on this issue.

The Transportation Commission hears this issue tonight (at the last meeting they said it would be June / that changed LAST WEEK and it is the sole item on today's agenda).

If you agree with our message (or just want to get the word out) please contact those you know along Main Street and around Bellevue and have them visit <http://www.saveourlanes.com>

Bob

From: susan amorosi <sueamorosi@msn.com>

Sent: Thursday, May 23, 2019 2:36 PM

To: McDonald, Kevin <KMcDonald@bellevuewa.gov>; Wu, Lei <LWu@bellevuewa.gov>; Bishop, Victor <VBishop@bellevuewa.gov>; Lampe, Scott <SLampe@bellevuewa.gov>; Woosley, Todd <TWoosley@bellevuewa.gov>; Marciante, Loreana <LMarciante@bellevuewa.gov>; Teh, Khek <KTeh@bellevuewa.gov>

Subject: Bike Infrastructure in Bellevue

23 May 2019

Dear Bellevue Transportation Commission:

Thank you for testing the pilot bike lanes on 108th Ave NE and finding that they work. I strongly agree that the 108th Ave NE bike lanes do work! They make bicycling much safer for those traveling north and south through the city. They also make Bellevue a happier community, because when people walk or bike they: a) get more exercise; b) socialize more and shop more; c) create a more trusting environment; and d) reduce traffic and vehicle emissions.

I hope the City of Bellevue will continue to grow the city's bike network, especially with an east-west connection. There is still more to be done to make bicycling in Bellevue safe and viable.

I want to personally thank you for what has already been done to make Bellevue safer and more enjoyable for bicycling. I have personally benefitted greatly in many ways and look forward to even more benefits in the future as the bike network grows.

Sincerely,
Sue Amorosi

From: Renay Bennett <renaybennett@msn.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 21, 2019 9:07 AM
To: Scott Lampe <scottlampe@msn.com>; kenr@nw-weather.net
Cc: davidslight@hotmail.com; McDonald, Kevin <KMcDonald@bellevuewa.gov>
Subject: RE: Extension of Main Street Bike Lanes from Bellevue Way to 108th

Hi Scott,

Thanks for the heads up. I was already aware of this and our Bellecrest Board has submitted a letter opposing these bike lanes. I have attached it for all of your reading pleasure. 😊

Bellecrest is rightfully opposed to this scheme. It is unbelievable to me that city staff would be promoting such an idiotic idea. Taking TWO LANES FROM MAIN STREET for .01% biking - if that, I have yet to see a biker along Main St. This is the 'Seattle effect' that has infested Bellevue and it is a real shame. We used to have thoughtful people guiding our city, but not so much anymore.

As you are well aware, this proposal will further increase cut through traffic on 108th, hurting both Bellecrest and Surrey Downs residents from access to our neighborhoods. As it is now, we can barely get out of our driveways during certain times of the day. You are also aware that Level of Service is in failure mode as of 2018 precisely because of the addition of the never used bike lane on Main St.

I hope that you will represent and support our neighborhoods livability and longevity by voting against this poorly thought out proposal.

Best regards,
Renay

From: Scott Lampe <scottlampe@msn.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 21, 2019 8:03 AM
To: kenr@nw-weather.net; renaybennett@msn.com
Cc: davidslight@hotmail.com; McDonald, Kevin <KMcDonald@bellevuewa.gov>
Subject: Extension of Main Street Bike Lanes from Bellevue Way to 108th

Ken and Renay,

As a former Surrey Downs resident I wanted to make you aware that this Thursday evening at 6:30 pm the city transportation commission on which I serve (this will actually be my last meeting) will be reviewing and making a recommendation to city council on the extension of the Main Street bike lanes east to 108th. This has implications for the operation of the 108th and Main intersection which affects both Bellecrest and Surrey Downs.

You may want to review the meeting agenda memorandum and the preliminary assessment for further information. There will, as always, be opportunity for public comment at the meeting if you would like to weigh in on this project affecting both of your neighborhoods. You can also send any comments to the commission liaison Kevin McDonald (kmcdonald@bellevuewa.gov) to make sure they are part of the public record.

<https://bellevue.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=7232480&GUID=E1F52729-58C7-4AE6-9797-A7D6518835C4>
<https://bellevue.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=7216217&GUID=E2F20448-8AFF-47B5-AF9F-BAF75A597B9D>

Let me know if you would like to discuss this further.

Best regards,
Scott

From: Renay Bennett
Sent: Tuesday, May 7, 2019 7:43 AM
To: council@bellevuewa.gov
Subject: Bellecrest Neighborhood Association concerns regarding bike lanes on Main St.

Dear Mayor Chelminiak and Bellevue City Council Members,

As long time partners in the preservation and protection of our community, we thank you for the most recent traffic mitigation that Bellecrest Neighborhood Association has received. (This is the same mitigation that Woodridge has received.) The traffic change at SE 16th and 108th AVE SE is working! Our cut through traffic has lessened considerably and we very much appreciate the improvement to our neighborhood safety. We do recognize a need for more enforcement, as there are some folks who seem not to be able to follow the rules, but we hope that with more police attention, this will right itself. We also want to sincerely thank Karen Gonzalez, John Murphy, and Marie Jensen for working so hard to make this happen. Without their strong support of our neighborhood safety and livability, this wouldn't have happened.

As you know, 108th AVE SE is a Lower Traffic Street, as termed in the Bike Map for Bellevue, and we support the use of our street for bike lanes to facilitate this connector to the downtown and pleasure riding. However, situated as we are between three major arterials (Bellevue Way, 112th AVE SE, Main St.), our cut through traffic has been very high, and we hope that it doesn't rise. Again, mitigation has helped, but with the continued development of downtown, and the arrival of Amazon, we are concerned about more traffic trying to get in and out of the downtown.

The city council will have a proposal before them to add additional bike lanes on Main St. from 106th AVE SE to 108th AVE SE on Main St. We are opposed to this proposal. There is a fixed amount of vehicle roadway available in the downtown, and there won't be any more of it. Main Street is a direct route between Bellevue Way and SR405 and should continue to facilitate traffic in and out of the downtown long into the future. Taking lanes from the most used mode of travel to give it to a very small mode just doesn't make sense and will, and has already, had very negative impacts on vehicle traffic movement.

As reported in the 2016, 2017, and 2018 Concurrency Update Report, the Level of Service calculations at the intersection of Bellevue Way/Main St. increased dramatically when the eastbound dedicated through bike lane on Main St. was added and the eastbound vehicle lane was converted from a through-right turn lane to a right turn lane only to accommodate the bike lane.

Report Year Level of Service Volume/Capacity (v/c) Letter Grade: 2016 0.74 C - 2017 0.74 C - 2018 0.96 E+

The large increase in v/c, the official metric for concurrency, validates the significant difference between the 0.74 v/c calculation (LOS C) for 2017 and 0.96 (LOS E+) for 2018. The only reason for this increase is the installation of the eastbound bike lane and removal of the second eastbound through vehicle lane, plus some modest development completion.

This is a real-life example of the dramatic impact of the removal of a vehicle travel lane on a critical major arterial. Please do not approve this proposal to make permanent the current bike lanes on Main St. from Bellevue Way to 106th AVE SE and do not increase them from 106th AVE SE to 108th AVE SE.

Sincerely,
The Bellecrest Neighborhood Association Board
Renay Bennett, President
Alan Smith, Vice President
Nanette Lescher, Secretary
Liz Hale
Claudia Bean-McIntosh

From: pltefft@gmail.com <pltefft@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, May 23, 2019 4:44 AM

To: McDonald, Kevin <KMcDonald@bellevuewa.gov>

Subject: Transportation Commission - Main Street Bike Lane Extension

Dear Members of the City of Bellevue Transportation Commission and City Council,

I am a resident of downtown Bellevue and I am writing this letter in support of extending the bicycle pathway on Main Street from 105th Avenue to 108th Avenue. I feel that a **connected** network of east-west and north-south bike trails will help bicyclists navigate the heavy traffic volumes in downtown Bellevue.

As a frequent traveler of Main Street, the new bike pathway that was installed recently at Bellevue Way works well, especially the dedicated right-turn lanes to Bellevue Way northbound and southbound. Also, I appreciate the City's "traffic calming" efforts on Main Street including the new four-way stop at 101st Avenue. The stop signs have helped both left-turning vehicles and pedestrians safely navigate this intersection.

As you know, vehicle traffic volumes on Main Street are quite heavy, especially during high school and commuter hours. I have observed more commuters who cut through our neighborhood on 100th Avenue and Lake Washington Boulevard. I feel that additional "traffic calming" on Main Street including extending the dedicated bike lanes will enhance both the safety and livability of our neighborhood.

In conclusion, I encourage both the Transportation Commission and City Council to approve this project.

Thank you.

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