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Ms. Erin Feehily, Associate Transportation Planner  
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RE: 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue Bike Lane Upgrade Project

Dear Erin and Bill:

I am writing to you on behalf of the Downtown Minneapolis Neighborhood Association in follow up to the presentation that Erin gave regarding the 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue Bike Lane Upgrade Project at our Land Use Committee meeting on April 3. Thank you very much to Erin for attending the meeting and providing a very informative update on the project.

After hearing the presentation, asking questions and having some discussion, the Land Use Committee passed the following motion:

*The DMNA urges the City to hold off on any street and bikeway improvements in this area until a comprehensive traffic study and plan has been completed.*

The DMNA Board of Directors met on April 16, and approved the Land Use Committee's motion.

The neighborhood and the DMNA are concerned about the impact of new development and growing traffic issues in this part of the Downtown East neighborhood. Specifically, community members are concerned about the intersection of 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, as well as the 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue approach to Washington Avenue. Both of these locations have experienced dangerous conflicts between cars, bicyclists and pedestrians. The DMNA requests that the City conduct a comprehensive traffic analysis of the area, and develop a plan that mitigates traffic congestion and pedestrian safety concerns in the area prior to installing any physical improvements on 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

Again, we appreciate Erin's presentation and her willingness to listen to the community's concerns. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please feel free to contact me at [christie@thedmna.org](mailto:christie@thedmna.org) or by phone at 320-583-4573.

Sincerely,

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CC: Ward 3 Council Member Steve Fletcher  
Joe Tamburino, DMNA Board Chair