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Hello,

My name is Yonathan M. and submitting commentary on motions to remove bike and bus lanes proposed by Jadeane Sica as well as revocation of MVCS Charter proposed by Ryan O' Malley

As a resident I have been able to use bike lanes to access the public Northern Strand trail that connects Malden Center to the East End of the city in order to access services such as patronize local businesses and fitness centers. I am also witness to how useful and beneficial the dedicated bus lanes along Centre St have been to bus riders on routes such as 411, 104, and 108, etc

I am unequivocally OPPOSED to any effort to regress such progress or remove such lanes as they have made the city easier to traverse and connect different neighborhoods of the city together.

Malden needs more infrastructure to support walkability, transit friendliness , and bikeability NOT less. It is outrageous how some portions of the city want to make Malden more inhospitable and hostile to residents who don't have access to vehicles.

I am also in support of O'Malleys motion to revoke MVCS charter as the school has been source of controversy for mistreatment of students of color. See below:

<https://www.aclum.org/en/cases/cook-v-mystic-valley-regional-charter-school>

Also the school has been detracting resources from city public schools such as Malden High as well as eroding local businesses in Maplewood that the city could have supported to have a 2nd downtown corridor of its own. Also the school has stepped out of bounds trying to support efforts to erode bike and bus lanes when so many school aged children in the city walk, bike, or take the bus to school anyways.

Thus ends my submission for Agenda 09/05.

Please respond at your earliest convenience to confirm submission of my comments for public record.

Thank you in advance.

Regards,
Yonathan M.

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