

Priscilla B. Grace
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July 13, 1994

I have just heard of the
proposal by Mass^{ts} Highway Dept.
to take lanes from Main St to
Memorial Drive. I want ^{to} be on
record in support of the plan. I
hope it happens.

Priscilla B. Grace

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Forrest Hall Selvig
244 Brattle Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138-4650

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24 June 1994

Cambridge City Council,
C/o City Clerk,
City Hall,
795 Massachusetts Avenue,
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139

In reference to bicycle lanes on Massachusetts Avenue.

Dear City Council Members:

I am writing to support the inclusion of bicycle lanes in the reconstruction of Massachusetts Avenue between Memorial Drive and Lafayette Square. I hope these lanes will be extended further along the major arteries in our city.

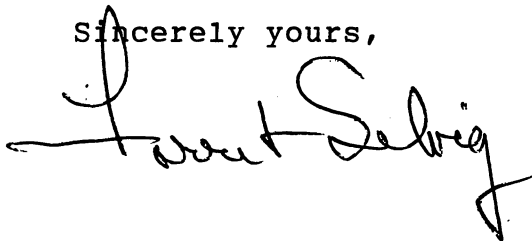
As you know, bicycles are non-polluting, they are noiseless, they do not make us dependent on foreign sources of energy. Their cost and maintenance puts them within reach of the vast majority of our citizens. They are also healthful, providing good exercise which might not otherwise be obtained.

The only negative to bicycling on our automobile-dominated thoroughfares is the danger to the bicyclist of collision with an automobile. As a bicyclist myself, I am always aware of this danger. I, and I am sure many other Cantabrigians, would ride the non-polluting bicycle into the most congested areas of the city if I felt I could do that safely. Lanes restricted exclusively to bicyclists, with restrictions enforced, will vastly increase our safety.

Nearly everyone at the public hearing at the Central Square Library last Tuesday evening was in favor of bicycle lanes. I am strongly in favor of them also. I hope that your request that bicycle lanes be included in this renovation is granted.

It is reassuring to know that city government listens to the citizens' voice.

Sincerely yours,



Consent Communication #3

**A comm. was received from Forrest Selvig
re: the bicycle lane construcion on
Mass Ave.**

IN City Council August 1, 1994

MS EVA MOSELEY
361 MT AUBURN ST
CAMBRIDGE MA 02138



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Cambridge City Council
to City Clerk
795 Mass. Ave.
Cambridge, MA 02139

26 June 1994

City Council:

This is a vote for bike lanes. Even if some parking spaces are lost, perhaps not so many will be needed, a bicycle takes up much less space than a car, does not pollute, & is healthier for the rider. I also think cyclists should be made to obey the rules — then they wd. not cause the resentment they elicit — often rightly — now.

Ewa Moseley



11 Garden Terrace
Cambridge, MA 02138
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June 24th 1994

Dear Cambridge City Councilors,

I write in great support of the planned bike lanes and bike racks that are part of reconstruction plans for Cambridge between Central Square and the River, even though it means loss of parking spaces.

I wonder if at the same time there is a way of creating a bus lane, perhaps one-way at a time, which would help more people move in and through the area, thereby making up for the customers lost through less parking spaces...if, in fact, on balance customers are going to be lost.

Quite apart from the concern about loss of business, which I think is valid, but which must be coped with in another way than by providing for the private car, I think it is desirable to improve the flow of less environmentally and socially damaging transport forms such as buses, bikes, and walkers as opposed to private cars.

Sincerely,

Pamela Stein

Consent Communication #4

A comm was received from Panda Stein re: ☐
the bicycle lane on Mass Ave.

In City Council August 1, 1994

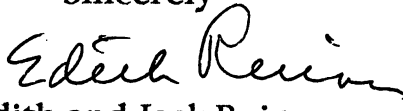
130 Mt. Auburn St. #409
Cambridge, MA 02138
June 23, 1994

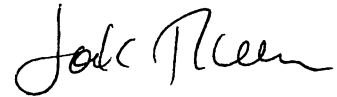
To whom it may concern:

We want to express our enthusiasm for the creation of bike lanes in Cambridge from Main St. to Memorial Drive. We hope this will be the beginning of the establishment of safe bike lanes throughout the city.

We are sending this expression of approval to the Cambridge City Council and to the Mass Highway Dept.

Sincerely


Edith and Jack Ruina



Consent Communication #8

A comm. was received from Edith
and Jack Ruina re: the bicycle lane
on Mass Ave.

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Kenneth Haynes
154 Auburn Street
Cambridge, MA 02139

Cambridge City Council
Attn.: Margaret Drury
Cambridge City Hall
795 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

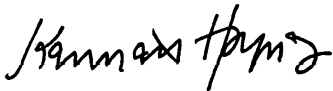
To the Members of the Cambridge City Council:

I encourage you to support the proposed bicycle lanes that would extend from the Harvard bridge almost to Central Square. You know that Mass. Ave. is heavily frequented by bikes, cars and people, and I'm sure you're also aware how aggressively some bicyclists and motorists ride and drive. It's the most basic principle of traffic safety to separate different kinds of traffic. The suggested bike lanes will be a great step forward in protecting all the types of traffic that use Mass. Ave.

Secondly, I am certainly in favor of making Cambridge friendly to bicyclists. Adding these lanes for bicycles along the most heavily trafficked street is an essential step in promoting the use of bikes. I take it that promoting bicycles is in all our interests – not least in helping the city to comply with the Clean Air act.

I would very much like to hear your views on the topic. If you believe that my concerns about creating safety and complying with environmental law are misplaced or can be met in other ways, I am eager to hear your point of view.

Yours respectfully,



Kenneth Haynes

Consent Communication #12

A comm. was received from Kenneth Haynes
regarding the proposed bicycle lanes on
Mass. Ave.

In City Council August 1, 1994

July 11, 1994

City Councillors
City Hall
Cambridge, MA 02138

Dear Sirs and Madams:

I am writing to ask that you support the Mass. Ave. from MIT to Lafayette Square Project recently proposed by the Cambridge Bicycle Committee. I am not a member of the Committee, but as a Cambridge resident and bicycle commuter, the project grabbed my interest as a viable and reasonable opportunity to make Cambridge a city that is safe on the streets for all travelers, bikers, automobile drivers, pedestrians and rollerbladers alike.

I don't think I need to repeat the benefits of improving the safety and opportunities for safe passage for traffic of all sorts on Cambridge streets. Creating a marked bike lane is an important first step to supporting those members of our community who are doing their part to reduce air pollution and vehicular traffic on our streets. Furthermore, it would encourage others to commute or travel by bike; I have often heard colleagues at work declare that they would commute by bike if they felt it was a safe alternative.

Please express your support for this project and for bicycling as a legitimate means of transportation. I have visited other U.S. cities that have successfully maintained marked bike lanes; I hope that Cambridge will follow suit.

Sincerely,



Bonnie Tai
863 Mass. Ave. #56
Cambridge, MA 02139

Content Communication #16

A communication was received from
Bonnie Tai regarding the proposed
bicycle lane on Mass. Ave.

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jae Hun Roh
20 Hubbard Ave, #7
Cambridge, MA 02140
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Cambridge City Council
c/o City Clerk
City Hall
795 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

Re: Mass. Ave. Bike Lane

Dear City Council:

I write in support of a recent proposal to add bicycling lanes to Massachusetts Avenue in Cambridge. As an MIT graduate student living in Porter Square, I depend upon my bicycle for daily trips to campus and for trips to local merchants, even though I recently bought a car. A bike lane on Mass Ave would be a great step towards improving the quality of life here in Cambridge.

I have spent the last several summers in Palo Alto, California. There, an extensive network of bike lanes vastly improves bicycling in the area, making it both safer for cyclists and more pleasant for motorists, who need not worry about cyclists dodging in and out of traffic. Unlike drivers on the west coast, who are accustomed to bicyclists on roadways, Boston area drivers largely refuse to accept the presence of bicyclists on public streets. A bike lane would go a long way towards fostering a peaceful coexistence between cyclists and motorists.

For the past several years I have lived in Cambridge without a car, and I depend upon local merchants. Therefore I am sensitive to concerns about the elimination of metered parking on Mass. Ave. I also wish for these local businesses to flourish, and I hope that alternative parking can be created. But personally, I am much more likely to stop in at a store on the way home if I am bicycling than if I am speeding along underground on the T, or driving by scanning for a rare unoccupied metered space.

Thank you for your attention, and I hope that you will support this proposal to make Cambridge a more friendly city for bicyclists.

Sincerely,

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jae Hun Roh

Consent Communication #17

A comm. was received from jae Hun Roh
regarding the proposed bicycle route on
Mass. Ave.

In City Council August 1, 1994

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Cambridge City Council
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RE: Bike Lanes on Massachusetts Avenue

Dear City Council Members:

We are pleased to hear that the City of Cambridge has requested that bike lanes be included in the reconstruction of Massachusetts Avenue from Lafayette Square to Memorial Drive.

As a Cambridge based company, many of our employees bicycle down Mass Ave. much of the year. Over the years we have heard many complaints about the difficulty of riding on Mass Ave. and have seen several unfortunate bicycle accidents. We are extremely pleased that the City of Cambridge finally plans to do something about this unsafe stretch of road.

The many bicyclists who use Mass Ave. every day will be grateful to you for making their commutes much more pleasant and their lives safer by approving the bike lanes as part of the reconstruction project.

Thank you very much.

Yours very truly,



Harry S. Fuller
Executive Vice President

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Consent Communication #2

~~A copy was received from Harry Fuller
Carol R. Johnson Associates re: Bicycle lane
construction on Mass Ave~~

Sundrie communications received in
support of the proposed bicycle route.

In City Council August 1, 1994

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