Hello,

I applaud the change to the design of the "ONE" bike/walk path as mapped on the DPW mailing dated Sept. 8th, 2017. In my opinion, this is a far better route than the earlier route which entered N Union at the corner of Loomis St.

I am in support of this change.

Thanks,

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DPW Commission Meeting Comments

Thank you Commissioners for including the friendly amendment in the July vote on the Wiggle. That amendment paved the way for further analysis and DPW has been very receptive and proactive in vetting alternatives brought forward by community members. Those efforts have led to the staff recommendations before you tonight which embrace one of the alternatives as way to have a less impactful implementation of the Greenway.

I would additionally like to acknowledge and thank the DPW, and Chapin Spencer in particular, for their willingness to listen and consider alternatives during the implementation of the ONE Wiggle. This level of cooperation is greatly appreciated and will prove invaluable as the city moves forward with Implementation of Plan Walk Bike BTV.

The implementation phase of the ONE Wiggle has demonstrated that a collaborative effort to develop creative solutions during the implementation phase of these projects can improve the ultimate execution while avoiding unnecessary community resistance. The work done since the last Commission meeting demonstrates the benefits of a collaborative process between all stakeholders in a project.

I am grateful to the DPW for their openness and flexibility in moving this project forward and am confident that the lessons learned in this implementation will help assure successful implementation of future segments of the Walk Bike Plan. I urge the Commission to approve the revised recommendations from staff and I fully support the implementation of this revised route.