



## REPORT/RECOMMENDATION

<b>To:</b> MAYOR AND COUNCIL	<b>Agenda Item</b> <u>VIII. A.</u>
<b>From:</b> DEBRA MANGEN CITY CLERK	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Action</b>
<b>Date:</b> JUNE 5, 2012	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Discussion</b>
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Information</b>
<b>Subject:</b> CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED SINCE LAST COUNCIL MEETING	

**INFORMATION/BACKGROUND:** Attached are copies of e-mails and letters received since the last Council meeting.

May 29, 2012

James Hovland, Mayor  
City of Edina  
4801 50th St W  
Edina, MN 55424

Dear Mayor Hovland:

Each year, the Metropolitan Council prepares population and household estimates as of April 1 of the previous year. Local governments are invited to review and comment on the preliminary estimates. The Council will certify final estimates by July 15 for State government use in allocating local government aid and local street aid.

**The Metropolitan Council estimates that the City of Edina had 48,262 people and 20,848 households as of April 1, 2011. Household size averaged 2.30 persons per household.**

With this letter, the Council is reporting the data inputs used to develop the preliminary estimates for your community. Starting with Census 2010 counts, the Council estimates current population and households through changes in the housing stock, occupancy rates and persons per household. Input data sources include the U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey, and housing stock data, manufactured home parks, and group quarters data collected by Metropolitan Council Research. For more information on the Council's population estimates model, please visit the Council's website at <http://stats.metc.state.mn.us/stats/pdf/EstimatesMethod.pdf>, or contact Baris Gumus-Dawes at 651-602-1331.

Importantly, the Council has redesigned our estimation process this year to use Census 2010 counts as a base year, or starting point. Thus, Census 2010 largely governs the estimates we share today. If you think that some aspect of the Census 2010 counts is in error, the Census Bureau has established a Count Question Resolution process. Questions and appeals to the Census Bureau must be submitted by the end of May 2013. For more information on Census 2010 counts, please visit the Bureau's website at <http://2010.census.gov/2010census/about/cqr.php>

Council staff welcomes discussion of the 2011 preliminary estimates. ***Under Minnesota Statutes 473.24, the Metropolitan Council must receive your comments, questions or specific objections, in writing, by June 25.*** Please send any written comments or questions to Baris Gumus-Dawes, Metropolitan Council Research, 390 Robert Street North, Saint Paul, MN 55101; or by e-mail to [baris.dawes@metc.state.mn.us](mailto:baris.dawes@metc.state.mn.us)

Sincerely,



Todd Graham  
Principal Demographer

## 2011 Annual Population Estimates

### **Edina city, Hennepin County, Minnesota**

Households:	20,848	Population in Households:	48,020	Average Household Size:	2.303
Housing Total:	22,621	Population in Group Quarters:	242		
Occupancy Rate:	92.16%	Total Population:	48,262		

The Council's Annual Estimates account for housing stock changes since April 1, 2010. These include housing units permitted and other changes. Other changes are due to demolitions, building conversions (units added or lost), city boundary changes (units annexed in or out), and other changes reported by city and township staff. The Council assumes that 85% of multifamily and 95% of single-family-detached units permitted in 2010 were completed by April 1, 2011; the remainder are assumed occupiable later.

Manufactured homes are counted each year from Metropolitan Council surveys of manufactured home park operators and local governments. Other housing (boats, RVs, etc. used as housing) is an estimate from the most recent American Community Survey estimates.

	<u>Housing Stock</u> <u>April 1, 2010</u>	<u>Newly built</u> <u>since 2010</u>	<u>Other changes</u> <u>since 2010</u>	<u>Housing Stock</u> <u>April 1, 2011</u>
Single-family-detached:	12,804	33	-37	12,800
Townhomes:	1,272	0	0	1,272
Duplex, 3-, 4-plex units:	447	0	0	447
Multifamily units:	8,037	65	0	8,102
Manufactured homes:	0			0
Other (boats, RVs, etc. used as housing):	0			0
<b>Housing Stock Total:</b>	<b>22,560</b>			<b>22,621</b>

Each housing type will have a specifically estimated occupancy rate and average household size. Starting with the 2011-12 cycle, the primary data are the most recent American Community Survey estimates, calculated and adjusted as described in the Council's methodology, available online at <http://stats.metc.state.mn.us/stats/aboutestimates.aspx>

Definitions: A household is a group of people (or one person alone) occupying a housing unit.  
The number of occupied housing units and the number of households are equivalent.  
Population in Group Quarters (or institutional housing) is counted separately through an annual Metropolitan Council survey.

	<u>Housing Stock</u> <u>April 1, 2011</u>	<u>Occupancy</u> <u>Rate 2011</u>	<u>Occupied with</u> <u>Households</u>	<u>Persons Per</u> <u>Household</u>	<u>Population</u> <u>in 2011</u>
Single-family-detached:	12,800	92.99%	11,903	2.755	32,794
Townhomes:	1,272	92.99%	1,183	2.755	3,259
Duplex, 3-, 4-plex units:	447	88.67%	396	1.404	556
Multifamily units:	8,102	90.92%	7,366	1.549	11,411
Manufactured homes:	0	0.00%	0	2.609	0
Other:	0	Counted only if occupied	0	1.400	0
<b>Housing Total:</b>	<b>22,621</b>		<b>20,848</b>	<b>In Households:</b>	<b>48,020</b>
		<b>Households:</b>		<b>In Group Qtrs:</b>	<b>242</b>
				<b>Total Population:</b>	<b>48,262</b>

## **Local Population Counts and Census – a workshop for local governments.**

**Local Population Counts and Census** is a 2.5 hour workshop. It will be offered at two locations:

- June 14, 2:00 – 4:30 pm, at Ridgedale Library, Meeting Room 172, 12601 Ridgedale Dr, **Minnetonka**
- June 18, 2:00 – 4:30 pm, at Metropolitan Council, Meeting Room LLA, 390 North Robert Street, **St. Paul**

### ***The first half of the workshop will cover: Reviewing Census 2010 and Count Question Resolution. (2:00 – 3:15)***

Census population counts for 2010 are the culmination of a great effort by the US Census Bureau and a high level of public participation. Still, the Census Bureau acknowledges that the new data could include scattered errors and undercounts. (<http://2010.census.gov/2010census/about/cqr.php>) Errors can occur where the Census used inaccurate geographic boundaries or inaccurate geocoding of addresses. Miscounts also result from exclusions or duplications due to Census processing errors.

Metropolitan Council staff are offering technical advice for local governments that want to analyze and evaluate 2010 Census results. The workshop will introduce the Census's Count Question Resolution (CQR) process and provide guidance on how to prepare a count challenge and present supporting evidence. Between now and May 2013, the Census Bureau is accepting questions and "challenges" from local governments that suspect their local enumeration counts are in error.

For local governments, the post-2010 CQR process now puts the ball in your court. Local governments are responsible for questioning and challenging Census count problems.

### ***The last hour of the workshop will cover: Local Population Counts, 2011 and beyond. (3:30 – 4:30)***

Each year, the Metropolitan Council estimates local population and households (Minnesota Statutes 473.24). Data on housing stock, occupancy rates and persons per household inform the calculation of estimates. Importantly, the estimation process has been re-programmed this year with new calculations, and using Census 2010 counts as a base year, or starting point.

Local governments received preliminary estimates in late May, and have opportunity in June to review and comment on the preliminary estimates. In this workshop, Council staff will review the estimates calculations and data sources.

**Space is limited. Please RSVP** for the workshop date/location of your choice:  
<http://metro council.eventbrite.com> or email [research@metc.state.mn.us](mailto:research@metc.state.mn.us)

May 21, 2012

James Hovland, Mayor  
Scott Neal, City Manager  
4801 West 50<sup>th</sup> Street  
Edina, MN 55424

Dear Jim and Scott,

I am not certain who this should be addressed to so I will send a copy to each of you. I live at 7056 Cahill Road. As I exit the town house complex onto Cahill, the vision to the north is not the best as the southbound cars are coming over a rise. There is a bush growing to the north of this exit. That bush extends over the sidewalk, further impeding the ability to discern when a car is coming from the north, creating a hazard.

Is it legal for the bush to be growing past the edge of the sidewalk? Is there a legal liability for the City of Edina if an accident should occur because of the impeded vision caused by this bush? The bush only extends about a foot over the sidewalk but the hazard that exists will result in an accident at some time.

Best Regards,



Jim McMerty

May 24, 2012

Mayor James Hovland  
City Manager Scott Neal  
City of Edina  
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Edina, Minnesota 55424

Re: Request for Reasonable Accommodation in Housing

Dear Mayor Hovland and Mr. Neal

In contacting HUD, I found out it is necessary for me to make this request prior to a filing of a formal complaint. This is my formal request to provide reasonable accommodations in housing by granting me a pet permit for 4 dogs in the city of Edina.

I have submitted to the City of Edina medical letters in support of my request for the ownership, housing and training of four dogs as a means of maintaining my physical and mental wellbeing. These requests have been rebuffed despite the city's support of the health of its residents as evidenced in the monthly magazine and goals of the city.

The Mayor in public hearings has supported this request subject to public safety and letters of support from the Veteran's Administration. Letters have been provided to the city. Council members have been invited to attend trials so they could personally see the level of risk for the public safety. Not a member of the council bothered to attend or even respond to my invitation. Furthermore my appeal was to the council and I got a letter signed by the City Manager but written by someone else in the bureaucracy. I asked for a copy of the letter and it can't be found. Basically I have been blown off by the city, even though I have contributed over \$40,000 in property taxes in the last 10 years.

The Pomeranian last year was the top ranked AKC Agility preferred breed champion and was ranked 18 in her height. She ran 10<sup>th</sup> in the AKC nationals in Reno before blowing out both patellas. She was legitimately the 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> dog in the competition. She has had surgery on both legs and is in rehab. There is no guarantee that she will ever run again. She won the National CPE Standard in June last year.

Gypsy is 11 years old and is no longer able to compete successfully in AKC. She has been retired.

Bogart is going on 10 years and perhaps has a year left to compete. He was the number 2 dog in his height at the CPE Nationals and was ranked 4<sup>th</sup> in his breed in AKC last year. He is currently the number 2 Chinese Crested in AKC.

It takes approximately 5 years of training to compete at this level.

The training of these animals have resulted in a loss of 50 pounds in weight and a return to normal of my triglycerides, cholesterol, and blood pressure. It has also been reflected in my mental attitude. These results have been documented by the Veteran's Administration and provided to the city. The exercise involved in this sport also contributed to a reduction of \$400 in my life insurance premiums.

I have held off making this request because in December 2011 I was asked to foster a Chinese Crested puppy taken from a hoarder in southern Minnesota. My neighbors Dr. Handler and his wife, who are gone from January 1 to April 15 and have objected to my having four dogs in the past, were approached to see if they would object to the overlap of approximately 15 days while they were here. They didn't and I had the puppy for 3 ½ months before he was placed in Rochester. Before they left for their vacation I asked Dr. Handler if he had been disturbed by the dogs and he said no. I then asked them if they had experienced any problems with my existing three dogs during the past year and they indicated they had not. The point is that I have already had four dogs on a relatively long term basis without any adverse effect on anybody.

In my townhome section, the Handlers are gone for 3 ½ months, the person to the south of me has two homes and is only here when he has guests. The next person works in Chicago and San Francisco and is only here a couple weekends a month. The next couple lives here only 6 months in the summer. Of the next five, four live here permanently but I see them rarely and the fifth is used as an office. The end couple is gone 6 months of the year.

The reaction from one of my neighbors, one councilmember and the police department is that I should just move. The cost of such a move ranges at \$50,000 to \$75,000 because of the deteriorating value of my home in this economy. This cost would not be covered by medical insurance or the Veteran's Administration.

Further I don't believe it is appropriate to have to have to euthanize my elderly dogs to make a place for a new dog to conform to the 3 dog arbitrary limit unevenly enforced in the City of Edina. There are currently homes that have up to 6-8 pets which are not cited and because I choose to go through the appropriate channels I am discriminated against.

For my medical health both physical and mental I am requesting that the City of Edina make reasonable accommodations and grant a license for four dogs. I am asking that this be done within the next 21 days so I don't have to file a complaint with HUD.

I am sincerely sorry that I have to go to such extremes to maintain my health and well-being, but it seems that I am ignored in my city and my life is important to me.

Sincerely,

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Councilperson Mary Brindle  
Councilperson Josh Sprague  
Councilperson Ann Swenson

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Richard and Judy Speers  
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John and Janet Bohan  
John Harris

**From:** Solvei Wilmot  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 31, 2012 12:24 PM  
**To:** 'sara.a.harkess@usps.gov'  
**Cc:** Wayne Houle; ED City Council  
**Subject:** refuse hauling

Ms. Harkess:

Thank you for taking the time to contact the City regarding refuse hauling. It is an issue that the Energy and Environment Commission (a Council appointed Commission) and the Edina City Council have reviewed within the past year. It is not an easy issue to resolve. There is a state law that regulates how a City proceeds with changing to a single hauler contracted by the City.

Minnesota State Statute 115 A.94 regulates the process for changing to a single hauler by a city (called organized waste collection). It outlines the public hearing process a city would be required to follow. At a minimum, the hearing process would take 191 days; however, it could take over a year. During the hearing process, the haulers and citizens would be able to voice their support for whichever collection process they favor. The Council would then hear those opinions and weigh the information to make an informed decision.

I hope this information is helpful.

Thank you for sharing your interest in keeping Edina safe and green.

Sincerely,



**Solvei Wilmot, Environmental Health Specialist I/Recycling Coordinator**

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**From:** Emilie Kastner on behalf of Edina Mail  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 29, 2012 1:46 PM  
**Subject:** FW: MMAA@Grandview

This message has been forwarded to all members of the City Council.



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**From:** Shannon Ingham [<mailto:shanningham@gmail.com>]

**Sent:** Tuesday, May 29, 2012 10:19 AM

**To:** Edina Mail

**Subject:** MMAA@Grandview

The city of Edina should consider acquiring the permanent collection of the Minnesota Museum of American Art as the focal point of the Grandview Development. The proposed site near Hwy 100 and 50th street, at Gus Young Road and Interlachen would be the perfect location for a new museum.

The Minnesota Museum of American Art has been stored away for too long. It is now at risk of following the same cycle of temporal displays and having its permanent collection demoted to stored artifacts. The staff and board of the MMAA are planning on eventually returning the permanent collection, after continued storage, to an office suite gallery in downtown St. Paul, the same venue that the collection has already failed. It would make sense that for the good of the entire state of Minnesota that the MMAA would seek a museum venue for the Minnesota Museum of American Art, one with a high potential for success. After all the word museum is in the title and so in its history the intentions must have been made clear it belongs in its own museum building.

Susan Howl

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**From:** Emilie Kastner on behalf of Edina Mail  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 29, 2012 2:26 PM  
**Subject:** FW: Edina Emerald Energy Program

This message has been forwarded to the Mayor and City Council members.



**Emilie Kastner, Communications Assistant**

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**From:** George Tourville [<mailto:gtourville@sehinc.com>]

**Sent:** Tuesday, May 29, 2012 12:20 PM

**To:** Edina Mail

**Subject:** Edina Emerald Energy Program

Mayor Jim Hovland & Edina City Council:

Congratulations, on your "Environmental Initiative Award" last Thursday. You can be proud of the "Edina PACE" program and the enthusiasm and interest it has caused for additional Minnesota cities and counties who are considering PACE programs also. Your Leadership and Innovation sets a great example for the Environmental Initiative, Sustainability Goals and GreenStep Cities. Job well done..! Thanks

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**From:** Lynette Biunno on behalf of Edina Mail  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 30, 2012 10:57 AM  
**Cc:** Susan Howl  
**Subject:** FW: Edina Emerald Energy Program



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Importance: High

**From:** Starr, Jim [<mailto:JimStarr@edinarealty.com>]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 21, 2012 8:43 AM  
**To:** Edina Mail  
**Subject:** 2nd/3rd Rate Tree Trimming Job in Edina = Looks Horrible  
**Importance:** High

Edina City Council Members-

I'm writing with disgust and total amazement at what is taking place with the utility tree trimming job going on in Edina currently by Asplundh Tree "Experts" within our city.

I noticed this company has plenty of job site employees and trucks out and about (and has since early Spring) but it is not terribly difficult to see the trail of butchering that is taking place all over our area of the City. I first noticed this company working along Interlachen Boulevard and watched often as they appeared to be doing heavy removal and also sitting around like aimless contract workers plotting their next attack but now they have crept into our neighborhood to the West of Highway 100 off of Interlachen Blvd/Brookside Avenue and are continuing to leave their mark of destruction - like a horrible amateur tattoo artist mucking up the landscape. I'm not pretending to be the Lorax of Edina or anything but it is laughable what is taking place.

I'm not sure if this company is billing hourly, contract, by volume, or other but something needs to be done to put a stop to this ridiculous effort. I thought in years past the City of Edina was contracted with Davey Tree or another/other reputable companies who know what they are doing but whatever the situation is, someone clearly needs to reconsider who our City contracts with for this utility clearing - it is an amateur job at best to say the least and should be left up to a company who knows what they are doing. In addition to this work taking place, they have spent a better part of 3 weeks in our neighborhood alone - a neighborhood that is not very big (so hopefully they are not hourly) and have left piles of limbs/brush on lawns for 4-7 business days affecting/partially killing off grass and other landscape of private homeowners - not to mention a couple whole maple tree removals that were beautiful trees now missing along the Dan Patch corridor off of Brookside Avenue. I've attached just a couple pictures from our neighborhood taken this morning to show just a small sample of their expert work. Can we do anything about this?

Shocked and Dismayed,  
Jim Starr  
5025 Edinbrook lane  
Edina, MN 55436  
612-247-5898





Susan Howl

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**From:** Lynette Biunno on behalf of Edina Mail  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 30, 2012 1:06 PM  
**To:** Solvei Wilmot; Wayne Houle  
**Cc:** Susan Howl  
**Subject:** FW: Question

Good afternoon,

This message has been forwarded to the Mayor and Council members, Wayne Houle and Solvei Wilmot.



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**From:** Harkess, Sara A - Eagan, MN [<mailto:sara.a.harkess@usps.gov>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, May 30, 2012 11:38 AM

**To:** Edina Mail

**Subject:** Question

Dear City of Edina,

I have lived all over the world and have recently purchased a home in Edina. When I found out that there were several choices of garbage pickup for my area I was appalled. Everywhere I have lived, there is one garbage service. I simply cannot believe that a upscale city such as Edina would allow several oversized vehicles to come down my street to pick up a few garbage containers here and there. The trucks are large, noisy, smelly, and the worst part is that the roads end up suffering from the unnecessary abuse. On a side note, the children are getting out of school for the summer and it seems to me that it is unnecessary for several large trucks to be running through the neighborhoods where it would be so much quieter, cleaner, and less dangerous for just one truck to do the same job as 5 or 6. In these times of "going green" it seems like is a big step in the wrong direction.

I understand next year I will be assessed for the repair of the roads in my area and after they are repaired I would really like to see only one garbage truck going through. I am sure that the garbage vendors are not going to be helping me with my assessment.

Let's go green and simplify the garbage service!

Tired of the noise, pollution, and road damage,

*Concerned Citizen,*

*Sara Harkess*

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Mayor Hovland and City Council members:

We have some very unique and great public art being installed. Bruce Stillman and Heidi Hoy are two artists who have contributed some special pieces. Bruce has his own equipment - a large truck with a crane and has delivered his sculpture as well as Heidi's.

"Oxymoron," a kinetic piece is at the Gateway on the Promenade and "Jack" is a guitar player in bronze and is on a very large boulder on the Promenade opposite the Guitar Center.

Here is a quote from someone who lives in the area Diane Kulbeck: "I just love Oxymoron and that is the perfect spot for it! Every time I walked past it over the weekend people were around it and talking about it. Men seem to really enjoy it, too, and were trying to figure out what makes the parts move!"

There are two sculptures to be installed yet - which will be complete by the end of the week.

The opening reception for the artists invitation will be sent soon. The date is: June 20, 2012 at Pinstripes 5-7 p.m.

Thank you!

Lois Ring, Chair Edina Public Art Committee

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Barbara La Valleur ([barbara.lavalleur@gmail.com](mailto:barbara.lavalleur@gmail.com)) has shared the following blogpost from Edina Patch:



**Edina Sculptures: More Than Meets the Eye**

A peek behind the scenes of sculptures on The Promenade, Grandview Square Park and 50th &...

By Barbara La Valleur

I thought you might be interested in this Blog Post from the Edina Patch.

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**From:** Emilie Kastner on behalf of Edina Mail  
**Sent:** Friday, May 25, 2012 9:02 AM  
**Subject:** FW: Southdale  
**Attachments:** Valley Fair 1; Valley Fair 2; Valley Fair 3

This message has been forwarded to the Mayor.



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**From:** Neil Weber [<mailto:nw@weberarchitects.com>]

**Sent:** Friday, May 25, 2012 5:57 AM

**To:** Edina Mail

**Cc:** 'Kevin Staunton'

**Subject:** Southdale

Dear Mayor Hovland....

I see in today's paper there is a quote about Southdale which states that it is the "the nation's first enclosed shopping mall". While I certainly admit that this type of trivia is not real important ...but it is fun. I believe that statement is not correct. I am an architect in the metro area who was born and raised in Appleton, Wisconsin. I do believe that Southdale was the second enclosed mall. Valley Fair shopping center in Appleton was the first. Southdale is the oldest....since Valley Fair has been torn down.

Again there are more important items to discuss...but as said ...this is fun.

Valley Fair had its groundbreaking on 1 July 1953 with it's grand opening on 16 March 1955. Southdale broke ground on 29 October 1954 and had it's grand opening on 8 October 1956. While Valley Fair was much smaller in size than Southdale, it was built and opened earlier than Southdale.

I do hope that you understand this all does not upset me and I am saying this with a smile....and some pride for my home town.....

Have a good weekend.

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**From:** Emilie Kastner on behalf of Edina Mail  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 22, 2012 3:19 PM  
**Subject:** FW: smart meters

This message has been forwarded to all members of the Edina City Council.



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**From:** m r [<mailto:marykross@yahoo.com>]

**Sent:** Monday, May 21, 2012 7:56 PM

**To:** Edina Mail

**Subject:** smart meters

To City Council:

Due to health reasons, I'm unable to contend with continual pulsed radio frequency radiation emitted from smart meters. Please respond with how you will allow me to continue using my functioning analog meter.

Please do your research on why Marin Cty & other communities will not install them.( Center Point is not a neutral source).

Thank you, Mary K Ross

Sorry, unable to respond prior to 4/17.

Re: Grandview District

Please consider placing a pedestrian crosswalk across Eden Ave at intersection with Grandview Square.

Cars coming from Ave., around the curve amp up their speed, as well as those on Eden Ave. going to Ave. Many times it is quite difficult to cross the street, where it is possible to walk in back of the family medical building, directly to Jerry's. It would be great for the Senior Citizens from the condo buildings if we could all walk instead of going by car. Good exercise!!!

Also, please review the south access to highway 100 from Eden Ave. and the ramp from Vernon Ave. That is an accident waiting to happen area. The cars come speeding down the Vernon Ave. ramp, heading south, at such rapid speeds and the angle to look over one's shoulder is so tight when entering from Eden Ave. that one takes their life in their hands at every use. There must be a way to slow or place a stop sign on Vernon ramp where it merges with Eden Ave ramp.

General Comment: the Baby Boomers are coming, this area will attract them. The planning of this area for the future should be to make this 1) senior "friendly" and 2) for safe senior mobility.

If you wish to really think radically: think modified golf cart mobility; the ability to go by golf cart from the senior citizen's building (across from Jerry's) to Wells Fargo, to Jerry's, to the shops in the strip mall. From the condos and residences behind the condos; from any new residential units that might be included in your new plans. Think outside the box. Be innovated! Try something new. Be the first in the nation to recognize that the older generation, while giving up their autos, can still maneuver with golf carts, even in MN. There are restaurants (could maybe use another), bank, drug store, tailor, hardware, liquor, UPS, ladies shop, hair, physical fitness, medical building, offices, auto repair, service stations; heck we even have the funeral home. THE AREA AROUND THE EDEN AVE. AND VERNON AVE. INTERSECTION IS SELF CONTAINED!!!! It would be nice if one could get around without always using a car; by using bicycles, walking, and, yes, even golf carts.

May your minds be open!

[digu007@comcast.net](mailto:digu007@comcast.net)

**Subject:** Bike Plan for 54th St & Wooddale

Dear Council members and Mayor Hovland,

My Name is Jeff Terwilliger. I live at 5346 Oaklawn Ave.

I have lived in Edina pretty much my whole life. I went to Cornelia. Graduated from Edina East ('79) and have owned 2 residences in Edina since 1986. I currently lived in the area of the proposed bikeways for 19 years. I also served a year on the Bike Edina Task Force under Steve Rusk.

I was unable to make last weeks council meeting when the proposed bike lane plans were presented to the Council members followed by a time for public comment. I did however tune into channel 16 and watched a replay of the meeting yesterday morning.

Some of the public comments requesting that the council reject the proposed plan prompted me to write you all.

First of all, I AM IN FULL SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED PLANS for 54th St and Wooddale Ave. As a person who has commuted exclusively by bicycle for the past 25 years, this plan was over-due.

In those 25 years of commuting and recreational riding, I have had cars pass within 24 inches of my handlebars on an almost weekly basis (well within the legal 3 ft). I've been honked and yelled at to "Get of the streets." And why? In my experience, I believe it's drivers that don't understand that cyclists have a right to share space on the road with them. It's their way of physically voicing their opinion (using their car as their voice) to tell me that I don't belong in the street. It's a very stressful/fearful position to be put in as an adult, let alone a child or teen on a bike.

In the meeting, I heard concerned residents say things like...

- "I remodeled my house as a place for guests and our kid's friends to come to." "If people can't park on the 54th, that's a issue."
- "I'm concerned for the safety of my children playing in our yard if there's a bike lane in front of my house."
- If the lanes are narrowed to 7 ft, I will no longer feel safe in my car.

What I'd like the council to think hard about when you cast your vote to either approve (or disapprove) of these plans, are the following:

- The public safety of Edina residents who choose a bike as their mode of transportation (whether it's commuting to work, school or recreationally riding) should take precedence over minor parking inconveniences.
  - A driver surrounded by 3,000 - 5,000 lbs of steel will always win when confronted with a completely exposed cyclist perched on 20 lbs of tubing. Usually with fatal results.
  - Cyclists (of all ages) need to feel safe on our own roads. Whether it's commuting to work, picking up groceries, going to school or going to their neighborhood parks.
  - Drivers seeing marked bike lanes and painted road markings will start to educate motorist that the road is to be shared.
  - Recall that almost all of the concerned residents who stood up against the proposed plan were trying to protect their own self interests, not the public safety of ALL the residents.

As a side note. my only suggestion to the proposed plan for Wooddale is this:

There has always been a great need for a southbound bike lane on Wooddale Ave. As it is now, There is so little room for cyclist in that lane that I continually witness many families riding south in the northbound parking lane against traffic. Cars pulling out from side streets and driveways are not anticipating these riders coming from the opposite direction. It has created a very dangerous situation.

The need for a separate (bike only) northbound lane on Wooddale is not really a necessity. Most of the time there is little to no parked cars in the parking lane. I personally ride in that lane daily as I head north towards downtown Minneapolis. This lane could be a combined parking/bike lane like that proposed in the alternate plan for 54th near Edina Community Lutheran Church. Combining the lanes would free up 5 extra feet for wider motorized lanes (from the proposed 7 ft per lane to 9.5 ft per lane). This would help alleviate some residents concerns over the safety of narrow motorized lanes.

Thank you for any consideration,

Jeff Terwilliger

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4801 W. 50<sup>th</sup> St.  
Edina, MN 55424

Dear Council Members;

I received a response to my letter dated 6/6/12 which I had addressed to the council; however, the response to my questions came from Jeff Long, Chief of Police.

I am requesting a response to my letter and stated concerns from the City Council.

Mr. Long explained the law, which I have read. He did not address my concern as to why my neighbors and I are being forced to follow a city code/law that the majority of Edina residents do not have to abide by. I am requesting an explanation of that from the Council.

In my previous letter to the Council I wrote, *My concern over this issue is that the city of Edina has not made it known to the majority of residents about the 6 hour limited parking. Why does the city choose to enforce such a little known regulation without first informing home owners if they are in violation and give them the chance to correct it and/or learn the regulation, as is done when a home owner is in violation of a city code involving "nuisances" on their property?* In Mr. Long responded, "If time allows, we will check to see who the car is registered to. If it belongs to a local address we will either call the person, if we can find a phone number, or go to the door to advise the resident that someone complained about their car being parked for over six hours." "After six hours has elapsed, our employee will return and issue a citation for the vehicle." I question why this was not done in this case. I know it reads "If time allows..." Not one of my neighbors who had cars parked on the street that evening received any type of notification. I know that the City of Edina quite often gives warning tickets for cars parked during winter time; I don't understand why my neighborhood was not given that courtesy, especially when not a single neighbor was aware of the six hour parking ordinance (we are all aware of the no parking during winter months).

I would like an explanation as to why Edina would have an ordinance and then only enforce it upon complaint. If the City agrees to have a law on the books, shouldn't that law be enforced in all situations? It is difficult to understand capricious enforcement of rules/laws.

Thank you for your prompt attention to my request.

Sincerely,



Jill Emanuel

Susan Howl

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**From:** Lynette Biunno on behalf of Edina Mail  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 17, 2012 9:06 AM  
**To:** Wayne Houle  
**Cc:** Susan Howl  
**Subject:** FW: Wooddale Avenue Bike Boulevard Project

Good morning,

This message has been forwarded to Mayor Hovland, Josh Sprague and Wayne Houle.



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**From:** Stacy Silk [<mailto:stacysilk@msn.com>]

**Sent:** Thursday, May 17, 2012 8:26 AM

**To:** Edina Mail; [jonibennett12@comcast.net](mailto:jonibennett12@comcast.net); Mary Brindle; [jashsprague@edinarealty.com](mailto:jashsprague@edinarealty.com); [swensonann1@gmail.com](mailto:swensonann1@gmail.com)

**Subject:** Wooddale Avenue Bike Boulevard Project

Dear Edina City Council Members,

My name is Stacy Silk and I am an Edina resident who will be impacted by the proposed TLC Bike Boulevard Project. I am writing to you today because I was unable to attend the meeting on the 15th as I was out of the country.

I purchased my home in Edina in 2009 because of the benefits this community had to offer, one of the main attractors being the stable housing values. Unfortunately I feel that the bike lane construction is going to significantly devalue my home as I will no longer have on street parking (which is already quite limited as it is). I would hope that significant research has gone into this project in terms of its expense. I understand the \$250,000 to complete the project, but has the significant property valuation loss to the residents who will be impacted been factored into this cost? There is a great opportunity cost to these residents that needs to be fully understood. I would also like to know if studies have been done regarding the amount of bikers on these streets over the past year versus the residents who take advantage of the on street parking. Has there been any thought put into that? If there are truly more bicyclers who would benefit from this project than residents who park on these streets I would be more interested in supporting such a venture, but I doubt the research has been done.

Please don't take my parking away without providing me with all of the facts and / or compensating me for the value loss on my property.

Stacy L. Silk  
6025 Wooddale Ave.  
Edina, MN 55424  
(612) 655-3063

Susan Howl

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**From:** Lynette Biunno on behalf of Edina Mail  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 16, 2012 9:34 AM  
**To:** Wayne Houle  
**Cc:** Susan Howl  
**Subject:** FW: attn: City Council and Engineering - Bike route planning

Good morning,

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**From:** Dennis Hykes [<mailto:dennismyrahhykes@comcast.net>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 15, 2012 5:01 PM  
**To:** Edina Mail  
**Subject:** attn: City Council and Engineering - Bike route planning

Concerns regarding Wooddale Bike Route:

As an Edina resident who travels on Wooddale daily, I am concerned with the current planned changes to the traffic flow.

In addition to the auto traffic, there is considerable traffic consisting of city buses, school buses, construction vehicles and trash trucks. My understanding is that the 'traffic flow' lanes would be reduced to 14 feet and that there would no longer be a center stripe on the pavement. I think that with the commercial traffic, traffic turning left off of Wooddale and larger vehicles this presents a real safety challenge.

I wonder if traffic studies on Wooddale would indicate that this street is too heavily travelled to allow the narrow passages that this plan indicates? Please give careful consideration to these concerns before making a decision.

Thank you,  
Myra Hykes  
4516 Woodland Rd W.

Susan Howl

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From: Lynette Biunno on behalf of Edina Mail  
Sent: Wednesday, May 16, 2012 9:43 AM  
To: Wayne Houle  
Cc: Susan Howl  
Subject: FW: Bike Boulevard Plan

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From: Emily Boettge [<mailto:dboettge@comcast.net>]

Sent: Tuesday, May 15, 2012 5:24 PM

To: Edina Mail

Subject: Bike Boulevard Plan

Dear City Council,

I am writing today in support of the proposed Bike Boulevard Plan. I live in the Cornelia neighborhood in Edina with my husband and two children ages 12 and 9. Although we enjoy biking around the neighborhood and to the swimming pool, etc. we often feel boxed in by Hwys 62 & 100, as well as France Ave. As a result, we often don't venture far beyond those boundaries. Typically, when we want to bike around Lakes Harriet and Calhoun, we pack our bikes into the car and drive to the lakes first because we lack a good, safe route--particularly across hwy 62. The pedestrian bridge at Rosland Park is unfortunately quite difficult for children to manage with a bike and other routes lack good crosswalks and/or bike lanes. I think the proposed Bike Boulevard would be a great addition to our community.

Sincerely,

Emily Boettge

6816 Oaklawn Ave.

Edina, MN 55435

Good afternoon to all.

My name is Tom Johnson and our family lives at 4509 Lakeview Drive. We have been seeing increased traffic, much of it at high speeds, down our street. Years ago, we petitioned to have a stop sign placed at the corner of Lakeview Drive and St John's. The city did the right thing and installed a stop sign, and we are appreciative.

Wooddale is highly traveled, as you know. Giving drivers a reason to use side streets like Golf Terrace, Lakeview Drive, Oak Drive, and others puts the many children of these neighborhoods in harm's way. I have yelled at so many vehicles over the years to slow down, and I do not want to do this any more than I have to.

I see bikes on Wooddale all the time. To me, they have adequate space. It will never be enough for bikes or cars. To take driving space away would make for more impatient drivers and put both vehicles AND bikers in more danger.

Do not fix a problem that really does not exist.

Drive down Wooddale in the am or pm after work. Then tell me you can give vehicles less space.

Thanks for your consideration.

Tom Johnson  
612 839 1558

Susan Howl

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**From:** Lynette Biunno on behalf of Edina Mail  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 16, 2012 9:47 AM  
**To:** Wayne Houle  
**Cc:** Susan Howl  
**Subject:** FW: proposed bike lanes on Wooddale

Good morning,

This message has been forwarded to the Mayor and Council members and Wayne Houle.



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**From:** Amy Smith Hykes [<mailto:aschicago@hotmail.com>]

**Sent:** Tuesday, May 15, 2012 8:59 PM

**To:** Edina Mail

**Subject:** proposed bike lanes on Wooddale

I live very close to 56th and Wooddale. I am concerned about the current proposed changes to Wooddale in order to allow for bike lanes for the following reasons:

- 1) The proposed 14 foot lane for cars with no line down the middle I think will increase accidents. It is far too narrow for all the city bus, school bus, construction trucks and garbage truck traffic that Wooddale has. I understand the biker lanes are dotted and that cars can use those lanes as long as there are no bikers. I think this is confusing and dangerous. We have too many distracted drivers as it is and adding confusing road lines and no dotted middle line can cause drivers to swerve into other lanes or think they have the right of way when they don't necessarily.
- 2) There are a lot of kids in this area. I think this might encourage more kids to ride along Wooddale to school. Currently as planned I think you are creating a dangerous situation for kids and cars. The lanes are TOO narrow. Even if this change only causes one accident involving a kid on a bike, it is one too many.
- 3) I think we are forcing the issue. I am all for allowing space for bikes but you shouldn't force it onto busy streets that are not wide enough to accomodate it.

The city has sent out several letters to their credit to inform residents. I am dissapointed with the lack of information or details in those letters. I think there should be detailed plans so people who live here and drive on Wooddale every day understand what is about to take place. I think if more residents understood what you are trying to pass they would not be pleased. I ask that you provide more detail and ask for more input from the residents close by.

Amy Hykes  
4511 W. 56th St.

Mayor Hovland and City Council Members:

I am very disappointed in the decision last night to not include parking on one side of 54<sup>th</sup> Street with the use of an Advisory Bike Lane on 54<sup>th</sup> Street between Wooddale and Minnehaha. I am also concerned with what this will mean when 54<sup>th</sup> Street is redone in 2014. I have lived in at 5401 Wooddale since August 1969 and was intending to continue for the foreseeable future. After last night I will need to re-evaluate this decision. With respect to the 2014 project it was mentioned last night that 54<sup>th</sup> Street is too narrow. Please provide what your intentions are for the project in 2014 and what you have planned for our property.

Thank you,

Andrew Kasid

5401 Wooddale Avenue

**From:** Ann Kasid <[annkasid@yahoo.com](mailto:annkasid@yahoo.com)>

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**Cc:** Andrew Kasid <[andrewkasid@yahoo.com](mailto:andrewkasid@yahoo.com)>

**Sent:** Thursday, May 10, 2012 6:45 PM

**Subject:** TLC Bike Boulevard Project

Mayor Hovland and City Council Members:

As you are aware, next Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> you will be deciding the future of the proposed TLC Bike Boulevard Project. Our family has lived at 5401 Wooddale for over 42 years and we are in a unique position to provide insight into how this will project as proposed will negatively affect our neighborhood of 54<sup>th</sup> Street & Wooddale Avenue. We respectfully request that you vote against the project as proposed.

We have attended the earlier meetings pertaining to the TLC Bike Boulevard Project on April 12<sup>th</sup> and April 19<sup>th</sup>. After reviewing the proposed plans we have several concerns.

The concerns are as follows:

- On 54<sup>th</sup> Street the proposed plan is to lose all parking on the street due to bike lanes on both sides from Wooddale to the Minnehaha Creek. Between Wooddale and Kellogg this totals approximately 12 parking spaces. The engineering firm Alliant Engineering stated that the proposed plan is designed only to accommodate the needs of bicyclists and is not taking into consideration the needs of the neighborhood. Wooddale is maintaining parking in the plan but is actually narrower than 54<sup>th</sup> Street. Please reject a plan that does not provide parking on at least one side of the 54<sup>th</sup> Street.
- Alliant Engineering stated that they have reviewed this and all houses have front parking. Our house sits in front of the MTC bus stop and our house and the neighbor across the street's house also has a 3-way stop sign. Parking cannot be within 30 feet of the stop sign therefore leaving us with 1 possible off street parking spot on Wooddale Avenue. In the past all parking was done on 54<sup>th</sup> Street due to the fact that Wooddale is a busy street and care needs to be taken when getting in and out of vehicles. This is significant change that will also have a negative impact on our property value.

- Alliant Engineering stated that the stop sign on 54<sup>th</sup> Street located down by the Minnehaha Creek bridge would be removed to make it easier for the bike riders. This stop sign is essential for speed control. Our family has lived here for over 42 years and remembers when this was not controlled and speeding was abundant on 54<sup>th</sup> street. This sign must remain for safety purposes and speed control.
- The corner of 54<sup>th</sup> and Wooddale has a 3-way stop sign. Everyday I'm out in my yard and I see someone blow through the stop sign. In the past police officers have set up patrol on 54<sup>th</sup> Street to watch this intersection. If the future bike lanes lead to "no parking" I'm concerned that the police will not patrol this intersection. It is crucial to have this intersection patrolled because of the inability people have to stop at this intersection and the safety of the children in the neighborhood.
- If bike lanes were to be put up on 54<sup>th</sup> street, the bikers will not ride in the lanes anyway because of the road edge being unsafe. As is, 54<sup>th</sup> Street is a pothole heaven and the road edges are even worse. The entire road needs to be torn up and redone. We understand that plans are in the budget for 2014 to have this road redone and curbs put in. Would it not make more sense to wait until 2014 and come up with a comprehensive plan to accommodate the neighborhood and the bikers at that time? If the bike lane is put in, it will not be until the fall of 2012, which means full use would not happen until 2013 and construction of the entire road repair would be just around the corner in 2014. The decision on this project should wait until 2014 instead of wasting the grant money now on a road that needs major repair.
- We are concerned with the "experimental" restriping on Wooddale Avenue to accommodate bikers and vehicles. Wooddale Avenue is a busy street and needs to be controlled with center stripe lane identification. Mass confusion will happen if vehicles have to slow down and move over to accommodate bikes and motor vehicles that are passing each other all at the same time. This is a major accident or death trap just waiting to happen. Wooddale Avenue does not have the width to accommodate bike lanes on both sides of the road.
- Edina Community Lutheran Church is located on 54<sup>th</sup> Street will lose all street parking due to the bike lanes. The church not only has Sunday services but activities on several days of the week. Their parking lot does not accommodate for their entire parish and street parking is crucial to accommodate all their needs.

Please take these concerns into consideration when voting on this project and please vote against the project as presently proposed. Nothing precludes all parties from continuing to coexist on these roads in the current configuration.

Thank You,

Ann & Andrew Kasid

5401 Wooddale Avenue

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Susan Howl

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**From:** Lynette Biunno on behalf of Edina Mail  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 16, 2012 1:01 PM  
**To:** Wayne Houle  
**Cc:** Susan Howl  
**Subject:** FW: Bike Boulevard Plan

Good afternoon,

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**From:** Alice Van Dyke [<mailto:alice@tankvandyke.com>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, May 16, 2012 11:30 AM

**To:** Edina Mail

**Subject:** Bike Boulevard Plan

I fully support the Bike Boulevard Plan!

We need more safe routes for biking, especially for young teenagers, who use their bikes as a primary mode of transportation.

Let's make Edina a safe place for bikers.

Thank you.

Alice

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