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RE: Construction Update No. 2  
Bike Boulevard Project – Phase I

Dear Resident:

You live along the first part of the Edina bikeway system that will connect the City of Minneapolis bikeway system to the Edina Promenade north of Centennial Lakes Park to the future Nine Mile Creek Regional Trail. Many new items are being installed along the roadways on which you live, including new pavement markings and signage.

The signage along the project is placed to bring signs up to current standards and bring awareness to motorists that bicyclists could be present within the vehicle lane of traffic. The pavement markings and signage are designed to work together to provide the safest corridor possible. The pavement markings vary from “Share the Road” along the easterly end of the project to “Advisory Bike Lanes / Share the Road” in the middle of the project to “Bike Boulevard” markings along the southerly end of the project.

As Director of Engineering, I would have preferred dedicated bike lanes along this corridor. However, the width of the corridor does not allow both dedicated bike lanes and on-street parking. Because the corridor is an important bicycling connection, and on-street parking is equally important to area residents, it was decided that it was best to sign it for “Advisory Bike Lanes / Share the Road.” Please keep in mind that the Advisory Bike Lanes are being observed to ensure that this is the correct solution for this project corridor.

The quantity and placement of signage was minimized as much as federal standards will allow. For instance, we have installed the fewest number of the “No Parking” signs possible to define areas where parking is not allowed. “No parking” signs are important to ensure enforcement in these areas.

As with every project there are lessons learned that will be applied to future bikeway projects. If you have any questions or would like to provide feedback, please contact me at [whoule@edinamn.gov](mailto:whoule@edinamn.gov) or 952-826-0443.

Thank you for understanding the bikeway system vision for the City of Edina.

Sincerely,

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Director of Engineering

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