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Ms. Carol Haddock, P.E.
Deputy Director, Engineering and Construction Division
Department of Public Works and Engineering
City of Houston
611 Walker Street
Houston, Texas 77002

Re: CIP #M-000247, Nottingham Drainage and Paving Project
Bike Lanes


Dear Ms. Haddock:

BikeHouston and the Nottingham Task Force are jointly concerned about the safety, function, utilization and geometric design for the proposed Kirkwood reconstruction project. Both groups want to insure that the needs for basic traffic mobility, pedestrian and bicycle activities are provided in a way that preserves the neighborhood integrity and spends city money wisely.

BikeHouston and the Nottingham Task Force support a Kirkwood corridor design that will eliminate the proposed on-street bike lanes in favor of general purpose, dual-use pedestrian/bike pathways located behind the curb on each side of the boulevard street section.

We support dual-use pedestrian/bikeways that are a eight feet wide with provisions for a minimum width of six feet in areas with utility or other structural conflicts. The attached pavement cross section illustrates the eight-foot dual-use pathways (with 23-foot roadway cross sections with two 11-foot travel lanes each way and a 30-foot median).

We ask that you consider the cost savings and safety benefits of our proposal and incorporate the dual use pathways into the final design for this important project.

Sincerely,

Mary Blitzer
On behalf of BikeHouston


David Mandery
On behalf of the
Nottingham Task Force