

May 17, 2017 Open House - Hickory Street Meters and Parking Removal for Bike Lane Comments

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Person	Address	Phone	Comment	For price increase	For 2-hr Free	other	For parking removal	Against parking removal
Lee Meek	719 W Sycamore St	469-774-9093	Would like the city to explore the possibility of using the existing UNT service lane as a bike lane (from Ave B to intersection of Ave A & Mulberry and thereby keeping the 22 parking spots proposed to be eliminated. Two hour FREE parking over a 400% increase, don't give us a disadvantage that other businesses in town don't have to deal with.		X			X
Paul Meltzer	1917 W Oak Street	646-436-7847	Re Traffic, Safety, Parking - I favor treating the Fry Street area on par with the square, i.e. free 2-hour parking during business hours, - I favor running the bike lane through campus on the Mulberry Street extension between avenue b and fry street. This works for cyclists and preserves needed parking.		X			X
Tanner Clifton	1314 W Hickory	940-999-3134	Bike lane on Hickory - could this be redirected through service street on campus? The Businesses in the area rely on the parking that is currently there. Also free 2 hr parking like square has instead of new meters.		X			X
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Casey Glenn (Caseys Bar & Grill)	1206 W Hickory St	972-567-1154	We would like to suggest that the current parking meters between Ave B and Welch St to NOT go up in price or simply be removed and monitored. The meters are fine however the idea of a price raise would be a burden on the businesses on the street.					
Rahim Dewji - Manager Midway Craft House	1115 W Hickory St	972-814-3817	Please do not raise the parking meter rates. Local businesses in the area rely on that parking for their customers. Instead use the option of making them 2 hour spots similar to the square. This way customers can still have a place to park while they shop and the students have a place to park that won't cost them lots of money, while they shop.		X			
Lou Delaney - Lucky Lous, Riprock, and Cool Beans	1207 W Hickory	940-390-5415	The only city streets in any business district in Denton that customers have to fee the meter is Fr St. Please allow us a level playing field by changing the meters to 2 hour free parking like on the square!!		X			
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Melissa Carr	3508 Pheasant Hollow	496-396-5014	As a bike commuter I understand new commuters' concerns with safety, riding in traffic with other cars and navigating on two wheels. You are vulnerable. People will not bike if they don't feel safe. Please continue to work to keep the bike lanes and safe alternative routes down Hickory.				X	
Sonia Vazquez	617 Cordell St	915-667-5186	Riding a bicycle on Hickory Street is currently a huge safety issue for both cyclists and drivers. With the cycling community on a rise in growth of people riding especially around the UNT campus. There is a high risk potential of a cyclist getting hit by a door, getting hit by a vehicle, both while the vehicle is leaving the stall & when parking. Not to mention that these parking slots are parallel parking cause huge traffic issues; such as backing traffic, cars being hit when cars are leaving slots during peak hour, & people stopping for others to park which stops traffic & poses a danger to any cyclist riding on the road which as of now is a shared road.				X	
Garret Rumohr	3232 N Locust #1124	940-231-7538	I encourage the city to continue adding bike lanes to Hickory Street. The alternative plans shown tonight (sidewalk path) does not improve the cycling story and will only create an inconsistent experience for cyclists, vehicles, and pedestrians. Worst outcome for all interested parties.				X	
Rahim Dewji - Manager Midway Craft House	1115 W Hickory St	972-814-3817	Please explore the option of moving the bike lane from Ave B to Ave A to the service road parallel to it on UNT. This would preserve the 20+ parking places for businesses in the Fry Street Area.					X
Casey Glenn (Caseys Bar & Grill)	1206 W Hickory St		Would it be possible to utilize the service road (existing) between ave B and Mulberry St for the bike lane? This would allow for the continue use of meters on Hickory St between Ave B and Ave A.					X
Amber Briggie	1315 Darmouth Pl	940-536-8720	It's time to revisit/update the bike plan! I don't want decision like this (sharrows on hickory) to be made by city staff without full public input.				X	
Lou Delaney - Lucky Lous, Riprock, and Cool Beans	1207 W Hickory		Please explore the option of moving the bike lane from Ave B to Ave A to the service road parallel to it on UNT. This would preserve the 20+ parking places on Hickory St for businesses in the Fry Street Area.					X

Al Glidewell	1300 W Hickory	566-1151	My concern is losing around 20 parking places on Hickory St. There are other routes that could be used or do bike lanes like downtown.					X
Doug Campbell	1010 Alice St	940-367-9551	Do not alter the bike plan 2012. Remove on-street on Hickory between Ave B. and Welch. Install separated, protected, bike lane from Bonnie Brae to Carroll. It's the safest option for the most vulnerable road users besides pedestrians. Businesses will benefit from bike lanes, not suffer w/o on-street parking.				X	
Brent Erskin (Voertmans)	1314 W Hickory	479-466-2312	Please consider moving the bike lane to UNT service road. Our businesses depend on these spaces. Thanks.					X
Adam Duran	121 Ave A	940-300-8988	We would like to see the bike lane on Hickory re-directed down Ave B, utilizing the UNT Service road to connect it to Mulberry, saving the much needed parking used by retail businesses.					X
Suzanne Townsden	425 Hettie	903-517-2884	I strongly support the removal of metered parking on Hickory and replacing it with a PROTECTED bike lane. As a driver, I almost never park there, because they are almost always full. If I want to visit one of the area businesses, I will park 2-3 blocks away and walk, because it's easier than hunting for parking along Hickory St. It's almost as though those 22 spots don't exist already. There is no guarantee that the people parking in those 22 spots are visiting nearby businesses. If they ARE visiting nearby businesses, there are 11+ to visit, which means 2 patrons per business would have to walk a little further if those 22 spots were removed. I don't not visit Aura Coffee because all the metered spots on Hickory are full. If someone really wants to visit a business, they will find a way to get there, even if there aren't those 22 spots on Hickory. As a cyclist, I'd like to see metered spots go away and be replaced by a protected bike lane. That area has heavy traffic, and an unprotected bike lane would attract people to park in it while they drop off, pick up, or run into a building "real quick". This would render the bike lane unusable, because cyclists cannot be weaving around obstacles, in and out of lanes, it is incredibly unsafe. People often tell me, "I wish I could ride my bike, but I'm scared of being hit by a car." Protected bike lanes are what get people riding their bikes and leaving their cars at home. A protected bike lane could attract more people on bikes to those businesses, because it would provide a safe and convenient way to get there. The more people ride their bikes in that area, the more nearby parking is freed up, which allows more people to visit the businesses. I SUPPORT removal of 22 metered spots and replacing it w/a protected bike lane. I OPPOSE routing cyclists onto a sidewalk. Too many pedestrians, too much conflict. I SUPPORT moving forward with the 2012 Bike Plan. I OPPOSE routing cyclists the long way around (down Ave A). I wouldn't use it.				X	