

From: Ian Emmons
Sent: Monday, October 16, 2017 12:52 PM
To: Agendadesk
Subject: Urban street Park Pilot

I wanted to voice my support of the urban street park pilot that is outlined here..

http://sanjose.granicus.com/MetaViewer.php?meta_id=667019

i do hope that the plan will support keeping the spaces accessible to cyclists with barriers that will allow cyclists to filter through in a safe manner.

-Ian Emmons

From: Colin Heyne <>
Sent: Monday, October 16, 2017 1:28 PM
To: Agendadesk; Peralez, Raul
Cc: Tran, David
Subject: Support for Urban Street Park Pilot

Good Afternoon,

I am writing on behalf of Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition, a member-supported nonprofit dedicated to creating a healthy community, environment, and economy through bicycling. SVBC strongly supports the policy proposal, up for discussion under Item 3.6 on tomorrow's City Council agenda, to create Urban Street Park Pilots on San Pedro Street and Post Street.

Similar pilot projects were proposed by participants at [the ThinkBike workshop](#), hosted by the Department of Transportation and Dutch Cycling Embassy in 2012. SVBC's support for converting downtown roadways into pedestrian plazas and paseos dates to at least that time. We know that making streets safer for pedestrians makes them safer for all road users, including bicyclists. Urban pedestrian zones, like those found in New York City and Santa Monica, also have the benefit of boosting local economies.

If these pilots are approved, SVBC looks forward to working with the Council and City staffers to ensure that bicycle access is preserved in a way that maximizes safety for people on bike and on foot.

Thank you for your consideration,

Colin Heyne
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