Danielle Delaney

From: Carol Moore

Sent: Monday, April 4, 2022 9:55 AM

To: City Council

Cc: Cassidy Flynn; Danielle Delaney

Subject: FW: Docketed items 239-22 and 243-22 - Ash Street Light

Good Morning Councilors,

Please see the email below from a resident concerning the Ash Street light removal.

Thank you,

Carol Moore, CMC City Clerk/Clerk of the Council City of Newton PH: 617-796-1202

Pronouns: she/her/hers

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From: Jeffrey Boylan <jjpb1063@comcast.net>

Sent: Sunday, April 3, 2022 8:27 PM

To: Carol Moore <cmoore@newtonma.gov>

Subject: Docketed items 239-22 and 243-22 - Ash Street Light

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Carol -

Hello.

I am writing to the City Council with my comments regarding the proposed scope of work on docketed items 239-22 and 243-22. I understand the most expedient way to reach all of the Council is to send an email to you, the Clerk of the Council. Can you please distribute this email to all committee members of the Public Facilities Committee and the Public Safety and Transportation Committee, as well as the rest of the councilors?

As a resident of Islington Road now for close to a decade, I am thrilled to see the changes proposed for the Carriage lane. With the exception of the removal of the light at Ash Street, I am in favor of all what I see in the designs.

#239-22

I am concerned by the removal of the Ash Street light as someone who depends upon it to safely exit my neighborhood. There are several times a day in which turning left from Islington Road onto Commonwealth Avenue is nearly impossible. As such, I have seen many drivers unsafely dart out in effort to finally continue on their journey after waiting for a break in the traffic. Unfortunately, the majority of our fellow drivers do not provide the opportunity to enter the traffic at this intersection. I question why all of the wonderful changes proposed can't still happen while still maintaining the Ash Street light?

My fear is that this will increase the likelihood of accident, and the possibility of injuries.

You have heard the concerns from our neighborhood, who use this light consistently, and I would ask that you put value on this input and decide to keep the light as part of overall design.

Thank you,

Jeff Boylan 169 Islington Road