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Hello Newton City Counselors,

I was inspired by the following blog post to write a letter to you:

<https://village14.com/2020/08/25/washington-street-changes/>

Please add a companion protected Westbound protected bike lane to complement the new Eastbound lane on Washington St. This item is currently docketed with the Traffic Council.

Washington St is not safe for bicyclists. The wide open design means the 35 MPH speed limits are ignored by drivers, studies show traffic regularly travels 45-50 MPH.

I frequently bike between my home in West Newton and the Newtonville shops with my family, and to visit my parents in Newton Center. There is no reason this route shouldn't be safe for us in both directions.

Thank you for your consideration.

Ben Bayes
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