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Sent: Tuesday, March 02, 2021 10:05 AM

To: Gwen Raney

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Subject: Re: 4th street

Hi Gwen and thanks for your email

Just to clarify, what was being discussed was the potential to close parts of 4th streets in future summers and that idea is part of the master transportation plan.

Any consideration for a specific closure (on any street) will come back to the council for future discussion. As I am sure you are aware we reached out to the community and found that more than 50% of the public were supportive of the concept of closing streets. Council will use that information and new information in any future deliberation. As I am sure you are aware, the questionnaire provided broad community feedback on the topic. Thanks for all your ideas and feel free to share them with "participate" directly - this will ensure that it gets distributed with council (I have copied "participate" here to ensure distribution this time)

Thanks again Gwen, I hope you are well.

Cheers Neil

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On Mar 2, 2021, at 9:09 AM, Gwen Raney wrote:

I listened with interest the discussion regarding roads, crosswalks, cameras etc. during last night's City Council meeting and was stunned to hear that closing 4th street was still being considered. It was a disaster for the City last summer and ultimately closed when the City was threatened with a lawsuit because it affected parking and most especially access to Businesses who rely on moving in and out of the allies for 4th street for deliveries and pickups as well as parking.

When the City held an event for public input regarding the 4th street closure, I sat for six hours while Mayor Bradshaw had conversations with the public, most of which were very vocal with people giving him negative feed back and explaining to him that streets were for cars and side walks were for pedestrians.

As for bikers I don't think it is unreasonable to expect them to walk their bikes through certain areas to town for everyone's safety and also insist that they observe stop signs.

Even with the idea of redirecting cars into Atkinson's market differently will not make closing 4th street any better.

An additional concern I have about closing 4th street to 75 (Main Street) is for anyone who might not stop in time as they descend down 4th street and into on coming traffic on our busiest road.

Please take these thoughts into consideration, share them with the City Council and submit them to participate@ketchumidaho.org. Thank you, Gwen Raney