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## Drexel project

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Hi,

As a resident on South Drexel, I wanted to voice my opinion on the options set forth in the Drexel Avenue Improvement Plan.

As a parent of four young children, our main concern on the street is safety and speed of cars. It is extremely difficult to cross the street safely. Many cars do not slow down at crosswalks, and completely ignore pedestrian traffic. I'm not sure if it's a visibility issue or just an issue of carelessness. A bit over a year ago, there was an incredibly tragic accident on Drexel and Fair where someone sustained major injuries. Even with the use of the flashing lights features, many cars do not slow down and stop for pedestrians. In an ideal world, a traffic light would help this problem.

If we had to choose between the two options, we would recommend option A, island boulevards since it would slow traffic. With option B, the loss of parking on one side of the street would greatly impact CSG, St. Albans and many residents living here, and then that would exacerbate the danger of crossing the street.

We fully support biking in Bexley but feel this is the wrong street to put bike lanes on with the amount of heavy vehicle traffic, and the already difficult and dangerous pedestrian crossing issues.

Thank you,

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