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Attachments: Attachment 1 Answers.txt; Attachment 2 Trip Cap data.jpg

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When the Consent Calendar comes up at Council's 6/25 meeting, I ask that someone pull Item 4.25 (the Shoreline reversible bus lane) for further discussion. This project was inane at its inception and has had some Laurel and Hardy moments since. Now City staff is raising the possibility of hiring a consultant to explore the idea of converting the Shoreline median to an exclusive bike lane. Too many consultants have already waxed fat at public expense by endorsing screwball ideas like that. Council could strike a blow for common sense by stipulating that approval of Item 4.25 is conditional upon staff not pursuing the bike lane any further.

The bus lane came before the CTC on 1/30, and staff asked two multi-part questions about how to proceed. The answers I would like to have heard are in Attachment 1. Attachment 2 is a simple 1-page chart of data relevant to the bus and/or bike lane from the last pre-pandemic and most recent Trip Cap reports.

Thank you for your attention.