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36 Legislative Council Resolution #

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A Resolution

Bill History

13th Street was designated scycral years ago in the Transportation Master Plan as the bike route connecting the Broadway and Creek paths to North Boulder and paths that got north and est from 13th behind the north Boulder Recreation Center. It should be noted that pedestrians also need this path.

The city backed building the 13th Street Pedestrian Bikeway Supported and awarded \$5000 in prizes during the design contest of 1985. Unfortunately, the city failed to consult with the downtown businesses first. The errors of 1985 continued when the cyclists failed to back up the city . Bicycling has at the very least doubled since the beginning of mountain bike mass production in Today, our paths and racks are full, and we are still waiting for the city to keep its promise. It is important for the city to put(its) money where its mouth is. Don't just talk ecology, actually support measures that could help improve the environment.

The original 1985 plan closed 13th Street to automobiles from Arapahoe to Pine. We are being extremely reasonable by only asking the city to start by closing only the blocks between Walnut and Spruce. Needless to say, this area is already a successful pedestrian district. Over 1000 cyclists have signed a petition for this specific proposal, and it is also the preferred plan of the Boulder Bicycle Commuters.

Approximately 12,000 CU-Boulder students own bikes, and half of those students ride them daily. This fact makes students the majority of the 9000 or so bike commuters in Boulder! This plan would help students out due to the fact that it would make it easier, safer, and more pleasant to travel between campus, downtown, and North Boulder.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO STUDENT UNION, THAT:

The University of Colorado Student Union shall be Section 1: committed to further enhancing possible bike routes in the city of Boulder.

Further, we will endorse the closure of the 13th Street to motor vehicles from Walnut to Spruce in order to expand the Mall and simultaneously build a two way bike path in the center of the street-wide walk-way.

Section 3: This resolution takes effect upon passage.

What it onything we will we do besides this resolution