

INTRODUCED: June 25, 2018

AN ORDINANCE No. 2018-194

To prohibit, on Brook Road between Brook Road’s intersection with Azalea Avenue and Brook Road’s intersection with West Charity Street, new travel lanes from being designated to accommodate bicycle travel and lanes currently designated for motor vehicle travel from being converted to accommodate bicycle travel.

Patrons – Ms. Gray and President Hilbert

Approved as to form and legality
by the City Attorney

PUBLIC HEARING: JULY 23 2018 AT 6 P.M.

WHEREAS, the 2014 City of Richmond Bicycle Master Plan includes plans to install new travel lanes to accommodate bicycle travel or to convert lanes currently designated for motor vehicle travel to accommodate bicycle travel on Brook Road between Brook Road’s intersection with Azalea Avenue and Brook Road’s intersection with West Charity Street; and

WHEREAS, the Council believes that such installation or conversion of lanes to accommodate bicycle travel on this portion of Brook Road will cause traffic congestion by removing an existing lane designated for motor vehicle travel or otherwise hinder the efficient movement of motor vehicle traffic, and reduce safety for travelers; and

AYES: 3 NOES: 6 ABSTAIN: _____

ADOPTED: _____ REJECTED: JAN 28, 2019 STRICKEN: _____

WHEREAS, in the opinion of the Council of the City of Richmond, it is in the best interests of the residents of the city of Richmond that no new travel lanes to accommodate bicycle travel be installed and no lanes currently designated for motor vehicle travel be converted to accommodate bicycle travel on Brook Road between Brook Road's intersection with Azalea Avenue and Brook Road's intersection with West Charity Street;

NOW, THEREFORE,

THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEREBY ORDAINS:

§ 1. That, on Brook Road between Brook Road's intersection with Azalea Avenue and Brook Road's intersection with West Charity Street, no new travel lanes shall be designated to accommodate bicycle travel and no lanes designated as of the date on which this ordinance is adopted for motor vehicle travel shall be converted to accommodate bicycle travel.

§ 2. This ordinance shall be in force and effect upon adoption.



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Ordinance/Resolution Request

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TITLE Prohibiting the Installation of planned Bicycle Lane(s) on Brook Road from its intersection with Azalea Avenue to its intersection with Charity Street.

This is a request for the drafting of an **Ordinance** **Resolution**

REQUESTING COUNCILMEMBER/PATRON

K. Gray & C. Hilbert

SUGGESTED STANDING COMMITTEE

Land Use, Housing & Transportation

ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION SUMMARY

The patrons requests that legislation be drafted for Council's consideration regarding the planned installation of bicycle lanes on Brook Road. Specifically, the legislation should prohibit the installation of any bicycle lanes on Brook Road from its intersection with Azalea Avenue to its intersection with Charity Street and the conversion of any vehicular traffic lanes to bicycle lanes on this portion of the City's roadway.

BACKGROUND

The Bicycle Master Plan calls for the installation of bicycle lanes on Brook Road. The purpose of this proposal to prohibit the installation of bicycle lanes on this portion of roadway is to: 1) prevent traffic congestion; 2) preserve the efficient movement of vehicular traffic; 3) maintain safety for all travelers on this portion of Brook Road; and 4) prevent the loss of a motor vehicle lane and the congestion that would cause on this roadway.

Residents of the area and regular users of this roadway have expressed opposition to the current plans of the City to install of bicycle lanes or proposals to convert vehicular lanes to bicycle lanes on this portion of Brook Road.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Fiscal Impact Yes No

Budget Amendment Required Yes No

Estimated Cost or Revenue Impact \$ N/A

Note: N/A

Attachment/s Yes No