

A Neighborhood Committee for Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety in Chicago's 43rd Ward

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To: 43rd Ward Aldermanic Candidates

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Re: Informational Questionnaire on Active Transportation Issues

1/ What do you believe is working well for people walking, riding bikes or taking public transportation in the 43rd ward, and what do you believe are some of the most important changes that would make it more safe, convenient and pleasant?

- Clark Street from North Avenue to Diversey Parkway is an important street in Lincoln Park, but problems that have been noted by residents include: speeding cars, inadequate pedestrian crossings, narrow sidewalks, lack of bus shelters, lack or inadequacy of bike lanes, underused storefronts, lack of community space. What are your ideas to alleviate these problems and make Clark Street safer and more attractive to all users?
- The "Redefine the Drive" project to redesign North Lake Shore Drive is currently underway. After numerous public meetings, a list of the top 20 ideas for improvement has been released. The second-most popular idea is "Improve transit service/Install exclusive Bus Rapid Transit facility/Increase transit/Install light rail". What are your thoughts on the state of public transit on Lake Shore Drive currently, as well as on dedicating a portion of Lake Shore Drive to exclusive public transit use?
- The third-most popular idea of the "Redefine the Drive" project is "Improve east-west pedestrian/bike connections and facilities". What are your thoughts on the state of east- west pedestrian, bike and public transportation connections to the Lakefront Trail within the 43rd ward currently?
- 5/ How do you feel about redistributing parking spaces in the 43rd ward to improve access and safety for people walking, biking and riding public transit? For example, moving metered spaces under L tracks or near intersections to add marked crosswalks and continuous bike lanes.