



# City of Cambridge

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**FIRST IN COUNCIL**  
 February 28, 2022

COUNCILLOR MCGOVERN  
 VICE MAYOR MALLON  
 COUNCILLOR SIMMONS  
 COUNCILLOR TONER  
 COUNCILLOR CARLONE

WHEREAS: The roll out and implementation of separated bike lanes has caused a lot of concern among the small business community who have felt left out of the process; and

WHEREAS: Business owners have fears about the impact on their businesses, and it would be beneficial for both the City and the business community to have local economic information about the potential impacts, positive and negative, on various types of businesses; and

WHEREAS: Economic studies are often cited from other cities about the impact of bike lanes to small businesses, and how they will improve sales; and

WHEREAS: The City will be implementing bike lanes along business corridors each year until 2026 per the recent ordinance change, this provides an opportunity to collect relevant data and real time experience; and

WHEREAS: Having local information will help shape future conversations and implementations of separated bike lanes and can help inform needed mitigation strategies along commercial corridors; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Economic Development division and other appropriate departments with the intention of conducting a study to collect relevant economic data relating to business impacts from bike lane installations, positive or negative, which will help inform future installations of bike lanes along commercial corridors; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with appropriate departments on what the standard public process will be prior to implementing new sections of bike lanes consistent with the Cycling Safety Ordinance, and what general evaluation process will take place post-installation now and for a full year once the bike network is completed, and to report back to the City Council on these matters; and be it further

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back to the City Council on these matters by March 31, 2022.

In City Council February 28, 2022.  
Order Adopted as Amended by a yeas and nays vote:-  
Yeas 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.  
Attest:- Anthony I. Wilson, City Clerk

A true copy;

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anthony I. Wilson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

ATTEST:-

Anthony I. Wilson, City Clerk