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## Wantoch, Clark

**From:** Polenske, Jeffrey **Sent:** Fri 5/8/2009 3:27 PM  
**To:** Korban, Ghassan; Silletti, Leslie  
**Cc:** Chrisbaum, Chad T; Wantoch, Clark; Mantes, Jeffrey  
**Subject:** RE: Complete Street Makeover for S. 2nd Street, Milwaukee  
**Attachments:**

Leslie,

As you may know the main point of contention for the subject project is over the need for two lanes of traffic in each direction. The property owners are asking for the number of lanes to be reduced to one in each direction and for us to provide bike lanes and a possible narrowing of the street. Since this project is being completed with Federal funding this decision isn't entirely up to us. We need to make sure that a change of this sort will not jeopardize the project funding. We have discussed this with WisDOT staff and have now completed a street capacity analysis at their request. The capacity analysis has been sent for WisDOT's review. If WisDOT is supportive of the lane reduction we will then work on developing an option that would accommodate a change in lane configuration and possibly a narrowing of the street. While we can accommodate a change to the lane configuration with pavement markings, narrowing the roadway will have to be looked at closely. This is only an asphalt resurfacing project and not a reconstruction of the roadway. As a result, there are more design limitations that affect our ability to narrow the roadway. Any option would then be shared and discussed with the Mayor, the Alderman, and the property owners to make sure that we have support. We hope to hear back from WisDOT soon. If I don't hear something by early next week I will call to find out the status of their review. If you have any further questions please let me know.

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**From:** Korban, Ghassan  
**Sent:** Wed 5/6/2009 2:20 PM  
**To:** Silletti, Leslie  
**Cc:** Chrisbaum, Chad T; Polenske, Jeffrey  
**Subject:** RE: Complete Street Makeover for S. 2nd Street, Milwaukee

Chad, can you please provide Ms. Silletti with a summary of the 2nd street project status as soon as possible?.  
 Thanks.

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**From:** Silletti, Leslie  
**Sent:** Mon 5/4/2009 8:21 AM  
**To:** Polenske, Jeffrey; Korban, Ghassan  
**Cc:** Silletti, Leslie

**Subject:** FW: Complete Street Makeover for S. 2nd Street, Milwaukee

Hi there- As the Mayor has become involved, can someone please give me an update on the project...and Alex's comments...

Please see string below...

Thank you, Leslie

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**From:** Silletti, Leslie  
**Sent:** Monday, May 04, 2009 8:19 AM  
**To:** Peterson, Alexis; Barrett, Tom  
**Subject:** RE: Complete Street Makeover for S. 2nd Street, Milwaukee

Alexis- Before this digresses too far, I don't believe Alex has the full set of cards here. I have been staying briefed by DPW, who is working earnestly on this project. I will keep you posted as to the status; please feel welcome to contact me in the meantime.

Thank you, LS

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**From:** Mayor Tom Barrett  
**Sent:** Friday, May 01, 2009 5:48 PM  
**To:** Barrett, Tom; Silletti, Leslie  
**Subject:** FW: Complete Street Makeover for S. 2nd Street, Milwaukee

Follow up email from Alex Runner.

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**From:** Runner, Alex**Sent:** Friday, May 01, 2009 12:47 PM

**To:** Juli Kaufmann; ursula.twombly; Mei-Lyn; Lori Gensch; Ann Pieper; Anne E. Summers; Nancy and Jim Ketchman; Lynde B. Uihlein; Beth Dufek; dan.beyer; Brad Ambelang; Beier, Ann; Baylor Studio; Monique Charlier; Colon, Pedro; Chris Socha; Marcia Caton Campbell; Karl M. Dickson; Dad; Martha Davis Kipcak; Dave Swanson; Eric Krueger; David Fockel; Ben Gramling; Emily Green; Christine Harris; Ivan Gamboa; Jeremy Spurgin; Jeramey Jannene; Witkowiak, James; Janssen, Andy; Michael Kaufmann; Karen LeSage; Dan Knauss; Melissa K. Scanlan; danjcollins; Casanova, Dan; Maierle, Michael; Peter McAvoy; Megan Carr; Servais; Serge; Sarah Szurpicki; Julia Taylor; John Vetter; Victor Ray; Wasserman, Lanie; Bridget Williams; d'Andre Willis; young@fondymarket.org; Zetts. Corey; Steve Zimmerman; Mayor Tom Barrett; sen.carpenter@legis.wisconsin.gov

**Cc:** Dave Reid; Kieran Sweeney**Subject:** RE: Complete Street Makeover for S. 2nd Street, Milwaukee

We've been part of these discussions -- mostly it's Ald. Witkowiak's baby, though. I know the majority of the Council sees this plan as Dave (and many of you) do. I think the biggest hold up is coming from bureaucratic, car-focused red tape. (As the piece suggests.) I'll check on the status again, but contacting WisDOT and DPW seems appropriate. (I do see the Mayor is on here, and he's the one who can direct DPW to make it happen...if the problem isn't with the WisDOT.)

--Alex

**From:** Juli Kaufmann [mailto:juli.kaufmann@gmail.com]**Sent:** Friday, May 01, 2009 12:30 PM

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**Cc:** Dave Reid; Kieran Sweeney**Subject:** Complete Street Makeover for S. 2nd Street, Milwaukee

Efforts to re-imagine S. 2nd Street in Milwaukee are getting local and national attention (thanks to Dave Reid). Be sure to check out the new visual concepts for the street (thanks to Kieran Sweeney). Add your comments to continue the dialogue about how we can use this opportunity to continue to improve Milwaukee.

See "Complete Street Makeover for S. 2nd Street" here:

<http://urbanmilwaukee.com/>

and here:

<http://streetsblog.net/>

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