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Sent: Thursday, August 26, 2010 12:00 PM
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Subject: RE: The Prospect Park bike lane

Work hard at it!

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Not a problem, yes some r and r is totally needed

From: Louise Hainline [REDACTED]
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Thanks. Sorry to interrupt your time off. Appreciate your quick response. Hope you're getting some R&R.

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Hey louise
Many thanks, I will share with him.
I am on vacation through next week, but will get you the info when I get back.

From: Louise Hainline [REDACTED]
To: Scissura, Carlo
Sent: Wed Aug 25 20:50:06 2010
Subject: The Prospect Park bike lane

Hi, Carlo. The Neighbors for Better Bike Lanes group has not been idle on the matter of the bike lanes, but getting information and particularly hard data is proving to be a real challenge. I saw Marty's NY1 interview and was going to write to him to say "way to go, Marty!", but never got to it. I do think that the issue he raised about creating the circumstances for an objective evaluation is exactly the right point. Please tell him it's wonderful that he continues to be a beacon of reason on this issue. We really appreciate his support and public statements.

I wonder if you could shed some light on a couple of things for me. First, can you fill me in on what was said or not said by DOT about the matter of this installation being a trial? I've look at everything I can find Sadik-Khan or her people have said about this bike lane and can't find anything that indicates they publically said the installation was only a trial. But many people, including Craig Hammerman of CB6 and both Brad Lander and Steven Lander make reference to its trial status (or as Lander recently call it, a period for "study").

Do you or Marty know what if DOT has actually said anything publically about the trial, what it would consist of and/or when it would be over? At this point, all we have is second or third hand accounts of the existence of some kind of trial.

This question was stimulated by an email from one of the NBBL constituents who asked Craig Hammerman "Is there going to be a CB6 meeting in September to discuss the bike lanes on PPW? There are a lot of very angry people around here who feel their voice has not been heard." So true!

Hammerman's response to her was: "There will be a followup meeting to discuss the PPW bike lanes as part of the formal evaluation but it won't be in September. I'm not sure of the exact timing - a lot will depend on when DOT is ready to come out based on the data they are gathering, etc." Have you heard anything about this delay or the DOT data gathering, or a "formal evaluation"? Do you know what's going on and what this delay might signify? I'm sure at this point any delay in a final decision is probably good for our side, but this is the only hint we've had of a change of schedule. Nothing from DOT has indicated anything of this sort. Can you read these tea leaves? And if you don't know, do you know who might have some insight into what's going on now?

Thanks for any info you can share. We'll be in touch again when we regroup after everyone's summer vacation. We're expecting things on PPW will get worse when people get back and children start school again. Again, tell Marty to keep up the good work on this. He's right -- the lanes should be in the park, which DOT is also dodging.

Best,

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