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Subject: External: Single Lane Traffic

Please have this included in the public record at the City Council Meeting on August 16, 2021.

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To: Manitowoc City Council

During his recent campaign for mayor, Justin Nickels mentioned that he supported single lane traffic on 8th and 10th Streets only once. He gave no reasons. As soon as he was re-elected, single lane traffic became the city's top priority. He could not get the council's approval soon enough. Originally, it took over 5 years for the council to bring the one-way streets project to a vote, but now the Nickels Machine has swung into action. First, there was a meeting to inform you why this was so very necessary. The meeting was entitled "A Return to Normal." Normal, according to City Hall, is any time prior to 1960. A time that will never return. You were presented with a report that was so poorly written it would receive a failing grade in most high school English classes. This was supported by a number of invited downtown speakers brought in to inform you of how much they desired single lane traffic. The second meeting was a Nickels Machine nod to public input. Once again, the majority of the speakers were a series of downtown people who are still excited by the prospect of single lane traffic. Now we've reached the third meeting where the mayor expects you to make an informed decision, which will impact the majority of our citizens, without any valid information. Actually, the only informed decision you can make at this time is to abandon this project and get on with some of the pressing problems facing our city. When all is said and done, you represent every citizen in Manitowoc, not only Justin Nickels.

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