

## Appendix C: Public Comment

### **Public Comments**

- Comment from Adam Weber, attached  
As the study was completed to provide recommendations for the preliminary routing of the trail, the study team suggested the path of the existing bicycle facility on Memorial Boulevard as the preferred route. During the upcoming design and eventual construction of the project, there will be more opportunities for public engagement, and the City will consider every aspect of the trail's physical design to make it comfortable for all ages and abilities, including intersection design and bikeway separation/protection.
- NVCOG staff addressed additional public comments at several public meetings. Please access recordings of these meetings using the links below.
  - [Public Meeting 1](#)
  - [Public Meeting 2](#)

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Good morning,

Checked out the draft report of the trail study and it looks like this will be a great addition to the town. I had a suggestion regarding the section on Memorial Blvd. I just saw the recent restriping with a road diet and buffered bike lanes which is amazing, but the intersections with Riverside, Mellen, and Main all feature mixing zones which drop out the dedicated lane in favor of more vehicle capacity, which is not a comfortable condition for bike riders of all ages and abilities. At the very least, bike lanes should continue through the intersection, and I prefer to use guidance from "Don't Give Up at the Intersection" or the MassDOT Separated Bike Lane Design Guide.

There is also a small trend emerging in taking roadways with center medians and essentially chopping them in half - two way vehicles on one side, active transportation on the other. New Haven is taking this approach with State Street through downtown, and I just learned Provincetown, MA will be doing this as well on Route 6. It's a pretty neat idea that takes advantage of an existing physical separation on roads that are too wide. Would love to see NVCOG consider that for a truly separated and protected trail section on Memorial.

Thank you!  
Adam