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Subject: 7th Avenue Greenway

Good afternoon.

I live near MLK and Fremont, and travel primarily throughout the neighborhood by foot, and in the past on bike. I've crossed 7th Avenue every day for most of my adult life, living within a few blocks of it for most of the last 20 years.

I want to be able to both cross it safely, and use it as an easy corridor to travel on foot or by bike from Broadway to Alberta. If a Greenway does the work, then let's put that in. 9th Avenue makes little sense to me - would people be forced to travel through the park? The slope entering Irving Park on Fremont is too steep for some bikers, and 7th Avenue is already set up to slow down traffic.

Anyway, I am glad someone stopped the short-term use of stupid-traffic-signals at 7th Avenue that occurred last year, wherein pedestrians were forced to wait when the walk signal went red but the traffic light stayed green. I never saw a single reason that should have been happening (and only encouraged people to jaywalk).

Thanks,
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