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Hello to whomever this reaches. I live in West Somerville and don't visit the other side of the city too often. I mostly avoid driving in the city because it is too stressful for me.

I have to say though I drove through today and what is happening to this city is a joke. The amount of bus lanes and bike lanes and cones is ridiculous. Everywhere you drive is something telling you what you can't do. Don't drive here, don't park here. Everything is one lane which used to be two. You make so much traffic but trying to save all these people who in reality don't even come close to using the roads as much as cars do. Even today on Broadway near Trum. You made it one lane for cars and I look over there is a massive sidewalk about 15 feet wide then a bike lane another 5 feet then parking. A good 40 feet of unused space while everyone in there car is backed up a quarter mile. It is IDIOTIC. And I know your gonna say it's for safety. But it is stupid. Put it back how it was. Bikes can ride on the sidewalk. Especially on Broadway where the sidewalk is massive.

Figure it out.
Today reminded me why I can't stand driving in the city.

Also I use a motorcycle. Why not make it so motorcycles can drive in the bus lane? Considering the buses only come by once an hour the entire lane is empty all day anyways.

Sincerely yours, Robert

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