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Subject: Fwd: White Poles / Bulb Outs / Curb Extensions in Minturn
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Hello!

Thanks for the email. Abby Loucks, resident of Minturn at 653 Boulder Street. I won't be able to make the meeting, but here are my comments:

I am not at all opposed to the bulb outs - I think they do provide good visibility when turning onto Main Street. My husband and I requested the one at Mann and Main, although we thought it was just an extension of the yellow paint on the curb. As acknowledged in Michelle's email, they are definitely longer than anticipated (or than I think is needed). So I have a few questions: Is there any leeway with CDOT's regulations? Can we do it just as an extension of the yellow paint on the curb? Do the bulbouts have to have the white poles, and do the white poles have to come out so far?

I'd say my biggest issue is with the poles. They protrude closer to the street than a parked car would. I bike to work every day (to the Minturn Business park) and I have to ride farther into the center of the street because of the white poles. Even though cars are legally supposed to give 3 feet to cyclists, we all know they don't - so this leads to a scary ride home. Previously, I would use those areas to duck to the side, slow down, and allow for more space for traffic to pass me. Last, the poles look ugly - everyone I know who has been to Minturn has asked about them, and said how it's not very welcoming.

I hope there is a way to make this work so that we can still increase visibility and safety when turning onto Main Street, while accommodating the parking needs of local businesses, and creating a welcoming environment for visitors to Minturn.

Please let me know if there is any other input I can provide to help the conversation.

Thank you!

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