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Public Comment Sought for the Proposed Reconfiguration of Union Street in Wilmington

Wilmington, DE – Local residents, businesses, and stakeholders are invited to join West Side Grows Together, the City of Wilmington, Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT) and Wilmington Area Planning Council (WILMAPCO) for a public workshop to allow the opportunity for public review of proposed changes to Union Street between Pennsylvania Avenue and Sycamore Street.

The public workshop is being held on Tuesday, December 6 at the Woodlawn Library. Attendees are invited to stop by anytime between 6pm and 8:30pm.

Proposed changes include reducing vehicular lanes from three to two, adding clearly marked crosswalks and a buffered bicycle lane, and increasing the number of parking spots by adding diagonal back in parking. The goal of the project is to create a safer Union Street for all.

Sarah Lester of West Side Grows Together said, "Imagine strolling down a vibrant and bustling Union Street that includes benches, bike lanes, outdoor dining, art, music, and families out enjoying all the area has to offer. The community has expressed this as part of their vision for Union Street and Better Block 2016 demonstrated it is possible".

Currently, speeding traffic along Union Street makes it unsafe for those walking, biking or taking public transportation. This project will make it safer for people to walk and bike, and enjoy all the businesses along the corridor.

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