

Seniors & Mobility Impaired

"There[re] no stop signs at all [at Fourth and Adair Streets] so we call it the racetrack road."

"I walk most days two to four miles, but that's for exercise."

"Citizens pay for alley lights, so it's kind of up to the citizens to provide the extra lights in town. If they don't, then those areas are extra dark."

"I'd rather drive as long as I can drive, and so far I've been able to do that. And it's also an outing for the day."

Youth

"Even when I'm running—when we run on the streets and stuff—I like running in spots where there are trees just because I like scenic runs on the roads."

"I live [on Third Street] and people fly by my house [in cars] right there all the time and don't even stop..."

"One of our paramedic[s]... [has] gone to a couple different accidents that have occurred over that railroad, because people have tried to ramp it and somebody landed on another car."

"There really [aren't] any sidewalks."

"... I know there's a lady who literally rides her bike everywhere and she takes the highway, but it would be safer if we had a bike trail that went to Dexter so she could ride that."

"Bikes get stolen way too much. Especially near Dollar General."

Parents

"I would say in general it's difficult to get around—period—because there are not sidewalks."

"... think the biggest thing is just making [Stuart] a little bit more kid friendly."

"... tell my kid not to cross the railroad tracks or anything because it's just too busy on the main drag."

"It might be nice on that trail to have a few benches for... somebody... older [who] needed to take a break."

"... just walking and biking trails or even bike lanes on streets would be nice."

"A lot of people pick alternative routes just because there are no sidewalks..."

Actives

"I would love to see a bike trail heading [north]... [it] has some shaded areas headed towards Panorama and beautiful farmland."

"I do [walk] the All Saints area right now when it's nice and cold, but when it gets to be summertime, it's going to get hot... because there are no trees..."

"In summer, I'll take the county road and go around town, but that's less than ideal because you're running on gravel. [A] path would be amazing."

"... [T]he streets aren't really supportive of biking in most cases, at least the main arteries. Then I'm on the sidewalk and there are bumps."

"[Division Street] comes up in some places, it ditches in others, and if it rains, there is nothing but a slick spot."

Steering Committee

"And every Sunday night then, [Adair Street] is backed up the whole way... We probably have 15–20 kids [who] live in this block area, and we don't let them play on Sunday nights because it's just too dangerous..."

"It would be really cool eventually to be able to merge up with the [Raccoon River Valley] Trail."

"[Behind recreational fields], that's so pretty in there. It really is beautiful. There's a little creek down in there."

"The reason I like walking out there is I have kids [who] play soccer, so it's convenient to drop them off and then just walk while they're at practice because I'm already there."

"Kids [who] don't drive, [to the high school], need to catch a ride, or if they're walking, they go down Second Street and then cross the field or through private property to get to school... or they walk along the highway."

"I'd have to say a majority of the sidewalks, though, do have what I would consider legally a trip hazard."

Stuart

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