

Hello! I have heard of the plan to convert the 2nd Street Bridge from four lanes to three lanes (two north and one south) and was waiting to hear about public meetings to comment but never saw any notice of them, so I am messaging now. I drive this bridge every day to work from Jeffersonville into Louisville and most of the folks in our neighborhood do the same. I agree there need to be some adjustments for safety -- people drive very fast and it is a bit scary to cross at times. What I notice is that the dangerous traffic is usually going from Louisville into Indiana as folks drive insanely fast to avoid driving side by side on the bridge with the tight lanes. I do not have the full education of a traffic engineer so I am likely misunderstanding something, but I would think the more appropriate proposal would be to limit the traffic going north to one way and keep the south bound two lanes as that traffic that is going slower coming off an exit/local road onto a bridge and is restricted by a stoplight at the end seems to be safer/easier to manage than traffic that is speeding through one stop light and attempting to get up to the 55mph speeds to merge on to I-65. I recognize that the intersection at 2nd Street and Main Street poses a weird transition onto the bridge if it were to be two lanes north, however, knowing that Main Street will transition from one way to two way would present an excellent opportunity to study this intersection and surely come up with a decent proposal.

Many neighbors in Jeffersonville are very angry and frustrated about this situation as they feel very left out of the conversations that are happening surrounding this infrastructure that they use daily and helped them decide to move where they did. Because the bridge is maintained by KY, we have heard that KY will be doing whatever they want without much input/consultation from IN and honestly it does feel that way currently. I realize my comments here will likely not impact the project proposal or outcome, but it would be very much appreciated by the Indiana community to have at least an information meeting to explain why this is the best proposal even if public feedback is not being considered.