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Dear Commission,

Please rethink the banning of all bicycle stops.

There is a safety concern. Remember there were two fatal collisions in San Francisco involving bicyclists going through red lights. You can't have people riding on sidewalks in front of doorways where there is a high risk of knocking someone down.

Other cities like Washington D.C., NYC, and the UK are also having problems with this and an increase of bicycle vs pedestrian collisions.

This is not a racial or a poverty issue. When you meet people on \$10,000+ bicycles with Bluetoothed gear changers and having insurance on the bike, there is no poverty issue when they blow a red light or a stop sign, or fail to yield to a pedestrian in a crosswalk.

Bicyclists are required to have lights and reflectors at night. Many race type bikes do not. In low lighting they disappear in the shadows. There have been collisions with bicycles because drivers did not see them.

The City has spent millions on bike lanes and bike specific signal lights.

With your decision to invalidate any bike stops, you are throwing away all the money the MTA has spent to try and protect bicyclists. \$20 million was spent on 2nd St from Market to King St. for bicycle safety. With your change, bicyclists are free to run red lights without fear of being stopped. It will become the Wild West for bicyclists.

<https://www.sfgate.com/crime/article/Bicyclist-sentenced-for-fatal-S-F-crash-4736312.php>

<https://www.npr.org/sections/thetwo-way/2011/08/12/139577887/woman-dies-one-month-after-being-hit-by-cyclist-in-san-francisco>

<https://abc7ny.com/bike-lanes-safety-cyclists-bikers/5473859/>

Thank you,
Gian Tozzini