
Re: Request: Community Bike & Traffic Safety Education Event at City Hall — May 2026

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Dear Mayor Akinjo and City Council,

I am following up on my previous requests dated March 23 and March 30 regarding the proposed Community Bike and Traffic Safety Education Event for Saturday, May 17, 2026.

As the event is now six weeks away, I am concerned that I have not yet received a substantive response. Director Sebastian of Parks, Recreation & Fleet indicated on March 30 that coordination for this event is handled by the Lathrop Police Department, and I have contacted Chief Sealy accordingly. However, to ensure we can move forward with partner coordination and community outreach, I need the following from the City:

1. Confirmation of access to the City Hall parking lot for May 17, 2026.
2. Direction to the appropriate staff contact for event permitting.
3. A brief meeting to discuss logistics.

If I do not receive a response, I am prepared to present this proposal during public comment at the April 13 City Council meeting.

This event is a zero-cost opportunity for the City to improve safety for Lathrop families. I look forward to your prompt response so we can work together to make it a success.

Respectfully,

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