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City of Milwaukee
Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
841 North Broadway, Room 501
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Dear committee review panel,

My name is Alena DeGrado and I am writing in interest in a position on the City of Milwaukee's Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee. I currently serve as Transportation Coordinator with Milwaukee County Aging and Disabilities Services. In my position I manage a specialized transportation service for older adults and people with disabilities and work across agencies to improve both transportation options and access to options for these populations.

My background is in urban planning, with a focus on the intersection of planning and public health. I entered this field because I saw a need for greater collaboration in public sector agencies working towards safer and more sustainable urban environments and equitable health outcomes.

I would like to serve on the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee to continue to lend my voice and advocate for the needs of older adults and people with disabilities, many, if not all, of which are pedestrians with increased vulnerability at some point in their transportation connections. I would like to increase City-County collaboration, by building relationships between agencies and departments (Transportation, Health, Planning, Public Works, etc.). Lastly, I want to help build positive momentum in Milwaukee to design streets that serve people and communities over cars.

I would be thrilled to be considered for this opportunity to serve! Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
Alena DeGrado