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Hello City Council,

It's great to see that RPPG and staff have highlighted both Climate Resiliency and Transportation and Public works as critical thematic areas for Legislative Program Priorities.

To make our city / region truly walkable / bikeable, please emphasize with the state the need for slow, green streets, with plenty of room for cyclists, pedestrians, and trees/nature, so that we can increase

- safety
- active transportation in place of driving
- all the benefits that trees bring (reduction of heat, noise & pollution; water capture; physical and mental health benefits...)

One recent assessment of potential bicycle routes included "Joy" as one of the criteria.

Wonderful!

Joy is what will get people out of their cars to use active transportation. Trees bring the joy.

- Mary