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Subject: Pedestrian/ bicycle access

Hi,

I would like to add my support for bicycle/ pedestrian crossings and access like the Greenwood and Franklin underpass improvements and a new Hawthorne bridge. These crossings are vital to tie networks together, and difficult intersections or transit areas are one of the big reasons people walk and bike less. I'm frequently in these areas in my car and bike, and they could be so much better with some relatively easy improvements. It's also a bit frustrating to see other cities that are less well known as outdoor meccas that can seem to get these things done. New Orleans, for example, put in a pedestrian bridge made out of recycled debris from Katrina.

I think Bend can do better than what we have now. Connectivity is vital! Let's move forward on this.

Thank you,

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