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To: Mayor Ted Wheeler
Councilor Chloe Eudaly, PBOT
Councilor Dan Saltman
Councilor Nick Fish
Councilor Amanda Fritz

CC: Chris Warner, Gabe Graff PBOT

From: SE Uplift Board of Directors
Re: Endorsement of CCIM (Central City in Motion)

On October 1st, 2018 the SE Uplift Board of Directors voted to endorse “the goals of the CCIM plan and that PBOT should build as many of the projects as quickly as possible.”

SE Uplift believes the goals of the CCIM will support our Climate Change goals. As the urgency of Climate Change become more apparent, safe and efficient means of urban mobility other than single occupancy vehicles is critical to lowering our urban carbon footprint. Every new safe bikeway project, pedestrian crossing or dedicated busway creates more low carbon transportation options for more people, thus lowering our emissions.

SE Uplift believes the goals of the CCIM will enhance safety and access for all modes, but particularly bicycling as an alternative to driving. The downtown core currently has a broken and unprotected bikeway network that create safety and access issues. Studies show that interested riders concerned about safety focus on the weakest route link when choosing to ride over another mode. The CCIM project list will help leverage the recent safety improvements to SE Lincoln and Clinton to build complete, safe, facilities. Southeast riders and neighbors from further out riding through southeast into downtown need unsafe gaps to be upgraded and the CCIM project list will help us get there.

Specifically, the SE Uplift Board believes the following projects in the CCIM plan are critical for our community:

- **The 7th avenue Bikeway** connecting the Tilikum Crossing with the Sullivan's Gulch bridge will upgrade the dangerously narrow and only north-south bikeway between the congested waterfront path and the uncompleted 16th Greenway.

- Completing the **SE Salmon Greenway** to the waterfront provides an affordable alternative to the Hawthorne Viaduct for riders intimidated by these fast moving bike lanes. Different routes provide different types of safe facilities for different riders.
- The **Burnside Bridge and Hawthorne dedicated bus lanes** are a critical first step towards relieving these unexpected delays and providing more reliable bus service.
- Extra **funding for dedicated bus lanes on MLK and Grand** will also improve the network tremendously.

As our city grows, our transportation options need to grow with it in a sustainable way. These projects will create healthier, safer, and low carbon mobility choices. The SE Uplift Board of Directors fully support these efforts and encourage City Council put their full support, and funding, behind these projects.

Thank you for your time and work,

On behalf of the SE Uplift Board of Directors,

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Terry Dublinski-Milton Co-Chair SE Uplift

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Reuben Deumling Co-Chair SE Uplift