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Mayor and Councilmembers-

As you discuss the future of Flagstaff in your Budget Retreat, please recognize that a successful transportation system for our community is dependent upon funding and building comprehensive and complete bicycle, and pedestrian, infrastructure. Not only do these amenities provide alternatives to driving for almost everyone but, if done properly, they can encourage enough modality shift that people who choose not to walk or bike will see improved traffic flow. Additionally, the ability to safely and comfortably walk or bike greatly improves prosperity and livability of any community that embraces this infrastructure.

There has been an immense amount of public input and planning coalesced into several documents and directives for the greater Flagstaff area. [The Regional Plan](#), the pending [Active Transportation Master Plan](#), the [Flagstaff Carbon Neutrality Plan](#), and other guidance, point towards a future desired condition for our town that has complete infrastructure for bicyclists and pedestrians.

This direction is nothing without the funding required to build the additions and changes to our streets, intersections and pathways to create a safe and efficient means for cyclists and pedestrians to navigate throughout our community.

We implore the Council and Mayor to help affect the “big shift”, as [discussed by Dr. Seth Contreras in the informational presentation to Council this past January](#), by seeing to it that these improvements to our transportation system are funded.

We recognize, and wholeheartedly support, robust transportation infrastructure for all modalities. Most cyclists frequently drive and are as frustrated by congestion and poor road conditions as anyone. However, we cannot stress enough how dire the need is for complete cycling infrastructure. Our community has waited too long. The time is now.

Please prioritize funding for bicycling and pedestrian infrastructure improvements in the City’s Budget.

Thank you for your consideration-

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