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- **5.** 06/04/2018
- **6.** 91a
- 7. Respectively request that the Council not approve for a consent agenda item until there has been more opportunity for the public to review the Final Plan. The Advisory Council and/or the City Council should hold another comment period due to the extensive amount of changes made to the Draft Plan and no time was provided to the public to make comment. Overall I agree with much of the Final Plan but I strongly believe if you hope that citizens pass a funding levy or sales tax increase to support implementation of this Plan you need to give citizens a several week period to make final suggestions and you make even need to identify some priority streets where it is necessary to apply some additional criteria which is totally missing from the initial project rankings. Speed limit of a street is not necessarily an accurate proxy for traffic counts and existing safety conditions are not considered. A street with no place to walk except for in the current vehicular traffic lanes (unless you walk in a ditch or in muddy vegetation growth) can be ranked the same on safety as a street that has asphalt surface on both sides of the traffic lanes with white traffic lines for separation and can accommodate 2-3 persons walking abreast on one side of the street and single file on the other side of the street. This does not accurately assess safety which from a liability standpoint and a cost/benefit standpoint should be the most important criteria.

The final plan is only useful to the extent that you can get it funded. Another month or so of work would greatly enhance your ability to get buy in on your funding proposal. As it stands now I would lobby against your funding proposal but with a few tweaks I think you could add a great deal to your credibility. Being stubborn and saying that you criteria is your criteria and there is nothing you can do about it now is a losing proposition, but admitting the deficiencies and overlaying some

additional judgement and a little more data would definitely improve your chances for success at the polls.

I haven't even had the time to review the entire report in detail since it was made available only recently so my comments on a specific concern may change but as of now...My daughter, son-in-law, grandson and I are concerned about:

Location: the cut thru on 190th between 8th Ave. N.E. and Richmond Beach Road Personally I am not asking for an expensive solution---no sidewalk with curbs etc. just some asphalt with while lines that will delineate a walkway on at least one side of the road for people to be able to walk safely to bus stop, bank, grocery store, schools - elementary and middle school (only route for many children) and many seniors are beginning to not drive anymore and need a safe walkway to use along with dog walkers on their way to the park. Additionally the Richmond Beach Road traffic revision has substantially increased the number of vehicles that are using the side road as a cut through street to get to lower Richmond Beach or to get to Cosco and schools etc.

The highest number of survey respondents (25) identified this location as a high priority for safety concerns:

no place to walk up and down the road except in traffic lanes for a large portion of the roadway. Even drivers want an improvement here because they are afraid they will hit a pedestrian. Yes it has now been ranked as a medium priority but I know that you will only obtain funding at best for only half of the high priority items so we must find some way to address this problem. It is shear negligence by the City not to make some changes immediately.

I ask you to drive this roadway to see for yourself how busy the traffic is and look at where a pedestrian has to walk. You might not see a pedestrian while driving one time but let me tell you there are. Just yesterday, two mothers were walking home one with a stroller and 2 walking kids in two and the other with a 3 person stroller going down the hill. You try to walk it and you will see the difficulty and safety concerns.

**8.** Not answered

Thank you,

**City of Shoreline** 

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