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Kathleen Russell/Resident of Shoreline
On behalf of Save Shoreline Trees Advisory Board

We appreciate the opportunity for community feedback relating to the Transportation Master Plan (TMP).

We understand the TMP is critical and the priority of goals and prioritization will determine the projects that are funded and implemented in the next 20 years.

In the Council meeting minutes of March 28, 2022, it is stated: (quote) "There was concern from Council about the draft prioritization metrics where a single category has the potential to outweigh others due to the number of metrics related to the category..."

Save Shoreline Trees is concerned that the true weight is not attributed to the goal of Climate Resiliency. Please refer to Attachment A. It is of concern that the metrics for reducing greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) have been removed from Climate Resiliency and applied to Multimodality and Connectivity. This reduces the "points" applied to the goal of Climate Resiliency which drops to the lowest position. 2 points have been applied to "surface water vulnerabilities" and 2 points applied to the critical "urban heat island effects" which receives substantial attention in the City document "Climate Change and the City of Shoreline".

We understand the draft metrics evolved from Council goals, City policies and community feedback. We ask there be an inclusion in the TMP that the community feedback to the City <u>supports Climate</u> <u>Resiliency as the 3<sup>rd</sup> highest goal</u>, after Safety and Connectivity.

In addition, we ask that the final decision regarding prioritization of the TMP goals be delayed until after the Council hears the Environmental Services presentation "2021 Sustainability Report and Declaration of Climate Emergency" on August 1, which will be followed by a resolution proclaiming a "Climate Emergency" on August 15.

We hope the Sustainability Report, and the Climate Emergency Resolution, will be included as part of the point system for TMP project prioritization, along with Council goals, City policies and community feedback. Thank you.