Amy Johnson

From: Dan Atchison

Sent: Monday, April 24, 2017 3:13 PM **To:** Julie Warncke; Amy Johnson

Subject: RE: Goal exceptions and Marine Drive

It went to individual councilors and is being added to the record for the IGA.

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From: Julie Warncke

Sent: Monday, April 24, 2017 3:09 PM

To: Amy Johnson <AJohnson@cityofsalem.net>; Dan Atchison <DAtchison@cityofsalem.net>

Subject: FW: Goal exceptions and Marine Drive

Dan and Amy – Do you know if this was sent directly to Councilors, or just to me?

- **Julie** | 503-588-6211 ext.7338

From: Mark [mailto:mark_wigg@hotmail.com]

Sent: Sunday, April 23, 2017 5:57 PM

To: Julie Warncke < <u>JWarncke@cityofsalem.net</u>> **Subject:** Fw: Goal exceptions and Marine Drive

Good morning.

Mark Wigg p 503 588-2524 c 971 600-6607 POBox 831 Salem OR 97308

Dear Mayor and City Councilors,

Please abandon the effort to get a goal exception for the Salem River Crossing. This will do nothing to relieve congestion since we do not have money for a new bridge. It will take land off the property tax rolls and that will hurt Polk County. It will also transfer the liability for the gravel operation in the floodway to Salem.

The city can buy and develop right of way outside the UGB if the land is to be used for a multiuse path without needing a goal exception. Please buy the right of way from Cameo to the intersection of Wallace Road and Brush Creek Road for a multiuse path. This path would provide a beautiful route into the city for people in West Salem.

The West Salem Neighborhood Association wants to use the bond money to construct a portion of Marine Drive north of Cameo. This idea needs to have the traffic impacts evaluated as it is likely to make the intersection at Glenn Creek and Wallace fail. Building this short section of road would not reduce commute times for people east of Wallace Road because they would be stuck at the light at Glenn Creek. Use the bond money to build a multiuse path and buy the right of way to Brush Creek. The neighbors are correct in their assessment that building the section of Marine Drive as presented in the current CIP is a waste of money and will have no benefits.

Hundreds of other cities have found that if you want to reduce congestion and increase bike use you must provide safe, enjoyable routes for cyclists. The bike lanes on Wallace Road are rarely used because people do not want to ride next to traffic going 45 miles per hour. Try something new, build beautiful routes for bikes and pedestians and see what happens. You have the money. You have more than 30 years of data telling you that painting lines on streets does not increase the bicycle share of commuters. Salem has a smaller percentage of bike commuters today than 30 years ago.

The video link below only talks about a multiuse path to Riverbend Road. It should say to Brush Creek since the route was identified and evaluated in the SRC EIS.

Thank you for your service to our community.

Appreciatively,

Mark Wigg

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