

Hello,

I am a new resident to Foster Powell. My husband and I bought our first home this summer. While we love the neighborhood, the traffic on SE 72 Ave (especially between Center and Powell) is a concern.

The street is very congested with cars driving faster than the speed limit, and the sound of scooters racing by at night is enough to wake me up. We were warned by our new neighbors that street parking often results in broken side mirrors or crashes from fast-moving cars. Nearby SE 71 Ave (between Powell and Division) has speed bumps, which appear to effectively reduce speeds and discourage fast drivers from that route. I wonder if that would help SE 72 Ave as well?

My husband and I frequently ride our bikes (to Woodstock, Mt. Scott Park, Mt. Tabor Park. . .), but there are more dangerous intersections than there are safe ones (ex. crossing Holgate, Foster, Powell, SE 52 Ave). Making SE 72 Ave a designated bike route would be a great improvement. Currently the street does not seem safe for children, pets, or any pedestrians.

I was advised to email the Planning and Sustainability Commission and have commented on this transportation map as well:

<http://www.portlandmaps.com/bps/cpmapp2/>

I appreciate your consideration of my request for traffic improvements, and would welcome any suggestions on how to better voice my/residents' concerns and support for improvements.

Thank you,

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