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Portland Planning and Sustainability Commission 1900 SW 4th Avenue Portland, OR 97201-5380

Dear Commissioners:

The Roseway Neighborhood Association would like to express its strongest support for the following TSP project proposal:

• TSP ID 40071 – Mason Neighborhood Greenway

NE Mason Street is one of the most frequently used pedestrian and bicycle corridors in the Roseway neighborhood. It serves as a vital connection between our neighborhood's most popular destinations, including Harvey Scott School, Wellington Park, 72nd Ave park blocks, and the Gregory Heights Public Library. Unfortunately, it can also be a potentially hazardous pathway for walkers, joggers, bicyclists, and automobiles. As is common with most of Roseway's east-west streets (north of Fremont), there are currently no sidewalks on Mason Street. In addition, many of the local street intersections are unmarked/uncontrolled, which makes right-of-way decisions unclear and dangerous.

A greenway could provide much needed traffic calming treatments on Mason Street, while also providing safe crossings at the busy arterial intersections of NE 72nd Ave and NE Cully Blvd as well as 'safe routes to school crossings' for Harvey Scott students at NE 66th/67th/68th Avenues. The Mason Neighborhood Greenway would provide a tremendous opportunity to improve safety and livability for all Roseway residents and we ask that you support this much-needed project.

Recognizing the interconnectedness of transportation planning and community development, the Roseway Neighborhood Association also strongly supports these TSP project proposals:

- TSP ID 40068 Sandy Blvd Streetscape Improvements, Phase 2
- TSP ID 40069 Sandy Blvd ITS
- TSP ID 40082 NE Seventies Neighborhood Greenway

Sincerely,

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