Hello --

I write in support of the current transportation hierarchy, and in support of it continuing to serve as a guiding principle for the City's prioritization of transportation investments.

As a proud Portland resident who uses multiple modes of transportation, I feel strongly that the current hierarchy (walking, then bicycling, then transit, then freight, then carshare/taxi/commercial transport, then private automobiles) best serves safety, health, and the overall needs of a rapidly growing city.

Additionally, when gauging how much parking is necessary to reserve for private vehicles, I encourage the City to consider the trend toward carshare and the medium-term likelihood of prevalent autonomous vehicles as factors that are likely to reduce per capita demand for parking. Regardless of those trends, please prioritize other uses (in line with the transportation hierarchy), and minimize the public subsidy of land for provide automobile parking.

Thank you,

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