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Subject: TSP Testimony

Good Evening,

I'm writing regarding the walking path at Hayden Island. A plan to reclassify the walking path as a bike path is being considered as part of the Hayden Island Comprehensive Neighborhood Plan (HIP).

I oppose reclassifying and extending the paths to include mixed-use by bikes and pedestrians together:

- 1) It is not safe for cyclists and pedestrians to use the same narrow paths.
- 2) Widening the paths would require residents to be displaced in the manufactured home community along the north side of Hayden Island.
- 3) Buildings in the Columbia Point West and Columbia Point Condominium complexes are immediately adjacent to the current path, with a steep cliff (approx. 20 feet) directly on the opposite side of the path.
- 4) Portland is under a housing state of emergency. A plan to build bike paths involving reduction of current housing and displacing residents is not in the best interest of the city.
- 5) Safety of pedestrians, including seniors and children, using the path would be severely compromised.

I urge you to refrain from reclassifying and extending the bike paths at Hayden Island.

Respectfully,
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