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**To:** Diane Stoddard

Subject: RE: Please reject use of \$40,000 in Pedestrian-Bicycle funding for pavement markings

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## Commissioners:

I respectfully suggest that you reject the Public Works department proposal to use \$40,000 of \$200,000 budgeted for 2016 pedestrian-bicycle funding for pavement sharrow marking and bike route signage.

<u>Recent research</u> calls into question whether sharrows are effective as bicycle safety tools. I'm not convinced that bike route signs make a difference either.

Citizens who advocated for a line item of budgeted funds for pedestrian and bicycle facilities did so with the understanding that the \$200,000 would be used for facilities dedicated to walkers, wheelers and bike riders. The funds were to be <u>in addition to</u> other amounts already budgeted for pavement marking, signage, road reconstructions, etc.

I support a well-funded pavement maintenance program. But please use the \$200,000 allocated for ped-bike on dedicated facilities such as trails, shared use paths and sidewalks.

Thanks for your consideration.