November 12th, 2021

Dear Nelson\Nygaard, Council Member Liaisons and Public Works,

We, the undersigned are determined to provide our children a legacy at a time when they'll be struggling with the consequences of climate change. We're determined to give them a network of biking and walking infrastructure across Bainbridge Island, allowing them agency over their lives, health and wellness as well as establishing life-long habits that will benefit them wherever they go.

To that end, our children deserve to be safe as they ride their bikes. All new bike infrastructure needs to be designed as appropriate for children to be able to use, which is LTS1.

In addition the following priorities, identified by the Bainbridge GreenWays Steering Committee, on the attached map will address the needs of our children equitably and safely. I support these recommendations.

Top 8 priority projects

We recommend prioritizing 8 projects **that are Level of Traffic Stress 1** during the near-term action plan. These 8 projects will get the greatest number of people biking and walking in the shortest amount of time. That shift can begin to change the culture on the island and win support for further infrastructure development. The 8 projects build on existing momentum and funding; help many children get to school on their own, and provide north south spines with key connectors. The 8 projects are:

- 1. Madison Avenue from Winslow Way to SR 305 (at the fire station)
- 2. Eagle Harbor Drive Phase I
- 3. STO along 305 to Sportsman Club Road (funded by WSDOT)
- 4. High School Road at 305 to Finch.
- 5. Both legs of Dana's trail: from Madison to Sportsman Club Road; and from the High School sports field through Tennis Courts to Lovell.
- 6. From Lynwood Center north to Eagle Harbor Drive via Bucklin Hill
- 7. Wardwell route from New Brooklyn on the west edge of the Woodward and Sakai property heading north to Lovgreen and 305.
- 8. Grow from High School Road to Winslow.

9 additional projects to be completed within the near-term timeframe

Following the top 8 priority LTS1 projects, we recommend an additional 9 LTS1 projects to be carried out during the near-term action plan timeframe. These projects substantially expand the number of people who will be able to use the LTS1 Network.

- 9. Baker Hill Road from Lynwood Center Road to Blakeley.
- 10. Sportsman Club Road, from Wyatt and Finch, crossing New Brooklyn on to SR 305.
- 11. New Brooklyn from Madison Avenue to Fletcher Bay/Miller Road
- 12. Day Road from SR 305 to Sunrise
- 13. High School Road from Finch to Strawberry Hill Park
- 14. Lost Valley trail, 8 to 10-foot trail with a bikeable surface.
- 15. Valley Road between Sunrise and Madison N.
- 16. Fletcher Bay between Bucklin and Lost Valley
- 17. Wyatt from Finch to Weaver



Projects following Phase 1 of the biking and walking network:

