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**To:** 'Newlands, Rich'; 'Figliozi, Sarah'  
**Subject:** Mt. Tabor Bikeways vote

Hello Rich and Sarah –

I hope Rich has recovered from our marathon meeting in Mt. Tabor earlier this month. We appreciate the time each of you has put into this project.

As you know, the Bikeways Project impact at SE 52<sup>nd</sup> and Division is a hot topic in Mt. Tabor, in that it has been somewhat divisive for our residents. You've both witnessed the complex arguments for, against, and somewhere-in-between the staff proposal for this intersection. We in Mt. Tabor trust you will keep all of our voices in mind as you proceed with moving this particular part of the project forward. And we hope we can continue to dialog our way through whatever comes.

Below, you'll find the "statement with qualifier" we, as a group of 100 +, voted to submit to you. As soon as I wrote this statement, I could see whole hunks of data falling away from the record. A statement doesn't convey it all. I hope you can keep close at hand your own experiences of the Mt. Tabor discussions. I'd like to note that at one point below I use the phrase "garnered significant support", which was questioned by at least one neighbor. To clarify, I meant to indicate statistical significance, or, a result that was clearly not just by chance. The room was torn and began to come together again around the two ideas voted on in votes 2 and 3. To me, that bit of information is worth capturing.

"While the neighbors present at the June 15, 2011, meeting support the overall concept of the Bikeway's project (approx. 94 YES, 2 NO, 3 Abstain), the Mt. Tabor neighborhood is notably divided as to the specific approach this Bikeway should take at the intersection of SE 52<sup>nd</sup> and SE Division. The staff proposal failed (56 NO, 55 YES, 3 Abstain). Two proposals from within the neighborhood garnered significant support, as follows:

Vote 2 – To test a package that includes improvements to the intersection at SE 50<sup>th</sup> and Division + a regulatory diverter disallowing north bound traffic (except bikes and buses) on 52<sup>nd</sup> between Division and Lincoln + a regulatory diverter disallowing north bound traffic on 51<sup>st</sup> + stop signs at the intersections of 53<sup>rd</sup>/ Sherman and 54<sup>th</sup>/Sherman + undetermined speed bumps on 53<sup>rd</sup> and 54<sup>th</sup>. 68 YES, 39 NO, 6 Abstain

Vote 3 – To test a "least impact" option (a.k.a. Staff proposed options A & B) that includes improvements to the intersection at SE 50<sup>th</sup> and Division + improvements to the intersection at SE 60<sup>th</sup> and Division + "pinch points" constructed on 52<sup>nd</sup>. 51 YES, 43 NO, 4 Abstain"

Again, thanks for everything.

Warmly,

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