

October 11, 2016

City of Springfield

225 Fifth Street

Springfield, OR 97477

Re: Mayor's Challenge for Safer People, Safer Streets

Dear Mayor Lundberg and Springfield City Council,

The Springfield Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) would like to commend the City of Springfield on its efforts with the Mayor's Challenge for Safer People, Safer Streets. The Mayor's Challenge is a voluntary program, running from May 2015 to September 2016, aimed to create tangible work plans for how to make our transportation system safer in order to save lives and reduce serious injury crashes.

The City of Springfield, in collaboration with other local partners, has done a commendable job checking items off of the list and devising a realistic plan to implement new safety measures. The BPAC prioritizes safety for people walking and biking. It gives the BPAC great pride to volunteer for a City that is committing to and prioritizing Challenge activities focused on regulations for walking and biking safety, selecting street designs that fit the existing and planned land uses, and connecting bicycle and pedestrian networks.

The City now has a Mayor's Challenge work plan to continue making these commitments a reality. The BPAC would like to contribute to the Springfield Mayor's Challenge efforts and has committed to reviewing the progress of this work plan annually and assisting with the completion of items that would be an appropriate fit for the Committee that require additional time and energy.

Thank you Mayor Lundberg, City Council, and City staff for taking action to improve the safety of our streets.

Sincerely,

Springfield Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee



BPAC Chair, Allison Camp



BPAC Vice-Chair, Claudia Denton