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Subject: Vote YES - Ordinance 230613 and Resolution 230618
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Dear Members of the City Council,

I'm writing in support of Ordinance 230613 and Resolution 230618 and to request your support of the same. Improving the safety of our streets and intersections while creating a legitimate network of active mobility infrastructure is critical to our public health, quality of life, and climate impact goals. It is also an investment with a high economic ROI. The more viable it is for people to navigate the city by active means, like walking, rolling, or cycling, instead of by car, the more they will do so. The more they do so, the lower our carbon footprint and road maintenance costs will be.

At the same time, these improvements will reduce traffic crashes and the deaths and injuries that result from them by inducing motorists to drive more slowly.

Research resoundingly demonstrates that these sorts of improvements have a net positive effect on the economic, public health, and quality of life outcomes of a city.

Please adopt these measures and implement them with due diligence.

Regards,
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