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Hello Clerk, please add my email to the February 6 budget agenda, thank you.

Hello Councillors,

I'm a Ward 7 resident and I'm sending this email so that my Councillor, Esther Pauls can refer to it in the next meeting along with all the others she constantly references.

Dear Esther, your comments that cyclists should just walk or take the bus are frankly, elitist and offensive. Believe it or not there are those in the city that can't afford a bus, aren't safe on a bus, or can't walk long distances. Just because you have the leisure time available for country bike rides on nice trails doesn't mean others are not slogging it out on a bike in winter and summer just to be able to get where they're going. For Heaven's sake, let them just get there in one piece.

I also support the full funding of the Climate Change office today, tomorrow and forever. Go ahead, raise my taxes to make sure it happens. Whether you believe it or not, the climate is changing, and action starts with us, at the local level.

Thank you,

Ethan Patterson

Ward 7