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**From:** Brandon Wasser <bwasser87@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 25, 2023 2:50 PM  
**To:** Grp. City Council and City Web Site  
**Subject:** Support the Higgins ave corridor

Please vote to approve this proposal to improve missoula's downtown, public safety and support the city's plan to progress cleaner air and a more pedestrian and bicycle friendly future.

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**From:** Dylan Landais <dtlandais@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 25, 2023 11:31 AM  
**To:** Grp. City Council and City Web Site  
**Subject:** To whom it may concern: Higgins Corridor Plan (Missoula City Council Meeting)

Hello,

My name is Dylan Landais, my family moved here from France in 2003 when I was 8. I grew up in this wonderful community, and graduated from Sentinel High School in 2012. I then spent many years away from Missoula to pursue higher education and various job opportunities. When covid hit I was living and working in the Netherlands where I discovered the benefits of commuting by bike and public transportation. I spent 2 years there without the need to ever use a car. I benefited directly from the infrastructure that was planned around moving high numbers of people rather than vehicles. Riding a bike is so safe that I never felt the need to wear a helmet. Unfortunately, due to covid I made the decision to leave the Netherlands to be back with my family here in Missoula. What I discovered pleasantly surprised me. In the years that I had been gone, many small infrastructure projects around town improved accessibility by bicycle. I initially got a car when I returned as I was used to having that mode of transportation to get around Missoula. Eventually I realized just how easy it was to get to work on my bike and I started doing that. More and more I realized just how much my physical health was getting better, I was not getting stressed driving (or worse, getting road rage). The only thing I wish for is more protected bicycle lanes.

I have been getting more informed with local infrastructure projects, and I have been very excited to see the proposed plans for the Higgins Corridor project. I want to say that I fully support it. The proposed changes will make it safer for bicyclists and pedestrians making it more appealing to use other methods of transit other than car travel. In the long run it will also gradually reduce vehicle traffic as they either use other forms of transit, or find other routes of travel.

I imagine you have received many complaints from people who rely on their cars for transportation, and to those people I say: "when you are accustomed to privilege, equality feels like oppression". These very people are the ones who will benefit the most from these changes as others begin to use other means of transportation.

I want to reiterate, I fully support this plan and hope it gets implemented. This plan will help our city become more bicycle and pedestrian friendly, help us push towards our net zero goals, and make our community healthier, safer, and more pleasant to live in.

Thank you for taking the time to read this email,  
Dylan Landais

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**From:** Katie Jacquet <ktjacquet@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 25, 2023 11:29 AM  
**To:** Grp. City Council and City Web Site  
**Subject:** Support Higgins Corridor Preferred Alternative

Hello,

I wanted to share my support for the Higgins Corridor Preferred Alternative as it will be presented in committee today. I live and walk in the area daily, and would love to see this corridor be more pedestrian and bike friendly. This area is the best opportunity to improve walkability & public transit in town. I also drive through the area daily, and I am not deterred by the slight increase in single car transit time. This area also boosts a high number of local small businesses, and I think more foot-traffic is the best way to support their success, rather than focusing on increasing parking capacity.

Thank you,

Katie Jacquet

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**From:** Amadna Bielby <amandapaints10@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 25, 2023 11:06 AM  
**To:** Grp. City Council and City Web Site  
**Subject:** 4:15 meeting Public Safety

Please Consider

Plastics pollute at every stage creating physical obstructions inside tiny to large life forms. As plastics degrade into smaller and smaller pieces, they also distribute toxic chemicals in our water, air, and soil and cause harm to all life on earth. Plastics also contribute to the climate crisis at every stage of the plastic life cycle. We need to stop producing and using so many single-use plastics.

Please **restore power to local governments to regulate single-use plastics.**

Amanda K Bielby

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