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I would just like to express my support for the majority of the bond-funded improvements, particularity the libraries remodeling. However I do not support any money spent on improvements for bicycle paths until bicycles in Denver (and eventually the state) are required to be licensed annually, and charged a fee, and bicyclists then required to follow traffic laws. This will accomplish 2 things: 1) partially fund the transportation, much like the requirements for automobile users;, and 2) reduce accidents, as most bicycle/car accidents come from bicyclists not following the law (most accidents happen when cars are legally turning right and bicyclists are running the light) . Also, I would ask that bicycle lanes be generally put on streets that are not used as much by cars. For example, many cyclists use Logan street to go downtown, and that is a nightmare for motorists. The street is not wide enough to accommodate both, which means motorists are slowed down by the bikes, causing more congestion. There is no reason cyclists can's use an alternate street - it is funny to me that their complaint is that there are too many stop signs when I have only seen a cyclist actually stop for a stop sign twice in the last 10 years, and I am on the streets a lot! I know the city council thinks that promoting bicycles is a good alternative to the increased automobile traffic, but from a resident who lives in a neighborhood where bicycles are common, my experience has been quite the opposite. The answer to congestion in Denver is not to encourage bicyclists, it is to reduce the amount of high-density housing that is driving the density!

Thank you for your care for the city of Denver. Diana

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