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Hello Kate,

This is to confirm receipt of your comments, which have been shared with the Council and added to the record of Oct. 1.

Thank you,
Rebecca



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October 1 Comprehensive Plan hearing: Salmon Creek Greenway to WSU

Date of Hearing
Thu, 10/01/2026

Comment
My name is Kate Reed, and I live in the Salmon Creek/Barberton area. Please preserve and prioritize a continuous, separated shared-use-path connection from the existing Salmon Creek Greenway at Klineline to WSU Vancouver, with access to the Cougar Trails.

I'm a mom, and we moved to Clark County in 2021 for a better quality of life. We now own two properties here, in Sherwood and Barberton, and we plan to make this our long-term home. Since moving, I have been wary of running near my house because there are no sidewalks and no easy connections. The route over the freeway is unpleasant, and running down NE 50th is dangerous. We moved here for the green space, and right now reaching it means breathing exhaust, taking a risk on a busy road, or driving. A safe connection would change daily life for me, my kids and many other runners, walkers and families here.

This would implement connections identified in the current proposal. The September 2026 Transportation Capital Facilities Plan, Appendix A, Table 9, identifies Salmon Creek Interchange Project Phase 2 from NE 20th Avenue to the WSU entrance, including a regional shared-use path and a proposed connection to the Salmon Creek Greenway. Table 15 identifies shared-use-path facilities along NE 117th/119th and NE Salmon Creek Avenue toward WSU.

Please direct staff to develop a phased implementation plan that identifies the preferred alignment, Hwy 99 and I-5 crossing solutions, right-of-way and environmental needs, responsible agencies, funding opportunities, and the first buildable segment. Coordinate with WSDOT and WSU, and preserve opportunities to include the path in related capital projects before designs are fixed.

The standard should be a continuous path separated from motor traffic and usable by walkers, runners, families and cyclists, not a connection that relies on painted bike lanes, sharrows or disconnected roadside sidewalks. Please distinguish planned facilities from funded construction and identify remaining gaps explicitly.

This is an opportunity to connect existing public recreation and transportation assets while giving residents a practical way to reach parks and campus without driving. Please include this comment in the October 1 hearing record.

Kate Reed

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