

## LETTER OF SUPPORT

**Date:** June 4, 2024

**Grant:** Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (ATIIP) – USDOT

**Project:** NE 18<sup>th</sup> Street/East Powerline Regional Trail

The Transportation and Mobility Commission (TMC) writes in support of the NE 18<sup>th</sup> Street/East Powerline Regional Trail Project application for the Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (ATIIP) grant administered by the U.S. Department of Transportation.

The Transportation and Mobility Commission is an appointed body by Vancouver City Council that provides review and recommendations related to transportation projects, programs and policies at the City. Commission members represent a wide range of modal users, experiences and interests to provide feedback and guidance on citywide transportation policy and projects. As outlined in the 2024 Transportation System Plan, the NE 18<sup>th</sup> Street/East Powerline Regional Trail is on a designated Primary Pedestrian Corridor and creates a new connection on the designated pedestrian, bicycle and small mobility network in the city.

The Project enhances and expands this critical component of the off-street, multi-modal pedestrian, bicycle, and small mobility network through Vancouver's central and eastern neighborhoods. The Project will improve safety, livability and connectivity for and between several neighborhoods and services, including disadvantaged communities, libraries and community services, and multiple schools.

The TMC strongly supports advancement of the NE 18<sup>th</sup> Street/East Powerline Regional Trail through grant funding to better connect neighborhoods and services for our current and future community members.

Sincerely,

Transportation and Mobility Commission

Eduardo Ramos - Chair | Jeananne Edward - Vice Chair