<u>Accountability</u>: oppose the language in Section 20 that suggests that the OTC would have staff directly assigned to it. This seems likely to create a barrier between OTC and the Director and to cloud the line between policy and management.

<u>Transit</u>: support the employee payroll tax; transit is a critical piece of the package.

Excise tax: support both bike and car excise taxes. Consider increasing the car tax to 1%.

<u>Electric Vehicles</u>: support inclusion of a rebate for electric vehicles of \$2500/vehicle. Delete the provision using Public Purpose Charge funds for electric vehicle charging. Electric cars, not charging stations, should be our priority. The PPC is already committed to other energy efficiency projects.

<u>Congestion Relief Districts Outside Portland</u>: support deletion of requirement that programs already approved by OTC be submitted to the Legislature. This will add months to any project.

<u>Support these amendments to Safe Routes to School:</u>

- · Remove the ten-year sunset on the program
- Expand street safety funding to \$15M per year
- · Fund in-school education with \$6M per year
- · Include Title 1 prioritization for street safety projects
- · Create flexibility in local match requirement for Title 1 schools
- Expand the radius for eligible projects around schools to 1 mile

<u>Powell Blvd</u>: Support additional funding and/or a development plan for Powell Blvd. I understand that this is critical to impacted neighborhoods in Portland.

<u>Support the statewide transportation strategy on greenhouse gas reduction in transportation previously "accepted" by the OTC.</u>