My background in Portland planning efforts go back 30-some years.

Regretfully, I most vehemently oppose the Rose Q I-5 as proposed based on faulty engineering that worsens existing traffic hazards, everywhere around the RoseQuarter. The SW Corridor too is dismal engineering which met NONE of the basic metrics that determine merit and earned support. Let us not forget the CRC fiasco.

Priority 1: DEFUND ODOT department heads no longer worth their salt.

Priority 2: Do NOT convert city bus and Yellow School and GM/Ford paratransit lift-vans to EV as proposed. Build from ground up - suspension upgrades, weight displacement, safer handling, better interior conditions, unavoidable crash reduced injury.

Priority 3: Criminal Prosecution for crimes committed within project management. All agencies - ODOT, PBOT, Metro, Tri-Met and others involved in this deadly faulty design for the Rose Quarter I-5 as you propose. Alleged criminal charges begin with "Intentional misdirection of project studies to predetermined outcomes" (principally urban development). "Willful concealment of safety concerns from the public." And if these safety concerns are not addressed, "Reckless Endangerment" and "Negligent Homicide."

Priority 4: The SW Corridor MAX extension to Tigard is as misguided engineering and worse than the RoseQ I-5 MESS. Do NOT develop housing along 45+mph traffic nor near freeway on/off ramps. Crosswalks in such sites are considered "reckless endangerment"

Priority 5: Salvage ONE major element of the RoseQ I-5 project: YES relocate the southbound on/ramp from Wheeler Way to Weidler. Do NOT relocate the southbound off/ramp from Broadway to Wheeler Way. Period. Do salvage the Clackamas ped/bikeway Green Loop without the latest stupid idiot off/ramp U-shaped swoop of traffic noisily zooming by.

That new "improved" southbound exit west is a blind hairpin turn, obvious faulty engineering. Unacceptably high accident rating. I am ashamed of our state's DOT and transit and travel related planning agencies. May they all face criminal charges alleged above.

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