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I want legislators to prioritize people over cars. We cannot build our way out of traffic – there must be meaningful alternatives to cars. This includes high quality, high frequency transit (15 minute headways do not cut it!) with reliable service. You shouldn't need to check a bus schedule to make sure you're not going to be late. We should reclaim the right of way, prioritizing bike lanes, high quality sidewalks, dedicated transit lanes, and street trees over more room for cars. Neighborhood greenways are spectacular for biking on, but many of them are extremely poorly maintained. Big bumps and potholes can cause injuries to people on bikes – these streets should not be left to crumble. Highways do not help cities – they make navigating on foot or bike more difficult, they cut off neighborhoods from nearby services, and they don't direct traffic to local businesses. Spending billions while getting basically nothing in return didn't work out well for cities over the last century, and the same will be true today.