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Freeway expansion is a dead end. We've seen this over and over in communities around the corner. Freeways destroy communities, bring particular pollution into the hearts of our cities, and worst of all they incentivize an increase in vehicle miles traveled, which in turn results in disastrous growth in carbon dioxide emissions and climate catastrophe. Expanding a freeway doesn't make traffic better; within a few years traffic is just as much at a standstill as it ever was, as people choose to make more trips, or longer trips, or live and work at distances that require massive commutes.

Please prioritize green transportation: public transit, biking, and walking. Please prioritize road safety improvements. And please, please, do not expand any freeways.

And to be absolutely clear: the Rose Quarter Improvement project counts as a freeway expansion, even if it's only adding "auxiliary lanes."