

# LUCNG November Meeting

## Pauline's 98-page code amendment package

1. Applaud Pauline for fast, numerous responses.(at least 6)
2. Applaud deleting code that is redundant with the Standards and Specifications.
3. Proposed Mobility Hub code is too soon. I have encouraged Derek @ CET to provide comments.
4. **Bikeway code is mess.** The whole process is inverted.
  - ✓ Wilson Avenue under construction before.....
  - ✓ Standards and Specifications were adopted before.....
  - ✓ "Bike Guide Manual" is completed, Policy #40 of the **TSP.**

**Critical decisions and control are in the hands of a very few individuals.**



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# Hot Topic – October 19<sup>th</sup> Council Work session on Midtown Crossing Update

## Council agreed to staff's recommended schedule –

### #1 “quick-build” a Greenwood road diet pilot test

- Greenwood Road diet pilot test will be a waste of \$500,000

### #2 Franklin “cosmetic” crossing design

- Franklin was the unanimous top choice to complete because there are property development opportunities adjacent to this street.

### #3 Hawthorne “statement” bridge

- Staff is seeking \$\$\$\$\$\$\$ funding from the Feds for this statement bridge at Hawthorne Avenue.

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## Hot Topic – Re-authorization for the Fire/EMS Levy

1. Staff has made two presentations to Council (April 20<sup>th</sup> and November 2<sup>nd</sup>)
2. Replace the existing levy of \$0.20 per \$1,000 Total Assessment Value (TAV) with a \$0.81 per \$1,000 TAV (a 400% increase).
3. Reasons given are -
  - Existing Fire/EMS Funding is insufficient to pay for existing and new staffing
  - Inflation
  - Maintain response times
4. However, research of presentations and budgets don't support staff's claims -
  - staff uses only the data which supports their recommendation.
  - authorization of this larger levy allows the city to shift almost \$ 20M of the typical General fund allocation to Fire/EMS fund to other tasks.
5. The City will be conducting a survey this month to measure level of support for a new Levy on the ballot spring 2023.