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Agenda item (number and title): Preliminary 2024-2027 Multi-Year Operating and Capital Budgets

Service inquiry: Submit Comments in writing
Participation preference: N/A
Comments in writing: Greetings,

I am a resident, worker, motorist, biker and walker in downtown Winnipeg, and want to take time to make comment on my views on the priorities for the new 2024-2027 Budget.

I believe that Winnipeg Central is an important generating factor in the economy of the City of Winnipeg, and more money should justly be reinvested into the downtown in ways that support its residents who can in turn further invigorate downtown for all to enjoy. Residents and visitors being able to walk and bike, easily and safely, around downtown means more opportunities for business and less costly road maintenance. As well, investing in transit that aids walkers and bikers come in and out of our beautiful city center more easily will make the lives of those downtown easier, and makes a visit downtown a more enjoyable and congestion free.

Our housing crisis can only be solved by building dense housing, and that is only possible where investments are made in infrastructure and resources that support this. Millenium Library is a critical resource to the people of downtown and deserves increases in funding. Downtown parks, businesses, and people focused infrastructure (such as bike lanes and car free areas) allow people an enjoyable and easy life here. Much talk is made of revitalizing downtown but the only thing that will truly allow this to happen is top-of-class investments in creating modern urban environments where people's well being is prioritized.

Kindest regards.
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Public engagement preference: Yes