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Cc: <u>Donoghue, Tracy</u>

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## Dear Board of Finance,

I would like to express my support for the Mayor's budget, specifically the investments in safe streets and housing. As a runner, biker, and frequent stroller-pushing dad, I can say with firsthand experience Stamford needs a big upgrade to its pedestrian/biker infrastructure. My family and I love spending time downtown, and one of the only downsides of an afternoon stroll to Mill River Park or Honey Joe's is the high speed traffic and dangerous intersections.

I also wanted to support the funding for Barrett Park, my neighborhood park. It's a great resource utilized by everyone in the area, and from what I've seen in the improvement plans, it will be made much safer for folks on foot. In a recent planning meeting, several people shared firsthand experiences with friends and family getting hit by cars in the area. A safety upgrade would mean a lot to the residents of this area!

Thank you for your time,

Kevin Maguire