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As a private citizen I want to include the following comments:

I am a hockey fan and have been a 5 season ticket holder for the Portland Winterhawks until this last year. I ceased my season tickets because of the gas, travel time and parking costs. If light rail comes to Vancouver, I will save \$8 to \$13 dollars a game for parking alone. This exceeds the cost of son's ticket. The inclusion of light rail will influence my decision to get season tickets in the future.

Also, I work and live in Vancouver but recognize that citizens make the conscious choice of where they live and work. If someone has made the conscious decision to undertake the I-5 bridge commute, that is a personal, financial and professional decision. Expansion of the bridge without light rail is rewarding poor commuting behavior. The benefit for "non-work commuters" who chose not to travel I-5 during peak hours is negligible. Where is a direct benefit for the average citizen who doesn't commute.

In addition, a new bridge will only serve to foster the low-density suburb mentality in Clark County. So you could say that no light rail will have a negative environmental and quality-of-life affect for the citizens of Clark County.

Without rail, I recommend that the bridge be left as it exists and let the market continue to dictate peoples commuting choices and driving habits. Gas at \$4 a barrel is already having that affect. Please don't interfere with that.

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