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## Results of survey of candidates regarding cycling in Winnipeg

**Background:** “*Bike to the Future*” is a community-based organization advocating for pro-cycling policy in Winnipeg. Last month, the group held a participatory forum on the future of cycling – discussing what is needed to make cycling safer and better in our city – and they produced a report for city and provincial politicians. Leading up to the election, the group asked all 48 candidates, including the four mayoral candidates, to fill out a survey on their views regarding cycling policy.

**Releasing the results:** The results from the survey will be released at a press conference on **Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 12 PM** in the parking lot of Sam Katz’s campaign headquarters (756 Pembina Hwy). The press conference will be followed by a short bike ride down one of Winnipeg’s most dangerous roads used by many cyclists – Pembina highway under the Jubilee underpass. We invite media to attend to cover this important and visually appealing story.

**The survey:** Cyclists developed the simple and easy to answer survey. It had four questions (which are presented here in summary form):

1. Do you support implementation of the Active Transportation Study?
2. Do you support at least 2.8% of the city’s budget for streets going towards cycling routes and facilities?
3. How would you ensure street development incorporates cyclist needs and safety concerns?
4. What program would you include in the upcoming budget to promote bicycle commuting and recreation in Winnipeg?

The replies of candidates were graded based on the degree to which they were supportive of cycling, focused on policy implementation and provided leadership and vision for cycling in Winnipeg.



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