

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-24

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND ALDERMAN RICK STAIGLE TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR A CALL FOR PROJECTS TO HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL (H-GAC) FOR MEADOWS PLACE-STAFFORD SHARED-USE PATHS.

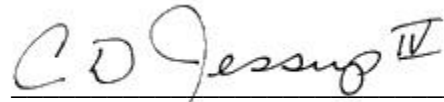
WHEREAS, The City Council of The City of Meadows Place is requesting federal funding for the Project; and

WHEREAS, The primary outcome to be achieved by this project would be to provide a bicycle and pedestrian connections that serves two cities and provides connections to schools, parks, restaurants and entertainment areas, and

WHEREAS, The City Council of The City of Meadows Place commits to funding the City share of the Project through General Funds or Economic Development Council Funds in the appropriate fiscal year based on the funding year designated in the TIP or RTP.

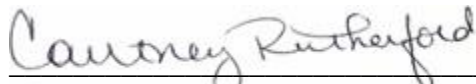
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that The City Council of The City of Meadows Place approves submission of the application for a Call for Projects to Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) for Meadows Place-Stafford Shared-Use Paths, attached hereto as Exhibit A.

PASSED and APPROVED this, the 9th Day of October, 2018.



Charles D. Jessup IV, Mayor

ATTEST:



Courtney Rutherford, City Secretary





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October 23, 2018

Vishu Lingala, Principal Planner
Houston-Galveston Area Council
3555 Timmons, Suite 120
Houston, TX 77027

Re: Funding Commitment Letter (H-GAC 2018 TIP Call for Projects Application)

Dear Vishu Lingala:

This letter confirms the commitment by the City of Stafford to construct a shared-use (bicycle and pedestrian) path within the CenterPoint easement adjacent to Fountain Lake Drive. Upon completion, the path will ultimately provide connectivity to Meadows Place and various employment, education, cultural arts and entertainment, and shopping destinations.

This project will be added to the City's Capital Improvement Program with funding committed to both options proposed with a 20 percent City contribution/match or a maximum \$362,052 of the total project costs beginning in FY 2020/21.

Please find attached documentation for this grant application. We look forward to hearing from you once the project selection process is completed.

Sincerely,

Leonard Scarcella
Mayor



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October 11, 2018

Mayor Charles Jessup
City of Meadows Place
1 Troyan Drive
Meadows Place, TX 77477

Re: Support for the Meadows Place – Stafford Shared-Use Path project.

Dear Mayor Charles Jessup,

The Houston Parks Board is delighted to offer our support for the Meadows Place – Stafford Shared-Use Path project within their CenterPoint easement. The Houston Parks Board's *Beyond the Bayous (BTB)* study proposed a future hike and bike greenway network to improve connectivity throughout Harris County. We identified this trail as an important connector in our BTB study. As we work to improve connectivity by implementing our BTB greenway system, we are happy to offer support for others who are doing the same.

The Houston Parks Board will also consider adding to the proposed Shared-Use Path project in the future. We would continue the trail north along the CenterPoint easement to connect to the existing Keegans Bayou trail system, Boone Road Park, and eventually to Brays Bayou Greenway, as funding becomes available.

The proposed trail system would support both recreational activities as well as access to jobs, education, and entertainment. Expanding our network of greenways makes it easier for residents to rely on walking and biking to go about their daily lives. This reduces stress on people, roads and household budgets.

We would like to add our thanks to the City of Meadows Place for their work in creating an important amenity for our region.

Best Regards,

Beth White
President & CEO

Houston Parks Board is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) dedicated to providing access to quality parks and greenspace for all people. Houston Parks Board creates, improves, protects and advocates for parkland in the Greater Houston region. Since 1976, the organization has utilized public-private partnerships and its extensive philanthropic, government and community relationships to improve parks large and small.