RESOLUTION NO. R-2018-0015

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA AMRQUE, TEXAS OF SUPPORT AND FUNDING COMMITMENT FOR APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL FOR THE 2018 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM CALL FOR PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the City of La Marque, Texas is a home rule municipality and a political subdivision of the State of Texas and is an eligible recipient of federal-aid transportation funding;

WHEREAS, through a comprehensive planning process the City of La Marque has identified a priority alternative mode project for regional discretionary funding support to reduce congestion, improve access to transit, improve pedestrian safety, increase American's with Disabilities Act accommodations, and generate economic benefit;

WHEREAS, the Houston-Galveston Area Council has issued the 2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Call for Projects;

WHEREAS, the City of La Marque desires to apply for discretionary grant funding in order to complete this project;

WHEREAS, the City of La Marque has the financial, technical, and legal capacity to enter into a grant agreement and to deliver the project in accordance with the grant requirements, if awarded;

WHEREAS, the City of La Marque is committed to providing the required local share commitment as established by the Houston-Galveston Area Council, if awarded; and

WHEREAS, the City of La Marque agrees to maintain and operate the projects improvements for their useful life, and/or utilize existing maintenance agreements with partner agencies, if the Projects are funded and constructed.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA MARQUE:

Section 1. The Mayor and the City Council hereby authorize the submittal of all required data and information to support requests for discretionary funding for the Projects.

Section 2: The Mayor and City Council hereby authorize the commitment of non-federal resources to provide the local match requirement for the Projects, if awarded.

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Section 3: The Mayor and City Council hereby recognize that the City of La Marque agrees to maintain and operate the Projects for their useful life, and/or utilize existing maintenance agreements with partner agencies, if the Projects are funded and constructed.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this the 11th day of June, 2018.

CITY OF LA MARQUE, TEXAS

Bobby Hockin Mayor

ATTEST.

Robin Eldridge, TRMC

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Ellis J. Ortego, City Attorney



August 29, 2018

Mr. Alan Clark
Director of Transportation Planning
Houston-Galveston Area Council
P.O. Box 22777
Houston, TX 77227-2777

Re: Support for Transportation Improvement Program Request by the City of La Marque

Dear Mr. Clark,

I am pleased to offer this letter supporting the City of La Marque in their pursuit of funding through the 2018 Houston-Galveston Area Council Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). With the requested funding support, the City of La Marque plans to add sidewalks along two corridors in the city:

- FM 1765 from I-45 frontage road to Westward Avenue (south side)
- FM 519 from Bayou Road to SH3 (both sides)

The sidewalks would add pedestrian facilities to corridors that currently have no sidewalks. Both corridors have experienced pedestrian and bicycle fatalities in the last three years: the addition of sidewalks would greatly improve safety for non-motorized users and improve access to transit. The sidewalk projects would also allow for increased access and connectivity to the transit stops of the Connect Transit La Marque bus route, which serve both corridors. The project scope includes upgraded bus amenities for transit riders.

The Galveston County Transit District fully supports La Marque's pursuit of federal funding through the TIP program. The improvements sought will improve the ability of individuals to safely access transit service.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact my office at (409) 692-6697

Sincerely,

Bobby Hocking Chairman

Galveston County Transit District



RANDY WEBER MEMBER OF CONGRESS FOURTEENTH DISTRICT, TEXAS

October 5, 2018

Mr. Alan Clark Director of Transportation Planning Houston-Galveston Area Council Post Office Box 22777 Houston, Texas 77227-2777

Re: Support for Transportation Improvement Program Request by the City of La Marque

Dear Mr. Clark:

I am pleased to provide this letter supporting the City of La Marque in their pursuit of funding through the 2018 Houston-Galveston Area Council Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). With the requested funding, the City of La Marque plans to add sidewalks along two corridors in the city: on FM 1765, from the I-45 frontage road to the south side of Westward Avenue; and on FM 519, from Bayou Road to SH3 (both sides).

The sidewalks would add pedestrian facilities to corridors that currently have no sidewalks or pedestrian amenities. Both corridors have experienced pedestrian and bicycle fatalities in the last three years; the addition of sidewalks would greatly improve safety for non-motorized users. The sidewalk projects would also allow for increased access and connectivity to the transit stops of the Connect Transit La Marque bus route, serving both corridors.

I appreciate your careful consideration of La Marque's TIP request. If you have any questions or concerns pertaining to this request, please contact my office at (202) 225-2831.

Sincerely,

Randy Weber

Member of Congress

K. Will



October 3, 2018

DISTRICT 23
CHAMBERS AND GALVESTON COUNTIES

Mr. Alan Clark
Director of Transportation Planning
Houston-Galveston Area Council
P.O. Box 22777
Houston, TX 77227-2777

Re: Support for Transportation Improvement Program Request by the City of La Marque

Dear Mr. Clark,

As the State Representative for the City of La Marque, I am pleased to offer this letter supporting their pursuit of funding through the 2018 Houston-Galveston Area Council Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The requested funding of support is critical for the City of La Marque to add sidewalks along two corridors in the city:

- FM 1765 from I-45 frontage road to Westward Avenue (south side)
- FM 519 from Bayou Road to SH3 (both sides)

The sidewalks would add pedestrian facilities to corridors that currently have no sidewalks or pedestrian amenities. Both corridors have experienced pedestrian and bicycle fatalities in the last three years: the addition of sidewalks would greatly improve safety for non-motorized users. The sidewalk projects would also allow for increased access and connectivity to the transit stops of the Connect Transit La Marque bus route, which serve both corridors.

I fully support La Marque's pursuit of federal funding through the TIP program. The improvements sought will improve the ability of individuals to access various activity centers in La Marque, transit stops, and provide facilities for non-motorized travel modes, including pedestrians and bicyclists.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact my office at 512.463.0502.

Sincerely,

Wayne Faircloth.

Texas House, District 23

cc: Carol Buttler, City Manager City of La Marque

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SENATOR LARRY TAYLOR DISTRICT 11

October 12, 2018

Mr. Alan Clark Director of Transportation Planning Houston-Galveston Area Council P.O. Box 22777 Houston, TX 77227-2777

Re: Support for Transportation Improvement Program Request by the City of La Marque

Dear Mr. Clark,

Please accept this letter of support regarding the City of La Marque in their pursuit of funding through the 2018 Houston-Galveston Area Council Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). With the requested funding support, the City of La Marque plans to add sidewalks along two corridors in the city:

- FM 1765 from I-45 frontage road to Westward Avenue (south side)
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The sidewalks would add pedestrian facilities to corridors that currently have no sidewalks or pedestrian amenities. As both corridors have experienced pedestrian and bicycle fatalities in the last three years, the addition of sidewalks would greatly improve safety for non-motorized users. The sidewalk projects would also allow for increased access and connectivity to the transit stops of the Connect Transit La Marque bus route, which serve both corridors.

I support La Marque's pursuit of federal funding through the TIP program. The improvements sought will improve the ability of individuals to access various activity centers in La Marque, transit stops, and provide facilities for non-motorized travel modes, including pedestrians and bicyclists.

Please free to contact my office should you need any additional information.

Sincerely,

Larry Taylor Senate District 11

cc: Carol Buttler, City Manager, City of La Marque