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October 25, 2018

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

Re: East End District Pedestrian-Transit Access Project Support and Funding Commitment

Dear Mr. Clark,

The East End District's (EED) proposal for sidewalks providing Pedestrian-Transit Access is part of a larger plan currently being implemented in the East End to improve mobility options for those who use public transit, walk, or bike to work and make the District the most walkable neighborhood in Houston. As such, the EED commits to provide the local match for the following project submitted through the 2018 Houston-Galveston Area Council Transportation Improvement Program Call for Projects:

Project	Total Cost (\$2018)	Local Share (\$2018)	Match %
Pedestrian- Transit Access	\$3,797,919	\$759,583.85	20%

The East End District understands that the final costs may be adjusted appropriately for inflation, requiring modifications to the local share as needed based on the programmed year of funding.

Thank you for your consideration of funding.

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Sincerely,

Veronica C. Gorczynski

President

East End District

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT AND FUNDING COMMITMENT FOR 2018 CALL FOR PROJECTS SUBMISSIONS

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE EAST END DISTRICT, A
GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF TEXAS,
FOR THE SUPPORT AND FUNDING COMMITMENT OF A GRANT APPLICATION
THROUGH THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL TRANSPORTATION
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM CALL FOR PROJECTS
(SIDEWALK PROJECT)

WHEREAS, the East End District, formerly known as the Greater East End Management District (District) would like to continue its program of installing and repairing sidewalks to facilitate use of the light rail transportation system constructed in the District (the "Project");

WHEREAS, the District requires discretionary funding to be able to realize the Project;

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

WHEREAS, the District is a grantee of the Federal Transit Administration and has the documented capability to apply for, manage, deliver, and administer all grant funds awarded, as previously demonstrated through successful grant-related project delivery;

WHEREAS, the District is willing to commit to provide the match of \$779,000 as the required local share commitment as established by H-GAC; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE EAST END DISTRICT THAT:

Section 1. The District Board hereby authorizes the submittal of all required data and information to support a request for the pursuit of discretionary funding.

Section 2. The District Board hereby agrees to provide the required local match of \$779,000 for the Project;

Section 3. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 27 day of September, 2018.

Chairman Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Secretary, Board of Directors

(SEAL)



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October 17, 2018

Greater East End Management District 3211 Harrisburg Blvd. Houston, TX 77003

Re:

2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Call for Projects – City of Houston

Concurrence

Dear Greater East End Management District:

The City of Houston Review Committee has reviewed Greater East End Management District's application for TIP funding to construct the Pedestrian Transit Access Project. The Review Committee will notify H-GAC that the conceptual design is consistent with City guidelines and plans.

Please be advised that projects will be subject to City of Houston final design review and approval prior to construction. Any non-standard improvements in city right-of-way will require a maintenance agreement prior to construction. Sponsors awarded federal funding should be prepared to coordinate design and construction through Houston Public Works as a local let contract.

The staff of both departments is prepared to continue working with you during the project development process. Please contact Jennifer Ostlind at (832) 393-6569 or via email at jennifer.ostlind@houstontx.gov or Gary Hill at (832) 395-3082 or via email at gary.hill@houstontx.gov if you have any questions or require additional guidance.

Sincerely,

Margaret Wallace Brown

Acting Director

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Carol Ellinger Haddock, P.E.

Director

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KARLA CISNEROS Houston City Council Member, District H

October 1, 2018

Mr. Alan Clark Director of Transportation Planning Houston-Galveston Area Council 3555 Timmons, Suite 120 Houston, TX 77027

RE: Letter of Support for Pedestrian-Transit Access Projects

Dear Mr. Clark,

As City Council Member for District H, I write in support of the Greater East End Management District (GEEMD) project proposal submitted to H-GAC's 2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Call for Projects. GEEMD's proposal to construct new sidewalks and curb ramps that meet, and where possible, exceed ADA standards to provide access to major METRO bus and light rail service will positively impact mobility options and accessibility within the East End, particularly for seniors and individuals living with a disability. GEEMD's proposal is part of a larger plan currently being implemented in the East End to improve mobility options for those who use public transit, walk, or bike to work and make the District the most walkable neighborhood in Houston.

The sidewalk improvement locations are high priorities within the community to provide direct multi-modal access to key transit services and the Harrisburg Hike and Bike Trail. Sidewalk improvements located along and around Canal, Texas, Polk, Leeland, Sampson, and Eastwood Streets, will improve connectivity and allow greater accessibility to jobs, education, and services for the community. Many existing sidewalks and curb ramps are below standard, in need of repair, or are missing. Overall, this project will provide essential mobility improvements for the neighborhood and in my role as Council Member, I am always looking for opportunities to enhance the quality of life for residents.

I believe supporting this project is an opportunity to create a walkable community that provides options for people to use multiple modes of transportation, including public transit, walking, and biking. This project will build on significant investment already made by GEEMD and continue to positively transform the community.

Sincerely,

Karla Cisneros

Council Member, District H

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October 10, 2018

Mr. Alan Clark Director of Transportation Planning Houston-Galveston Area Council 3555 Timmons, Suite 120 Houston, TX 77027

RE: Letter of Support for Pedestrian-Transit Access Projects

Dear Mr.Clark,

I am writing this letter of support in reference to the 2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Call for Projects proposal that the Greater East End Management District (GEEMD) is submitting to H-GAC for funding to construct new sidewalks and curb ramps that meet, and where possible, exceed ADA standards in order to provide access to major METRO bus and light rail service. This project will positively impact mobility options and accessibility within the East End, particularly for seniors and individuals living with a disability. GEEMD's proposal is part of a larger plan currently being implemented in the East End to improve mobility options for those who use public transit, walk, or bike to work and make the District the most walkable neighborhood in Houston.

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I believe supporting this project is an opportunity to create a walkable community that provides options for people to use multiple modes of transportation, including public transit, walking, and biking. This project will build on significant investment already made by GEEMD and continue to positively transform the community.

Respectfully.

Robert Gallegos

Houston Council Member

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