



RODNEY ELLIS
COMMISSIONER

October 29, 2018

Beth White
President & CEO
Houston Parks Board
300 North Post Oak Blvd.
Houston, TX 77024

RE: Houston Parks Board / Houston Parks and Recreation Department submissions for H-GAC Call for Projects 2018

Dear Ms. White:

Harris County Precinct One is pleased to send this letter in support of Houston Parks Board's application for Transportation Improvement Project funding. Precinct One supports connecting the city by developing a network of off-road shared use paths where residents can walk and bike safely. Expanding our network of greenways that reach jobs, education, and other services makes it easier for residents to rely on biking and walking to go about their daily lives. This reduces stress on people, on our roads, and on household budgets.

The *Beyond the Bayous Regional Connector Network of Greenways* offers a vision to broaden the reach of Bayou Greenways 2020. Its inclusion in the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan will provide a roadmap for a comprehensive network of connected greenway trails throughout Harris County.

The *Little White Oak Bayou Regional Greenway* will extend from Halls Bayou at Acres Home through several largely low-income and minority neighborhoods to White Oak Bayou Greenway near downtown. The proposed trail will also connect to three transit centers—Northline, North Shepherd, and Acres Home, vastly improving access to jobs, education, and recreation.

The *Port Connector Greenway* project links the Port of Houston Turning Basin to Buffalo, Brays and Sims Bayou Greenways, and ultimately to Hobby Airport. It also creates a link to the west along Navigation, connecting to the trails at Buffalo Bayou Park East leading to downtown.

We support these projects.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact my office at 713-991-6881.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rodney Ellis".

Rodney Ellis
Commissioner



KARLA CISNEROS
Houston City Council Member, District H

October 16, 2018

Beth White
President & CEO
Houston Parks Board
300 North Post Oak Blvd.
Houston, TX 77024

Dear Beth,

I am pleased to send this letter in support of Houston Parks Board's application for Transportation Improvement Project funding. As Council Member representing District H, I support uniting the city by developing a network of off-road shared use paths where residents can walk and bike safely. Expanding our network of greenways that reach jobs, education, and other services makes it easier for residents to rely on biking and walking to go about their daily lives. This reduces stress on people, on our roads, and on household budgets.

The *Regional Connector Network of Greenways* is a vision for expanding the network of Bayou Greenway 2020 trails. Its inclusion in the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan would provide a roadmap for a comprehensive network of greenway trails that connect throughout Harris County.

The *Port Connector Segment* project connects from the Port of Houston Turning Basin, to Buffalo, Brays and Sims Bayou Greenways, and ultimately to Hobby e4d2Airport. It also completes a missing link west along Navigation to connect into the trails at Buffalo Bayou Park East into downtown.

The *Little White Oak Bayou Regional Connector* would extend from Acres Home through multiple neighborhoods, to White Oak Bayou Greenway and ultimately to downtown. The proposed trail will connect to two Bayou Greenways (White Oak and Halls) and the three transit centers (Northline, North Shepherd, and Acres homes) and link several largely low income and minority neighborhoods to the Bayou Greenways, improving access to jobs, education, and recreation.

Each of these projects create neighborhood connections to existing parks, METRO lines, employment centers and residential areas in District H, and are all deserving. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Karla Cisneros".

Karla Cisneros
Council Member, District H



AMANDA K. EDWARDS
Houston City Council Member, At-Large 4

Committee Assignments:

Budget and Fiscal Affairs,
Vice Chair

Economic Development

Ethics, Elections and
Council Governance

Transportation Technology
and Infrastructure

October 17, 2018

Beth White
President & CEO
Houston Parks Board
300 North Post Oak Blvd.
Houston, TX 77024

RE: Houston Parks Board / Houston Parks and Recreation Department
submissions for
H-GAC Call for Projects 2018

Dear Ms. White,

I am pleased to send this letter in support of Houston Parks Board's application for Transportation Improvement Project funding. As a City of Houston Council Member At-Large, I support uniting the city by developing a network of off-road shared use paths where residents can walk and bike safely. Expanding our network of greenways that reach jobs, education, and other services makes it easier for residents to rely on biking and walking to go about their daily lives. This reduces stress on people, on our roads, and on household budgets.

The projects identified below provide a vision for future linkages that connect five separate Bayou Greenways. I support these proposed projects:

The *Beyond the Bayous Regional Connector Network of Greenways* offers a vision to broaden the reach of Bayou Greenways 2020. Its inclusion in the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan will provide a roadmap for a comprehensive network of connected greenway trails throughout Harris County.

The *West Side/Westpark Connector Greenway* project will provide safe bicycle/pedestrian access from Gulfton, the densest neighborhood in Houston, to two transit centers, seven high frequency bus routes, and Brays Bayou Greenway. It will also connect multiple schools, parks, and businesses.



AMANDA K. EDWARDS
Houston City Council Member, At-Large 4

Committee Assignments:

Budget and Fiscal Affairs,
Vice Chair

Economic Development

Ethics, Elections and
Council Governance

Transportation Technology
and Infrastructure


The *Port Connector Greenway* project links the Port of Houston Turning Basin to Buffalo, Brays and Sims Bayou Greenways, and ultimately to Hobby Airport. It also creates a link to the west along Navigation, connecting to the trails at Buffalo Bayou Park East leading to downtown.

The *Little White Oak Bayou Regional Greenway* will extend from Halls Bayou at Acres Home through several largely low income and minority neighborhoods to White Oak Bayou Greenway near downtown. The proposed trail will also connect to three transit centers—Northline, North Shepherd, and Acres Home, vastly improving access to jobs, education, and recreation.

Together the *West Side/Westpark*, *Port Connector*, and *Little White Oak Bayou Greenway* projects will add more than 29 miles of trails to the 150 miles of Bayou Greenways 2020 trails. Each of these projects are unique, but all create neighborhood connections to existing parks, METRO lines and residential areas and all are deserving.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,


Council Member Amanda Edwards
City of Houston At-Large Position 4



David W. Robinson

Houston City Council Member, At-Large 2

Committees

Chair, Transportation, Technology & Infrastructure
Vice-Chair, Quality of Life
Vice-Chair, Regulation and Neighborhood Affairs
Budget and Fiscal Affairs

Ethics, Elections and Council Governance
Housing and Community Affairs
Houston First Board Member, Ex-Officio
Second Vice Chair, Transportation Policy Council

October 26, 2018

Beth White
President & CEO, Houston Parks Board
300 North Post Oak Blvd.
Houston, TX 77024

RE: Houston Parks Board / Houston Parks and Recreation Department submissions for 2018 Call for Projects

Dear Ms. White,

I am pleased to support the Houston Parks Board and Houston Parks and Recreation Department's application for funding through the 2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). As an at-large council member, I believe our city and our region must make it easier and safer for residents to bike and walk in their daily routines in order to reduce the stress on our road network and improve quality of life. The projects identified below provide a compelling vision for future linkages that connect five separate Bayou Greenways:

- The *Beyond the Bayous Regional Connector Network of Greenways* offers a vision to broaden the reach of Bayou Greenways 2020. Its inclusion in the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan will provide a roadmap for a comprehensive network of connected greenway trails throughout Harris County.
- The *West Side/Westpark Connector Greenway* will provide safe bicycle/pedestrian access from Gulfton (the densest neighborhood in Houston) to two transit centers, seven high-frequency bus routes, and Brays Bayou Greenway. It will also connect multiple schools, parks and businesses.
- The *Port Connector Greenway* links the Port of Houston Turning Basin to Buffalo, Brays and Sims Bayou Greenways, and ultimately to Hobby Airport. It also creates a link to the west along Navigation, connecting to the trails at Buffalo Bayou Park East leading to downtown.
- The *Little White Oak Bayou Regional Greenway* will extend from Halls Bayou at Acres Home through several largely low-income minority neighborhoods to White Oak Bayou Greenway near downtown. The trail will also connect to three transit centers, vastly improving access to jobs, education and recreation.

Together, the West Side/Westpark, Port Connector and Little White Oak Bayou projects will add more than 29 miles of trails to the 150 miles of Bayou Greenways 2020. I fully support these projects, which will create vital connections linking people and neighborhoods to parks, transit and job centers.

Gratefully,

David W. Robinson, FAIA
Council Member, At-Large Position 2

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

P.O. Box 2910
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78768-2910
(512) 463-0620
(512) 463-0894 FAX



JESSICA FARRAR
DISTRICT 148

P.O. Box 30099
HOUSTON, TEXAS 77249
(713) 691-6912
(713) 691-3363 FAX

JESSICA.FARRAR@HOUSE.TEXAS.GOV

COMMITTEES:
JUDICIARY & CIVIL JURISPRUDENCE
VICE-CHAIR
STATE AFFAIRS

October 26, 2018

Beth White
President & CEO
Houston Parks Board
300 North Post Oak Blvd.
Houston, TX 77024

RE: Houston Parks Board / Houston Parks and Recreation Department submissions for
H-GAC Call for Projects 2018

Dear Ms. White,

Please accept this letter in support of Houston Parks Board's application for Transportation Improvement Project funding. I am in support of uniting the city by developing a network of off-road shared use paths where residents can walk and bike safely. Expanding our network of greenways that reach jobs, education, and other services make it easier for residents to rely on biking and walking to go about their daily lives. Alternative forms of transportation reduce stress on people, on our roads, and on household budgets.

The projects identified below provide a vision for future linkages that connect five separate Bayou Greenways. I support these proposed projects:

The Beyond the Bayous Regional Connector Network of Greenways offers a vision to broaden the reach of Bayou Greenways 2020. If included in the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan, the network will provide a roadmap for a comprehensive system of connected greenway trails throughout Harris County.

The West Side/Westpark Connector Greenway project will provide safe bicycle/pedestrian access from Gulfton, the densest neighborhood in Houston, to two transit centers, seven high-frequency bus routes, and Brays Bayou Greenway. It will also connect multiple schools, parks, and businesses.

Ms. Beth White
Page 2
October 26, 2018

The Port Connector Greenway project links the Port of Houston Turning Basin to Buffalo, Brays and Sims Bayou Greenways, and ultimately to Hobby Airport. The project also creates a link to the west along Navigation, connecting to the trails at Buffalo Bayou Park East leading to downtown.

The Little White Oak Bayou Regional Greenway will extend from Halls Bayou at Acres Home through several largely low income and minority neighborhoods to White Oak Bayou Greenway near downtown. The proposed trail will also connect to three transit centers—Northline, North Shepherd, and Acres Home, vastly improving access to jobs, education, and recreation.

Together the West Side/Westpark, Port Connector, and Little White Oak Bayou Greenway projects will add more than 29 miles of trails to the 150 miles of Bayou Greenways 2020 trails. Each of these projects are unique, but all create neighborhood connections to existing parks, METRO lines and residential areas and all are deserving.

Please contact my office if I can be of service or answer any questions.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jessica Farrar". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly stylized font.

Jessica Farrar
State Representative, District 148



Greater Northside Management District

13000

615 North Loop East Site. 104., Houston, Texas 77022

(713) 229-0900 office

October 10, 2018

Beth White
President & CEO
Houston Parks Board
300 North Post Oak Blvd.
Houston, TX 77024

RE: Houston Parks Board / Houston Parks and Recreation Department submissions for
H-GAC call for projects 2018

Dear Beth White,

The Greater Northside Management District is pleased to send this letter in support of Houston Parks Board's application for Transportation Improvement Project funding. Our organization supports uniting the city by developing a network of off-road, shared-use paths where residents can walk and bike safely. Expanding our network of greenways that reach jobs, education, and other services makes it easier for residents to rely on biking and walking to go about their daily lives. This reduces stress on people, on our roads, and on household budgets.

The Regional Connector Network of Greenways is a vision for expanding the network of Bayou Greenway 2020 trails. Its inclusion in the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan would provide a roadmap for a comprehensive network of greenway trails that connect throughout Harris County, including the Greater Northside area.

The Little White Oak Bayou Regional Connector would extend from Acres Home through multiple neighborhoods, to White Oak Bayou Greenway, and ultimately to downtown. The proposed trail will connect to two Bayou Greenways (White Oak and Halls) and three transit centers (Northline, North Shepherd, and Acres Homes) and link several largely low income and minority neighborhoods to the Bayou Greenways, improving access to jobs, education, and recreation for people in the Greater Northside area. As such, we support these projects.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me directly.

Best Regards,

Rebecca Reyna
Executive Director



Mission Statement

"Provide safe, clean, reliable, accessible and friendly public transportation services to our region."

Board of Directors

Carrin F. Patman
Chair

Jim Robinson
First Vice-Chair

Cindy Siegel
Second Vice-Chair

Troi Taylor
Secretary

Lisa Castañeda

Don Elder, Jr.

Lex Frieden

Terry Morales

Sanjay Ramabhadran
(Ram)

President & Chief Executive Officer

Thomas C. Lambert

October 30, 2018

Alan C. Clark
Houston-Galveston Area Council
3555 Timmons Lane, Suite 120
Houston, Texas 77027

RE: Letter of Support for Houston Parks Board 2018 Call for Projects Applications

Dear Mr. Clark:

The Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County (METRO) supports the Houston Parks Board's 2018 Call for Projects applications. When taken together, The Beyond the Bayous, West Side and Westpark Regional Connector Segments, Port Regional Connector Segments and Little White Oak Bayou Regional Connector Segments, constitute a wide-ranging mobility plan for the City of Houston. Each of the proposed segments will support access to METRO's transit system, providing regional interconnectivity within a multimodal system. METRO is making significant investments in universal accessibility at its transit stops. We believe the proposed projects will provide an opportunity to maximize that investment by providing improved bicycle and pedestrian connections in high-demand locations.

METRO looks forward to partnering with the Houston Parks Board and the Houston-Galveston Area Council to deliver strategies and implement projects in the Houston area that support the goals of universal accessibility for our patrons today and tomorrow. Please feel free to contact me at 713-739-6062 should you need further information about our recommendation.

Sincerely,

Roberto Treviño, P.E.
Executive Vice President
Planning, Engineering & Construction

Cc: Beth While, President & CEO, Houston Parks Board
Thomas C. Lambert, President & CEO, METRO
Clint Harbert, AICP, VP Systems & Capital Planning, METRO
Albert Lyne, Director Grant Programs, METRO



Commissioner Jack Morman

Harris County Precinct Two

1001 Preston, Suite 924 • Houston, TX 77002 • Tel: 713.755.6220 • Fax: 713.755.8810

October 29, 2018

Quincy Allen
District Engineer
TxDOT Houston District
7600 Washington Ave.
Houston, TX 77007

RE: Letter of Support TxDOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Program

Dear Mr. Allen:

Precinct 2 is pleased to provide a letter of support to TxDOT's Houston District for their recent submission to call for projects.

As a partner, we affirm our financial support to pay for our share of trails and are committed to work with the state for pedestrian and bike improvements.

We are excited to partner with TxDOT to improve this important section for the Bay Area Hike and Bike trail. The enhancements to this section will not only improve connectivity, but greatly enhance safety across the NASA 1 Bridge over Armand Bayou.

Sincerely,

Jack Morman
Commissioner



BIKEHOUSTON®

TRANSFORMING OUR CITY BY CREATING SAFE BIKEWAYS TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF ALL HOUSTONIANS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

October 31, 2018

Dan Piette, *Chair*

Neil Bremner

Diana Dean

Nisha Desai

Ryan Ezenachi Hall

Steve Hendrickson

Sis Johnson

Charles Jones

Alec Lawton

Marissa Marquez

Falon Mihalic

Judy Tuttle-Wurth

Matthew Tulu Whiteside

Bob Wright

STAFF

Clark Martinson
Executive Director

Jessica Wiggins
Advocacy Director

Inge Ford
Education Director

Douglas Waldrep
Development Director

Bowen Roberts
Volunteer Coordinator

Beth White

President & CEO

Houston Parks Board

300 North Post Oak Blvd.

Houston, TX 77024

RE: Houston Parks Board / Houston Parks and Recreation Department submissions for H-GAC Call for Projects 2018

Dear Ms. White,

I am pleased to send this letter in support of Houston Parks Board's application for H-GAC's 2018 TIP Call for Projects. As the Executive Director of Bike Houston, I support uniting the city by developing a network of off-road shared use paths and on-street high comfort bikeways where residents can bike safely that compliments the Houston Bike Plan. The projects identified below provide a vision for future linkages that connect five separate Bayou Greenways. I support these proposed projects:

- ***Beyond the Bayous Regional Connector Network of Greenways*** - offers a vision to broaden the reach of Bayou Greenways 2020 and implement many Houston BikePlan Priority Projects.
- ***West Side/Westpark Connector Greenway Project*** - will provide safe bicycle/pedestrian access from Gulfton, the densest neighborhood in Houston, to two transit centers, seven high frequency bus routes, and Brays Bayou Greenway.
- ***Port Connector Greenway Project*** - links the Port of Houston Turning Basin to Buffalo, Brays and Sims Bayou Greenways, and ultimately to Hobby Airport.
- ***Little White Oak Bayou Regional Greenway Project*** - will extend from Halls Bayou at Acres Home through several largely low income and minority neighborhoods to White Oak Bayou Greenway near downtown.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me directly at 713-824-6808.

Sincerely,

Clark Martinson, AICP, Assoc. AIA
Executive Director
BikeHouston