

RESOLUTION NO. R2018-170

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Pearland, Texas, authorizing the City Manager or his designee to submit five (5) project applications to the Houston-Galveston Area Council for inclusion in the 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Plan, and allocating matching funds for the construction of each project.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS:

Section 1. That the City Manager or his designee is hereby authorized to submit five (5) project applications, described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto, to the Houston-Galveston Area Council for inclusion in the 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Plan.

Section 2. That the City's proposed share of the local match for each project is described in Exhibit "A".

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this the 8th day of October, A.D., 2018.



TOM REID
MAYOR

ATTEST:


YOUNG LORING, TRMC
CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


DARRIN M. COKER
CITY ATTORNEY



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October 19, 2018

Mr. Alan Clark
Manager of Transportation Planning
Houston-Galveston Area Council
PO Box 22777
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RE: 2018 TIP Call for Projects – City of Pearland

Dear Mr. Clark,

The Bay Area Houston Transportation Partnership (BayTran) would like to express our support for the City of Pearland's submittal to the 2018 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) call for projects for multiple projects in the City, including:

- **Bailey Road Expansion from Veterans Drive to SH35**
- **Max Road Extension from Hughes Ranch Road to McHard Road**
- **Harkey Road Expansion from FM518 to Bailey Road**
- **Kingsley Drive Expansion from Clear Creek to BW8**
- **Trail Connection from Green Tee Trail to Independence Park**

The City of Pearland remains one of the fastest growing cities in the nation, and these five projects are critical to residential and industrial mobility in the area. All projects in this submittal are vital in addressing traffic congestion, maintaining commerce, and improving safety.

BayTran is pleased to support these projects, and we thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Theresa Rodriguez
President



October 25, 2018

H-GAC Transportation Public Information
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Re: 2018 Transportation Improvement Program Call for Projects – City of Pearland Projects

On behalf of the Pearland Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors (PEDC), an organization dedicated to promoting the economic development of the City of Pearland, I am writing to express our organization's unanimous support for the five projects submitted by the City of Pearland to the 2018 TIP Call for Projects. These projects include four roadway projects (Bailey Road Expansion, Max Road Expansion, Harkey Road Expansion, and Kinglsey Drive Expansion) and one trail project (Green Tee Trail Connection to Independence Park).

PEDC believes that the five proposed projects will help alleviate traffic congestion in our region. Pearland sits between various economic engines of the Gulf Coast Region. This strategic location has led to explosive growth in Pearland during the last decade. Pearland is the fastest growing city in the Houston region. As of January 2018, the population of Pearland is estimated at 125,000, with an additional 24,800 residents in the ETJ. Pearland offers outstanding schools, safe neighborhoods, affordable housing, and superb quality of life. This has led to tremendous growth in Pearland with millions of square feet of retail, office and residential construction completed in the past 10 years.

Pearland's rapid growth has led to significant commercial growth in our community, which is currently ranked one of the 50 largest retail centers in the State of Texas. This continued growth has made Pearland a hub for new residents and businesses, which are now suffering from increased traffic congestion.

The existing Bailey Road expansion to a four-lane divided roadway was completed in 2018 between FM1128 and Veterans Drive. The proposed expansion project will continue the four-lane divided cross section from Veterans Drive east to State Highway 35. Completing this expansion, including widening the overpass at the BNSF railroad, will improve an alternate, shorter route for residents, school traffic, emergency vehicles and through traffic to Veterans Drive, CR 101, State Highway 35 and other areas south of Pearland.

Max Road is a two-lane open ditch roadway and is proposed to be extended and realigned from Hughes Ranch Road to the future extension of McHard Road. Improving the road to a four-lane divided cross section will provide added safety and will address traffic congestion by adding a north-south alternative route for residents and commuters using State Highway 35 to access both Beltway 8 and Interstate 610.

Harkey Road is also a two-lane open ditch roadway and is proposed to be expanded to a four-lane divided cross section from FM 518 to Bailey Road. Crash records have shown that the section of Harkey Road is



ranked the 4th highest in Pearland for the number of fatalities and injuries per 100 crashes. Upgrading the road will greatly increase vehicle and pedestrian safety in the area.

Kingsley Drive is located in both Brazoria and Harris Counties and provides a connection between FM 2234 and Beltway 8, and is an alternate north-south route to FM 521 and State Highway 288. Kingsley Drive was previously improved from a two-lane open ditch road to a four-lane divided cross section from FM 2234 to Clear Creek, but remains a two-lane open ditch road to Beltway 8. The roadway crosses a growing industrial area, including the Lower Kirby Pearland Management District, which has increased \$213M in value in the last five years. The roadway has also experienced significant growth, including heavy truck traffic, and the proposed widening is needed to improve safety and access.

The proposed Independence Trail segment will provide a connection from Clear Creek to one of the City's regional parks, Independence Park. Clear Creek currently has multiple existing trail segments and future segments are planned to connect a trail along the entire Pearland City limits, approximately 18 miles. Independence is currently undergoing a major renovation, in which the City is investing \$3.5M. The trail connection will provide regional access from various residential areas to the two facilities as well as to commercial and employment opportunities in between.

The Pearland Economic Development Corporation's Board of Directors believes that these proposed projects are essential to relieve traffic congestion and support the economic vibrancy of not only the City of Pearland, but our entire region. Failure to approve these projects would significantly add further to our area's traffic congestion and seriously inhibit the full economic potential of the region. We appreciate your consideration of these projects and your work on behalf of our region.

Sincerely,

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Matt Buchanan
President

RESOLUTION

IN SUPPORT OF THE CITY OF PEARLAND'S SUBMISSION TO HOUSTON-
GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BRAZORIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT:

That the Brazoria County Commissioners' Court hereby supports the City of Pearland's submission of the following four projects to the Houston-Galveston Area Council for inclusion in the 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Plan.

- Bailey Road Expansion from Veterans to SH 35
- Max Road Extension from Hughes Road to McHard Road
- Harkey Road Expansion from FM 518 to Bailey Road
- Independence Trail from Clear Creek Trail near FM 518 to Independence Park

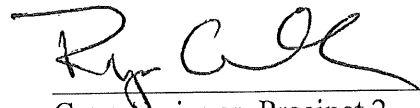
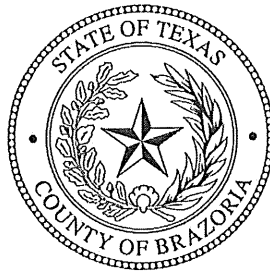
Approved this 9th day of October, 2018.



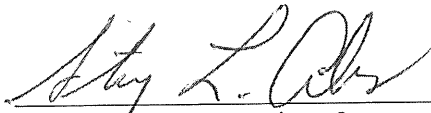
County Judge L.M. "Matt" Sebesta, Jr.



Commissioner, Precinct 1
Donald "Dude" Payne



Commissioner, Precinct 2
Ryan Cade



Commissioner, Precinct 3
Stacy L. Adams



Commissioner, Precinct 4
David Linder



**Representative Ed Thompson
District 29**

October 5, 2018

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SENT VIA EMAIL TO: tstodder@pearlandtx.gov

Re: Projects for the 2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) – House District 29 Project funding

To Whom It May Concern:

Thank you for the important work the Houston-Galveston Area Council is doing to promote adequate transportation infrastructure in our continually growing region of the state. I appreciate the opportunity to voice my support for the projects that are in House District 29 in northern Brazoria County.

While our community has benefitted from the significant growth in industrial, commercial, retail, and residential areas, the traffic congestion and safety concerns this growth has created must be addressed in a timely manner. These projects will improve congestion, increase safety, and promote economic development for our area.

Please accept this letter as full support for funding the following projects listed below in the 2018 TIP Call for Projects:

1. Bailey Road Expansion from Veterans Drive to SH 35
2. Max Road Extension from Hughes Ranch Road to McHard Road
3. Harkey Road Expansion from FM 518 to Bailey Road
4. Kingsley Drive Expansion from Clear Creek to Beltway 8
5. Trail Connection from Green Tee Trail to Independence Park

Mobility is of utmost importance to the businesses and families in District 29, and the projects above will ensure our infrastructure keeps pace with the tremendous growth in the region.

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Representative Ed Thompson
District 29

Thank you for your assistance in bringing state and federal tax dollars to our region. I appreciate your time and consideration. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (512) 463-0707 or by email at Ed.Thompson@house.texas.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ed Thompson", followed by a long horizontal flourish.

Ed Thompson
District 29



THE VOICE *of* BUSINESS

October 24, 2018

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

Re: 2018 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) Call for Projects

Dear Mr. Clark

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Pearland Chamber of Commerce, I am pleased to submit this letter of support to add five very important strategic projects to the 2018 TIP Call for Projects.

Presently, there are significant congestion and safety concerns on all five of the road projects listed below.

- Bailey Road Expansion from Veterans Drive to SH35
- Max Road Extension from Hughes Ranch Road to McHard Road
- Harkey Road Expansion from FM518 to Bailey Road
- Kingsley Drive Expansion from Clear Creek to BW8
- Trail Connection from Green Tee Trail to Independence Park

All of these projects, after completion, will provide a positive impact on the commercial and economic growth for business and industry while the enhanced mobility will provide additional safety for our residents.

Please accept this letter as the Pearland Chamber's full support of funding these projects for the City of Pearland and include them in the 2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Call for Projects.

Thank you for your consideration of these critical mobility projects.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Carol Artz-Bucek".

Carol Artz-Bucek, CCE, IOM
President/CEO

Electronic CC :

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