

Commissioner Adrian Garcia

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January 17, 2024

Mr. Craig Raborn
Director of Transportation
Houston-Galveston Area Council
3555 Timmons Lane
Houston, TX 77027

Re: Harris County's grant application for funding under the Houston-Galveston Area Council's 2023 Project Selection Process - Fairmont Parkway Reconstruction Project

Dear Mr. Raborn:

I am writing to provide support and commitment to Harris County's grant application to the Houston-Galveston Area Council's (H-GAC) 2023 Project Selection Process for the Fairmont Parkway Reconstruction Project located in Precinct 2.

The proposed project focuses on critical improvements to Fairmont Parkway, effectively transforming it into a six-lane boulevard. The project includes improvements to four bridges, Willow Spring Bayou Bridge, Spring Gully, Big Island Bridge, and re-striping of the UP-Railroad Overpass Bridge. The project also provides for the construction of new sidewalks, relocation and modification of traffic signals, new signage, pavement markings, and other access management improvements to improve safety and connectivity.

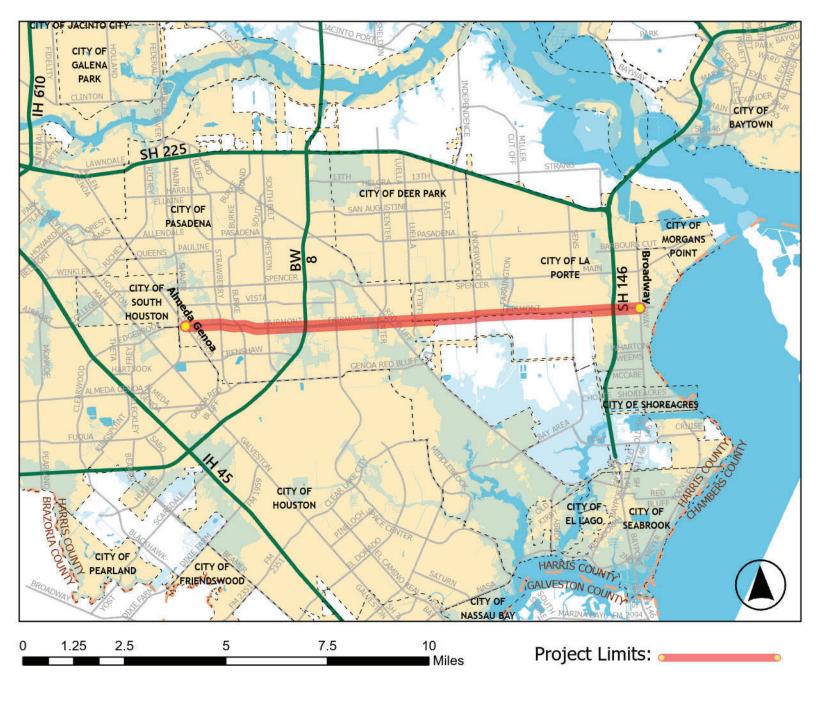
These comprehensive improvements aim to alleviate congestion, mitigate vehicle emissions, enhance safety, improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities, improve flood resilience, and reduce travel delays along the Fairmont Parkway corridor. This project promises significant and measurable benefits for all users of this vital corridor and aligns seamlessly with the vibrant growth in the area.

Our grant application seeks \$48,000,000 in federal funding, complemented by an additional \$12,000,000 in matching funds provided by Harris County Precinct 2, amounting to a total project budget of \$60,000,000. The project's overarching goals revolve around improving safety, mobility, resiliency, economic competitiveness, equity in transportation, and strengthening community connectivity within Harris County.

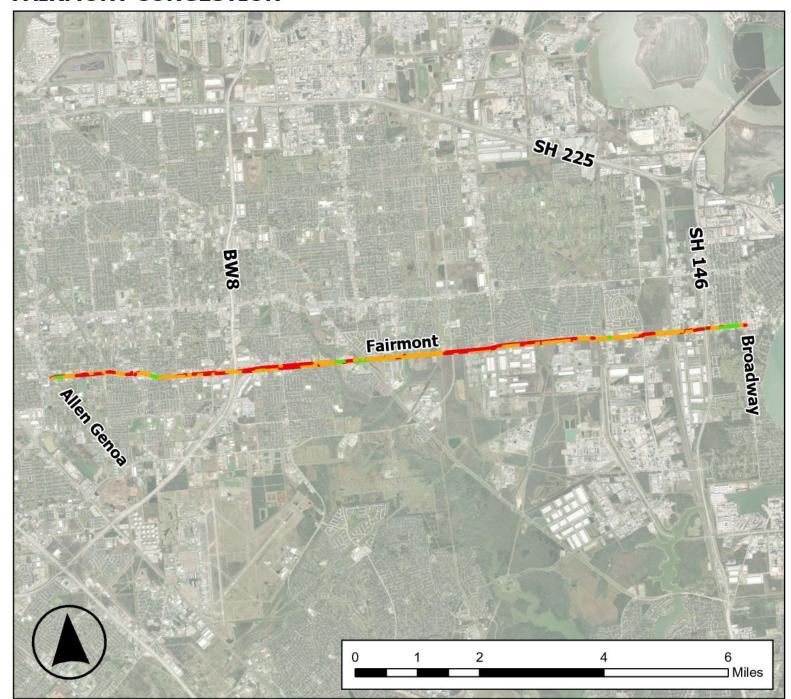
We extend our sincere appreciation for considering this grant application and hold hope for a favorable review. Should you require further clarification or have inquiries regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact Dr. Milton Rahman at (713) 274-3605 or Milton.rahman@eng.hctx.net.

Respectfully.

Commissioner Adrian Garcia Harris County Precinct 2



FAIRMONT CONGESTION



Source of Data: StreetLight Data

Methodology: Congestion Percentage for each segment was calculated using the Network Performance Analysis tool in the StreetLight Data Insight platform by finding the ratio between free flow speed and average speed during peak PM hours (3pm-7pm), Monday - Thursday. Source data year: 2023.

