

## 10. PROJECT SELECTION PROCESS: PROJECT LIST

### BACKGROUND

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At the March 2020 Transportation Policy Council (TPC) meeting, the Council approved goals, priorities, and policies for selection and prioritization of projects to be programmed in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), 10-Year Plan, and Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). These goals, priorities and policies guided H-GAC staff, the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC), and the TIP Subcommittee in development of project selection criteria and evaluation methodologies for project planning and programming.

At the January 2023 meeting, TPC authorized MPO staff to initiate the Project Selection Process for the regional goods movement category. The Project Selection Process for this category was completed in December 2023 with TPC's approval of nine projects to program approximately \$180 million.

In January 2024, staff initiated the Project Selection Process for the remaining five categories:

1. Major Projects
2. High Growth Area Needs
3. Operational Improvements and Congestion Management
4. Resiliency and State of Good Repair
5. Transit

Between January 2024 and January 2025 an extensive process to identify projects to be selected for funding award, and projects to be listed in the Regional Transportation Plan, was conducted. The steps followed in this process can be divided into two phases listed below.

#### Phase-I (Qualitative Analysis)

- Announcement
- Published evaluation criteria and criteria questionnaires online
- Sponsors submitted criteria questionnaire responses
- Staff completed criteria scoring and provided draft scores to sponsors
- Sponsors validated criteria scores

Projects that scored greater than 50 points were advanced to Phase-II of the selection process.

#### Phase-II (Quantitative Analysis)

- Sponsors submitted Benefit-Cost Analysis (BCA)
- Reviewed BCA and provided Benefit/Cost ratios to sponsors
- Sponsors validated B/C ratios
- Converted B/C ratios to 0-100 points scale BCA score
- Combined criteria score with BCA scores
- Ranked projects from high to low in each category
- Published ranked lists of projects for each category (completed in October 2024)
- Reviewed funding eligibility
- Applied funding instructions for each category
- Previewed staff recommendations with TAC and TPC

In both Phase-I and Phase-II, score validation was an important step involving staff meeting with project sponsors to review the scores and resolve discrepancies. The scores were published only after they were validated by the sponsors.

**CURRENT SITUATION**

At the February 2025 meeting, staff previewed recommendations for selecting projects for funding in the five categories listed. A summary of total funding recommended for projects in the five categories is provided in Table-1, below.

**Table-1**

Category	# of Projects	Federal Amount (\$M)	Recommended Projects Total Cost
Major Projects	3	\$308	\$385*
High Growth Area Needs	7	\$232	\$290
Operational Improvements & Congestion Management	5	\$157	\$197**
Resiliency & State of Good Repair	3	\$44	\$55
Transit	1	\$39	\$39
Active Transportation	0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>\$780</b>	<b>\$966</b>
Safety	0	\$0	\$0

*\*Last project in the list recommended for 50% of the total cost, category total is still above available funding shown in Table-2.*

*\*\*Recommended project costs total higher than available funding presented in Table 2. Because of the cost of the last recommended project.*

A draft list of recommended projects for funding in the five categories and the letters of support for those projects are attached to the background paper.

Category analysis of Programming (December 2023-January 2025)

At the January TPC meeting, TPC instructed the staff to provide alternative options for allocating funding recommended on transit category projects to better align with TPC guidance to allocate 7.5% of all funds awarded to transit projects. Some of the alternative options suggested to bring funding into alignment are as follows:

- Hold funding for future cost increases
- Allocate funding to projects in another category
- Select engineering phase projects that could be developed

Staff reviewed the programming of all transit projects and developed three scenarios for possible actions as presented below.

- Scenario 1: Keep current funding recommendations with the PSP recommended transit category project (Selecting Northline Transit Center project).
- Scenario 2: Keep the PSP recommended transit category project (Northline transit center) and remove federal funding from three COSD transit category projects that have not been approved by FHWA since February 2024.
- Scenario 3: Not selecting the PSP recommended transit category project (Northline transit center) and remove federal funding from three COSD transit category projects that have not been approved by FHWA since February 2024.

Analysis of the three scenarios is provided in Table-2 below.

**Table-2**

Scenario		Federal Funding	% of All Federal Funding (since 2023)
	<b>Federal Amount Since December 2023 (Includes RGM, COSD, TxDOT Out-of-Cycle, RGM and PSP recommendations)</b>	\$2,537,000,000	100.00%
	<b>Funding Instructions Transit - 7.5%</b>	\$190,275,000	7.50%
1	METRO Transit (with Northline Selected)	\$184,696,489	7.28%
	Non-METRO Transit	\$72,841,274	2.87%
	Total	\$257,537,763	10.15%
2	METRO Transit (Selecting Northline TC, removing \$70M from transit projects approved as part of COSD and swapping with funds approved for Vanpool projects in the TIP)	\$114,310,251	4.51%
	Non-METRO Transit	\$72,841,274	2.87%
		\$187,151,525	7.38%
3	METRO Transit (Not Selecting Northline and removing \$70M from transit projects approved as part of COSD and swapping with funds approved for Vanpool projects in the TIP)	\$74,850,922	3.00%*
	Non-METRO Transit	\$72,841,274	2.92%*
	Total	\$147,692,196	5.92%*
*Total programming amount adjusted for scenario 3.			

Based on the analysis,

- Scenario 1 results in 10.04% of federal funding to transit category projects
- Scenario 2 results in 7.56% of federal funding to transit category projects
- Scenario 3 results in 5.9% of federal funding to transit category projects

Staff is recommending Scenario 2, bringing the total programming percentage for transit during this period in alignment with percentage goals provided by TPC. A summary of total programming of projects by category using Scenario 2 of the transit programming is presented in Table-3, below.

**Table-3**

Category	Project Selection Process	TxDOT Houston District Out-of-Cycle/Priority	Carryover Spend Down	Total	Percentage
Major Projects	\$308	\$160	\$79	\$547	22%
High Growth Area Needs	\$232	\$381	\$91	\$704	28%
Regional Goods Movement	\$145	\$192	\$1	\$338	13%
Operational Improvements and Congestion Management	\$157	\$0	\$112	\$269	11%
Resiliency and State of Good Repair	\$44	\$0	\$205	\$249	10%
Transit	\$39	\$0	\$148	\$187	7.38%
Active Transportation*	\$60	\$0	\$183	\$243	10%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$985</b>	<b>\$733</b>	<b>\$819</b>	<b>\$2,537</b>	<b>100%</b>
Safety \$30M/Year*	-	-	\$9	\$9	
*Project Selection Process pending					

**ACTION REQUESTED**

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TAC recommendation for TPC approval of the projects recommended for funding provided in the attached Project Selection Process Draft List.

Projects Recommended by staff for funding based on scores and ranks.			TxDOT Houston district sponsored projects not recommended for funding due to priority programming per June 2024 TPC approval.		Projects recommended to be listed in the RTP.																		
Major Projects Category - Sorted Highest to Lowest Total Score																							
County	Sponsor	Project ID	Facility/Street	From	To	Description	Total Criteria Score (Max100)	BCR	BCA SCORE 1 (MAX 100)	TOTAL SCORE 1 (MAX 200)	RA NK 1	BCA SCORE 2 (MAX 100)	TOTAL SCORE 2 (MAX 200)	RA NK 2	BCA SCORE 3 (Max 100)	Total Score 3 (Max 200)	Draft Rank	Revised Rank	Let Year	Total Estimated Cost in Let Year	Federal	Local/State Match	Recommendation
MONTGOMERY	MONTGOMERY COUNTY	1307	IH 45	SH 99	WOODLANDS PARKWAY	CONSTRUCT BRAIDED RAMPS AT THE HARDY TOLL INTERCHANGE. MODIFY RAMPS BETWEEN SH 99 AND WOODLANDS PARKWAY. ADD AUXILIARY LANES	83	13.41	75	158	3	100	183	3	100	183	3	1	2032	\$219,523,950	\$175,619,160	\$43,904,790	Recommended for Funding Approval
MONTGOMERY	TXDOT HOUSTON DISTRICT	990	FM 1488	FM 2978	IH 45 N	WIDEN FROM 4 TO 6 LANES	62	25.76	100	162	2	100	162	8	100	162	4	2	2029	\$86,494,669			Recommended for listing in the RTP
HARRIS	TXDOT HOUSTON DISTRICT	1090	IH 610 S	IH 45 S	SH 35 (SS 5/MYKAWA)	RECONSTRUCT AND WIDEN FROM 8 TO 12 LANE (ADD 4 MANAGED LANES)	83	8.43	45	128	7	100	183	4	75	158	6	3	2030	\$99,494,126			Recommended for listing in the RTP
MONTGOMERY	TXDOT HOUSTON DISTRICT	985	FM 1488	BUSINESS FM 1488	SH 249	CONSTRUCT 4-LANE ON NEW LOCATION ROADWAY (MAGNOLIA RELIEF ROUTE)	53	12.62	70	123	8	100	153	19	100	153	7	4	2033	\$90,620,510	\$72,496,408	\$18,124,102	Recommended for Funding Approval
MONTGOMERY	TXDOT HOUSTON DISTRICT	981	FM 1314	SH 105	SH 242	WIDEN FROM A 2-LANE TO A 4-LANE DIVIDED ROADWAY	60	9.97	55	115	10	100	160	12	75	135	14	5	2030	\$91,186,875			Recommended for listing in the RTP
HARRIS	TXDOT HOUSTON DISTRICT	1104	SH 225	IH 610	RED BLUFF RD	RECONSTRUCT AND WIDEN FROM 6 TO 12 LANE (ADD 2 GENERAL PURPOSE LANES AND 4 MANAGED LANES), INCLUDING SH 225/IH 610 INTERCHANGE - SAFETY, OPERATIONAL AND MOBILITY IMPROVEMENTS TO SH 225 MAINLANES AND FRONTAGE ROADS, BASED ON RESULTS OF THE SH 225 PEL/IH 610 EAST PEL STUDY	84	5.42	27	111	12	75	159	13	50	134	15	6	2034	\$280,325,000			Recommended for listing in the RTP
HARRIS	TXDOT HOUSTON DISTRICT	1105	SH 225	RED BLUFF RD	SL 8	RECONSTRUCT AND WIDEN FROM 6 TO 12 LANE (ADD 2 GENERAL PURPOSE LANES AND 4 MANAGED LANES) - SAFETY, OPERATIONAL AND MOBILITY IMPROVEMENTS TO SH 225 MAINLANES AND FRONTAGE ROADS, BASED ON RESULTS OF THE SH 225 PEL/IH 610 EAST PEL STUDY	84	3.83	18	102	17	75	159	14	50	134	16	7	2034	\$116,615,200			Recommended for listing in the RTP
HARRIS	TXDOT HOUSTON DISTRICT	1047	HEMPSTEAD ROAD	W OF MANGUM/18TH ST.	S OF OLD KATY RD ON IH 610 W	CONSTRUCT INTERCHANGE WITH MANAGED LANES AND 2 DIRECT CONNECTORS (EB - SB, WB - NB)	79	3.66	17	96	21	75	154	18	50	129	20	8	2032	\$117,606,208			Recommended for listing in the RTP
WALLER	TXDOT HOUSTON DISTRICT	1174	US 290	SH 6	HARRIS C/L	RECONSTRUCT AND WIDEN FROM 4 TO 6 LANES. THIS PROJECT WILL WIDEN THE EXISTING HIGHWAY TO THE MIDDLE ADDING A THIRD LANE IN EACH DIRECTION.	70	3.39	15	85	30	75	145	24	50	120	24	9	2029	\$89,704,000			Recommended for listing in the RTP
CHAMBERS	TXDOT BEAUMONT DISTRICT	970	SH 146	IH 10	CEDAR BAYOU	WIDEN FROM 4 TO 6 LANES	94	1.52	4	98	20	50	144	25	25	119	25	10	2034	\$75,000,000	\$60,000,000	\$15,000,000	Recommended for Funding Approval

Projects Recommended by staff for funding based on scores and ranks.		TxDOT Houston district sponsored projects not recommended for funding due to priority programming per June 2024 TPC approval.					Projects recommended to be listed in the RTP.						
High Growth Area Needs Category - Sorted Highest to Lowest Total Score													
County	Sponsor	Project ID	Facility/Street	From	To	Description	Total Score 3 (Max 200)	Revised Rank	LET Year	Estimated Cost In Let Year	Federal	Local/State Match	Recommendation
BRAZORIA	BRAZORIA COUNTY	625	PEARLAND PARKWAY	DIXIE FARM	FM 2351	FROM DIXIE FARM TO FM 2351	161	1	2034	\$56,036,128	\$44,828,902	\$11,207,226	Recommended for Funding Approval
GALVESTON	TXDOT HOUSTON DISTRICT	1003	FM 270	FM 518	FM 646	RECONSTRUCT AND WIDEN FROM 2-LANE TO 4-LANE ROADWAY AND IMPLEMENT ACCESS MANAGEMENT TREATMENTS INCLUDING RAISED MEDIAN AND BIKE/PED FACILITIES.	150	2		\$31,424,400			Recommended for listing in the RTP
Fort Bend	Fort Bend County	781, 782	SH 99	NB Westheimer Pkwy to Cinco Ranch BLVD	NB Cinco Ranch Blvd to Bay Hill	Construction of a two lane concrete curb and gutter frontage road and SH 99 Ram reversal.	146	3	2030	\$31,055,020	\$24,844,016	\$6,211,004	Recommended for Funding Approval
FORT BEND	TXDOT HOUSTON DISTRICT	1004	FM 2759	FM 762	THOMPSON ROAD	RECONSTRUCT AND WIDEN FROM 2 TO 4 LANE CONCRETE CURB AND GUTTER ROAD.	145	4		\$38,158,443			Recommended for listing in the RTP
MULTIPLE	MONTGOMERY COUNTY	1309	SH 99 EASTBOUND FRONTAGE ROAD	RAYFORD	EAST OF BIRNAM WOODS	ADD FRONTAGE ROAD LANES (ONE-LANE TO TWO-LANE) AND ADD RIGHT TURN LANES	136	5	2030	\$4,105,707	\$3,284,566	\$821,141	Recommended for Funding Approval
BRAZORIA	TXDOT HOUSTON DISTRICT	1029	FM 528	BS 35 (N OF GORDON ST.)	SH 6	CONSTRUCT NEW LOCATION (ON EXISTING PORTIONS OF MIDTOWN PKWY AND BRAZOS ST), 2-LANE ROADWAY WITH RAILROAD GRADE SEPARATION. PHASE 2: WIDEN FROM 2 TO 4 LANES.	132	6		\$16,030,000			Recommended for listing in the RTP
MONTGOMER	TXDOT HOUSTON DISTRICT	1010	FM 3083	SH 105 W	IH 45	WIDEN FROM 2-LANE TO A 4-LANE DIVIDED ROADWAY.	130	7		\$31,050,438			Recommended for listing in the RTP
BRAZORIA	BRAZORIA COUNTY	626	CR 100	CR 113	SH 35	CONSTRUCT 2-LANE ROADWAY AND 2-LANE GRADE SEPARATION CROSSING AT EXISTING RAILROAD.	130	8	2034	\$25,514,049	\$20,411,240	\$5,102,810	Recommended for Funding Approval
HARRIS	HARRIS COUNTY ENGINEERING	1323	BARKER CYPRESS ROAD	QUEENSTON BLVD	NORTH OF US 290	WIDEN BARKER CYPRESS ROAD FROM FOUR TO A SIX-LANE CONCRETE URBAN SECTION WITH SIDEWALKS, CURB-AND-GUTTER. RECONSTRUCTION OF THE BRIDGE OVER THE RAILROAD AND INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS ALONG BARKER CYPRESS ROAD AT QUEENSTON BOULEVARD, US 290 EASTBOUND AND WESTBOUND FRONTAGE ROADS.	127	9	2032	\$88,814,657	\$71,051,726	\$17,762,931	Recommended for Funding Approval
GALVESTON	TXDOT HOUSTON DISTRICT	1019	FM 517	FM 3436	SH 146	WIDEN TO 4-LANE DIVIDED W/ CURB & GUTTER	125	10		\$20,184,815			Recommended for listing in the RTP
MONTGOMER	CITY OF CONROE	659	FOSTER DRIVE	S FRAZIER ST.	N. PORTER RD.	WIDEN EXISTING TWO-LANE ROAD (NO SIDEWALKS) TO FOUR LANE WITH SIDEWALKS. SCOPE INCLUDES STORMWATER, WATER, AND WASTEWATER.	123	11	2031	\$37,294,869	\$29,835,895	\$7,458,974	Recommended for Funding Approval
CHAMBERS	CITY OF MONT BELVIEU	733	EAGLE DR.	FM 565	SH 146	RECONSTRUCTION OF 2-LANE OPEN DITCH TO 4-LANE BLVD WITH CURB AND GUTTER WITH SIDEWALKS AND BIKEWAY.	122	12	2030	\$47,297,746	\$37,838,197	\$9,459,549	Recommended for Funding Approval

**OPERATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS AND CONGESTION MANGEMENT - CATEGORY**

DRAFT LIST OF PROJECT SELECTION PROCESS RECOMMENDATIONS

Projects Recommended by staff for funding based on scores and ranks.		TxDOT Houston district sponsored projects not recommended for funding due to priority programming per June 2024 TPC approval.		Projects recommended to be listed in th RTP.									
Operational Improvements and Congestion Management - Sorted Highest to Lowest Total Score 3													
County	Sponsor	Project ID	Facility/Street	From	To	Description	Total score 3 (Max 200)	Revised Rank	Let Year	Estimated Cost In Let Year	Federal	Local/State Match	Recommendation
HARRIS	HARRIS COUNTY ENGINEERING	1325	HARRIS COUNTY PRECINCT 1	VA	VA	REPLACEMENT OF 19 TRAFFIC SIGNAL INTERSECTIONS OPERATED BY HARRIS COUNTY ENGINEERING ON 8 CORRIDORS.	175	1	2028	\$15,626,690	\$12,501,352	\$3,125,338	Recommended for Funding Approval
HARRIS	METRO	862	VA	MILAM AT 527	SH 6	OPTIMIZE BUS OPERATIONS USING A TOOLBOX OF IMPROVEMENTS - TRAFFIC SIGN AL PRIORITIZATION, REAL-TIME TRAVEL INFORMATION, SHELTERS, LEVEL BOARDING, ETC.	175	2	2029	\$38,807,544	\$31,046,035	\$7,761,509	Recommended for Funding Approval
CHAMBERS	CITY OF MONT BELVIEU	735	TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT CENTER	CITY OF MONT BELVIEU	-	CONSTRUCTION OF A TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT CENTER FOR THE CITY OF MONT BELVIEU	174	3	2027	\$3,503,960	\$2,803,168	\$700,792	Recommended for Funding Approval
BRAZORIA	TXDOT HOUSTON DISTRICT	1021	FM 518 (MAIN ST)	MAGNOLIA	IOWA AVE.	LANDSCAPING AND STREETSAPING ENHANCEMENTS ALONG MAIN ST INCLUDING PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS, OFF STREET PARKING LOCATIONS, TRANSFERRING OVERHEAD UTILITIES TO UNDERGROUND, AND A VISIBLE ENTRANCE WAY INTO THE DOWNTOWN (SIGN TO BE LOCATED ALONG FM 518 NEAR MAGNOLIA AVE INTERSECTION).	157	4		\$641,300			Recommended for listing in the RTP
HARRIS	TXDOT HOUSTON DISTRICT	1130	SH 6	WESTHEIMER (FM 1093)	IH 10 W	THIS PROJECT PROPOSES SAFETY AND OPERATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS.	154	5		\$16,598,151			Recommended for listing in the RTP
HARRIS	HARRIS COUNTY ENGINEERING	843	FAIRMONT PARKWAY	ALLEN GENOA	BROADWAY ST.	PROJECT INCLUDES A SAFETY STUDY DESIGN, AND IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDED ACCESS MANAGEMENT AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS.	124	6	2031	\$85,398,709	\$68,318,967	\$17,079,742	Recommended for Funding Approval
FORT BEND	FORT BEND COUNTY, BRAZORIA COUNTY	1328, 1330	E DALLAS STREET/COUNTY RD 59	FM 521	CR 49	WIDENING OF EXISTING 2-LANE UNDIVIDED ASPHALT ROADWAY TO 4-LANE DIVIDED CONCRETE BLVD. WITH ROADSIDE DITCHES AND STORM SEWER.	119	7	2033	\$53,274,526	\$42,619,621	\$10,654,905	Recommended for Funding Approval

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Resiliency and State of Good Repair Category - Sorted Highest to Lowest Total Score 3													
County	Sponsor	Project ID	Facility/Street	From	To	Description	Total Score 3 (Max 200)	Revised Rank	LET Year	Estimated Cost In Let Year	Federal	Local/State Match	Recommendation
HARRIS	CITY OF HOUSTON	1200	WESTHEIMER RD.	MONTROSE BLVD.	MAIN ST.	RECONSTRUCTION OF WESTHEIMER FROM 4 TO 3 LANES (ROAD DIET) AND ALL INTERSECTIONS. THE PROPOSED 3-LANE CROSS SECTION WILL ACCOMMODATE SAFE AND EFFICIENT TRAFFIC OPERATIONS, SUPPORT METRO BOOST TRANSIT IMPROVEMENTS, AND PRIORITIZE SPACE FOR WIDE SIDEWALK AREAS AND PEDESTRIAN AMENITIES. SAFE CROSSINGS FOR PEOPLE WALKING, BIKING, AND TAKING TRANSIT WILL BE PROVIDED AT REGULAR INTERVALS ALONG THE CORRIDOR.	160	1	2033	\$34,543,583	\$27,634,867	\$6,908,717	Recommended for Funding Approval
GALVESTON	CITY OF GALVESTON	690	SEAWALL BLVD	AT 33 <sup>RD</sup> ST.	-	CONSTRUCT A NEW TRAFFIC SIGNAL	150	2	2027	\$613,193	\$490,554	\$122,639	Recommended for Funding Approval
HARRIS	CITY OF HOUSTON	1289	BROADWAY ST	IH 45	SH 225	TOTAL ROADWAY RECONSTRUCTION TO INCLUDE SHARED USE PATHS, INTERSECTION & ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENTS, RAILROAD SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS, UPGRADED HAWK SIGNALS FOR SAFER SCHOOL CROSSINGS, DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS, TRAFFIC SIGNAL & STREET LIGHTING UPGRADES, ACCESS MANAGEMENT & ROADWAY RECONFIGURATION WITH WIDER MEDIAN TO ACCOMMODATE FUTURE METRO LRT.	131	3	2033	\$64,863,056			Recommended for listing in the RTP
BRAZORIA	BRAZORIA COUNTY	1330	COUNTY ROAD 59	FORT BEND C/L	CR 48	WIDENING EXISTING 2-LANE ASPHALT ROADWAY TO A 4-LANE CONCRETE BLVD. WITH ROADSIDE DITCHES, STORM SEWER AND A DETENTION POND.	127	4		\$27,371,381			Recommended for listing in the RTP
HARRIS	HARRIS COUNTY ENGINEERING	1322	SHELDON ROAD (SOUTH)	WALLISVILLE RD	JACINTOPOORT BLVD.	RECONSTRUCT AND WIDEN, RECONSTRUCTING AND WIDENING THE EXISTING TWO-LANE ROAD WITH A CONCRETE OVERLAY AND ASPHALT SURFACE TO CREATE A FOUR-LANE ROADWAY MADE OF REINFORCED 12-INCH CONCRETE. THE PROJECT ENCOMPASSES A BRIDGE SECTION, TWO MAJOR THOROUGHFARE INTERSECTIONS, MULTIPLE ENTRANCES FOR INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL BUSINESSES, DRAINAGE ENHANCEMENTS, SIDEWALK INSTALLATION, AND LANDSCAPING. THESE IMPROVEMENTS WILL ALLEVIATE CONGESTION, ENHANCE SAFETY IN THE AREA, IMPROVE PEDESTRIAN ACCESSIBILITY, ADDRESS DRAINAGE ISSUES, AND OPTIMIZE THE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM'S RESILIENCE DURING SEVERE WEATHER EVENTS.	125	5		\$78,955,907			Recommended for listing in the RTP
FORT BEND	CITY OF SUGAR LAND	759	WILLIAMS TRACE BLVD	LEXINGTON	SH 6	RECONSTRUCT 4 LANE DIVIDED ROADWAY INCLUDING CURB AND GUTTER, LEFT TURN LANES, INLETS AND MANHOLES; CONSTRUCT A TRIPLE LEFT FROM SB QUARRY HILL TO SB SH6	118	6		\$20,391,679	\$16,313,343	\$4,078,336	Recommended for Funding Approval



**TRANSIT - CATEGORY**

Project Recommended by staff for funding based on scores and ranks.	Projects funded out of cycle during carry over spenddown approval.
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**Transit Category - Sorted Highest to Lowest Total Score**

Sponsor	Project ID	CSJ	Title	Facility/Street	Limits	Description	Total Score	Rank	Let Year	Estimated Cost in Let Year	Federal	Local/State Match	Recommendation
METRO	873		Northline TC	Fulton St.	At Julia St.	Construct new multi-level TC on new location to replace existing Northline TC	152	1	2029	\$39,459,329	\$39,459,329	7,891,866 TDCs	Recommended for Funding Approval
Fort Bend County Public Transportation	809			Thomas Taylor Parkway & Texas Parkway Missouri City, TX		Construct structured TOD parking garage of 400 spaces in downtown Missouri City with bus and passenger accommodations for a permanent park and ride including dedicated bus bays with passenger platforms, passenger waiting shelters and transit information systems.		-	2026				Previously funded

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Date: Wednesday, February 12, 2025

Houston-Galveston Area Council  
Attn: Vishu Lingala  
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Houston, TX 77227-2777

**RE: Letters of Support for Project Selection Process for the Brazoria County 2025 TIP Projects Submission.**

Dear Mr. Lingala,

On February 11, 2025, Brazoria County Commissioners' Court approved through Court Order No. H.25 the County's sponsored projects listed below that are submitted for consideration in the Project Selection Process and recommended for funding by HGAC staff

- Pearland Parkway extension from Dixie Farm to FM 2351 (PSP ID-625).
- County Road 100 from County Road 113 to SH 35 (PSP ID-626).
- County Road 59 widening from Brazoria County Line to County Road 48 (PSP ID 1330).

The aforementioned projects will provide numerous benefits to our community, including but not limited to; enhanced safety, improved connectivity and quality of life, and long-term cost savings.

Brazoria County understands that all the projects selected will have a funding participation ratio of 80% Federal and 20% Local Government. The approval of the referenced Court Order serves as Brazoria County commitment to 20% Local Government Funding for all three projects listed above and to the betterment of our community.

We urge H-GAC Transportation Policy Council to approve the funding request for these important projects.

Sincerely,

Brazoria County Judge.



## COMMISSIONERS COURT OF BRAZORIA COUNTY

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**ORDER NO. H.25.**

**2/11/2025**

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Letter of Support for Selection Process for the Brazoria County 2025 TIP Projects Submission

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Approve the submission of the following projects to the Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) for funding in the 2025 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP):

- Pearland Parkway extension from Dixie Farm to FM 2351 (PSP ID-625)
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The aforementioned projects will provide numerous benefits to our community, including but not limited to; enhanced safety, improved connectivity and quality of life, and long-term cost savings.

All the projects selected will have a funding participation ratio of 80% Federal and 20% Local Government. Matching funds will be available in future County Engineering Budgets.

Further, that the County Judge or his designee is authorized to sign the application and any related documents for this submission and that a certified copy of this order be furnished to the County Engineer for distribution to all parties involved.



Engineering

# CITY OF CONROE

Est. 1904

February 12, 2025

Justin Beckendorff  
Transportation Policy Council Chair  
Houston-Galveston Area Council  
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Houston, TX 77027

**Re: Foster Drive Widening Project**

Dear Chairman, Beckendorff:

On behalf of the City of Conroe, I am pleased to express our strong support for the Foster Drive Widening Project. This initiative will enhance public safety, alleviate traffic congestion, and improve accessibility to key City facilities, including Anson W. Runyan Elementary School, Conroe Fire Station No. 3, and the New Oscar Johnson Jr. Community Center.

Thank you for your consideration of this project and our request for H-GAC funding participation.

Sincerely,

Duke W. Coon  
Mayor

CC: Project File



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Houston-Galveston Area Council  
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Houston, TX 77227

**VIA E-MAIL**

**Re: Transportation Improvement Program Project Selection Process support letter**

Dear Mr. Lingala,

In reference to H-GAC recommended projects included in the TIP Project Selection Process, the City of Houston is pleased to support projects listed below that are within the city's jurisdictional boundaries.

- City sponsored project: Westheimer Road at Montrose Blvd. to Main Street.
- Regional partner projects:
  - Fort Bend County: SH 99 NB Westheimer Pkwy to Cinco Ranch Blvd., NB Cinco Ranch Blvd to Bay Hill.
  - Harris County Engineering: Barker Cypress Road at Queenston Blvd. North of 290.
  - Harris County Engineering: Fairmont Parkway from Allen Genoa to Broadway Street.
  - METRO: Various locations from Milam at 527 to SH 6.
  - METRO: Northline TC from Fulton Street to Julia Street.

We appreciate the time and diligence undertaken by H-GAC staff to facilitate, curate, and support the selection of much needed projects in this region. If there is anything additional that is needed from the City of Houston, please do not hesitate to ask.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Whitmire".

John Whitmire  
Mayor  
City of Houston



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February 3, 2025  
Transportation Policy Council  
Houston Galveston Area Council  
3555 Timmons Ln.  
Houston, TX 77027  
Subject: Letter of Support for Project ID: 733

Chairman Justin Beckendorff and members of the Transportation Policy Council,

As the City of Mont Belvieu Mayor and project sponsor, I write you today in support of the City of Mont Belvieu's above referenced application, recommended for funding approval through the Transportation Improvement Program, under the High Growth Area Needs category. The proposed project would convert an existing rural highway to an urban roadway, increasing capacity for population growth, safety, accessibility and providing multimodal transportation in and out of town.

The need for this project is paramount. Mont Belvieu serves as the economic engine of Chambers County – one of the fastest-growing counties in the nation. As the easternmost full-service city within HGAC's boundaries, Mont Belvieu plays a critical role in regional mobility and economic expansion. Investing in this infrastructure improvement will have a far-reaching positive impact on the entire region.

The City of Mont Belvieu remains steadfast in its commitment to providing safe and resilient infrastructure that meets the demands of the growing population. Through fiscal responsibility, careful planning, development and execution, a forward-thinking team of councilmembers and skilled staff work to implement infrastructure solutions that support sustainable growth and regional connectivity.

I respectfully urge the Houston Galveston Area Council to fully and fairly approve funding for this essential project. Thank you for your time and consideration. Please do not hesitate to contact should you require any additional information regarding this application.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joey McWilliams".

Joey McWilliams  
Mayor, City of Mont Belvieu



# TEXAS HOUSE *of* REPRESENTATIVES

*Terri Leo Wilson*  
House District 23  
Galveston and Chambers Counties

JUVENILE JUSTICE & FAMILY ISSUES • PENSIONS, INVESTMENTS & FINANCIAL SERVICES

February 5, 2025

Houston-Galveston Area Council  
Transportation Advisory Committee & Transportation Policy Council  
3555 Timmons Lane, Suite 120  
Houston, TX 77027

**RE: Support for Mont Belvieu's Transportation Projects (#733 & #735)**

Dear Members of the Transportation Advisory Committee and Transportation Policy Council,

I am writing to express my strong support for the City of Mont Belvieu's transportation projects, **Project #733 and Project #735**, currently under consideration for funding through the Houston-Galveston Area Council's Transportation Improvement Program. These projects are critical to ensuring the continued growth, safety, and infrastructure stability of Mont Belvieu and western Chambers County.

**Project #733** seeks to expand **SH 146 from Eagle Drive to FM 565**, increasing capacity from two lanes to four while incorporating a bike and multiuse trail. This \$47 million investment, with a **\$37 million federal grant request** and **\$10 million local/state match**, is vital for alleviating congestion, improving mobility, and enhancing safety for both motorists and cyclists in this rapidly growing region.

**Project #735** aims to establish a **Regional Traffic Management Center** in Mont Belvieu, a much-needed step to modernize and optimize traffic flow, emergency response coordination, and real-time data management. The **\$3.5 million project**, with a **\$2.8 million federal grant request** and **\$700,000 local/state match**, will serve as a crucial asset in enhancing regional traffic operations and overall public safety.

With HGAC's Transportation Advisory Committee set to vote on **February 19th** and the Transportation Policy Council on **February 28th**, I respectfully urge your support for these essential infrastructure projects. Their inclusion in the **HGAC Transportation Improvement Program** will provide much-needed relief to one of the fastest-growing areas in Texas, ensuring long-term connectivity, safety, and efficiency.

I appreciate your consideration and your commitment to the continued improvement of our regional transportation network. Please do not hesitate to reach out if I can be of further assistance.

For God & Texas,

Terri Leo Wilson  
State Representative  
House District 23



# CITY OF SUGAR LAND

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
JOE R. ZIMMERMAN

February 11, 2025

Houston-Galveston Area Council  
Attn: Allie Isbell, Assistant Director of Transportation  
P.O. Box 22777  
Houston, Texas 77227-2777

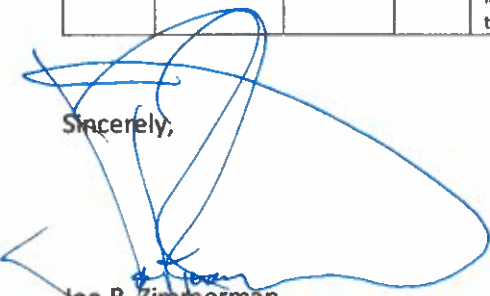
Dear Ms. Isbell:

This letter is in support of the City of Sugar Land's projects submitted for funding consideration through the Houston-Galveston Area Council's (H-GAC) 2024 Project Selection Process.

Specifically, we request H-GAC's full support for implementation funding of the project below, which has been recommended for funding by H-GAC staff. This project is critical to current and future mobility needs and demands.

Project ID	Facility	From	To	Description	Rank	Total Estimated Cost	Federal	Local Match
759	Williams Trace Blvd.	Lexington	SH6	Reconstruct 4 lane divided roadway including curb and gutter, left turn lanes, inlets and manholes, construct a triple left from SB Quarry Hill to SB SH6	6	\$20,391,679	\$16,313,343	\$4,078,336

Sincerely,



Joe R. Zimmerman  
Mayor  
City of Sugar Land  
2700 Town Center Blvd. N  
Sugar Land, TX 77479





## COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1

Fort Bend County, Texas

Vincent M. Morales, Jr.  
Commissioner

February 14, 2025

Houston-Galveston Area Council  
3555 Timmons Ln  
Houston, TX 77027

### **RE: Letter of Support for SH 99 Improvement Projects**

Dear Members of the Houston-Galveston Area Council,

I am writing on behalf of Fort Bend County Precinct 1 to express our strong support for the SH 99 Improvement Project of construction and ramp reversals between Westheimer Parkway and Cinco Ranch Blvd (PSP Id's 781 and 782). As Commissioner of Fort Bend County Precinct 1, I have witnessed firsthand the significant growth in the Cinco Ranch area and neighboring Precinct 4. This growth has led to increased traffic congestion and raised safety concerns along SH 99 which prompted the addition of frontage roads.

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has suggested ramp reversals at this time to help ease congestion, particularly in terms of stacking capacity on the frontage roads. Over the past ten years, our County has welcomed several thousand new residents placing unprecedented demands on our existing roadway infrastructure.

The proposed improvements are critical to enhancing the operational efficiency by reducing congestion, and ensuring the safety and well-being of our residents and motoring public. In addition to addressing traffic concerns, improving the SH 99 corridor is vital for sustaining economic growth in our region. By improving access and reducing travel times, we can better support local businesses and attract new investments, benefiting our community for many years to come.

We strongly urge the Houston-Galveston Area Council to prioritize funding and support for the SH 99 Improvement Projects. The safety and mobility of our residents depend on timely and effective action, and this project represents a vital step toward addressing the infrastructure challenges posed by our rapidly growing population.

Thank you for your attention to this important issue. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you require further information or assistance in advancing these vital projects.

Sincerely,

Vincent Morales, Jr.  
Commissioner, Precinct 1  
Fort Bend County



## COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2

Fort Bend County, Texas

**Grady Prestage**  
Commissioner

February 14, 2025

Allie Isbell and Jamila Owens  
Assistant Director - Transportation  
Houston-Galveston Area Council  
3555 Timmons Lane  
Houston, TX 77027

**RE: Letter of Support for East Dallas Street between FM 521 and  
Fort Bend County Line (PSP Ids 1328)**

Dear Ms. Isbell/Ms. Owens,

I am writing to express strong support for Fort Bend County's grant application under the Houston-Galveston Area Council's 2023 Project Selection Process for the East Dallas Street Project in Precinct 2.

This project will address congestion, enhance safety, improve pedestrian facilities, increase flood resilience, and reduce travel delays along the East Dallas Street corridor. These improvements will provide significant benefits to all users and support the region's continued growth.

The project aligns with key goals, including enhancing safety, mobility, resiliency, economic competitiveness, transportation equity, and community connectivity within Fort Bend and Brazoria Counties.

We appreciate your consideration of this application and hope for a positive outcome. If you need further information, please contact Stacy Slawinski at (281)633-7508 or [stacy.slawinski@fortbendcountytexas.gov](mailto:stacy.slawinski@fortbendcountytexas.gov).

Sincerely,

Commissioner Grady Prestage  
Fort Bend County Precinct 2



## Commissioner Adrian Garcia

Harris County Precinct 2

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

February 5, 2025

Ms. Allie Isbell  
Assistant 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 Ms. Isbell:

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 \$68,318,967 in federal funding, complemented by an additional \$17,079,742 in matching funds provided by Harris County Precinct 2, for a total project budget of \$85,398,709. The project's overarching goals revolve around improving safety, mobility, resiliency, economic competitiveness, equity in transportation, and 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@harriscountytexas.gov](mailto:Milton.Rahman@harriscountytexas.gov).

Respectfully,

Commissioner Adrian Garcia  
Harris County Precinct 2



February 10, 2025

Ms. Allie Isbell  
Assistant Director of Transportation  
Houston-Galveston Area Council  
3555 Timmons Lane  
Houston, TX 77027

Re: Harris County Application for funding under the Houston-Galveston Area Council's 2023 Project Selection Process

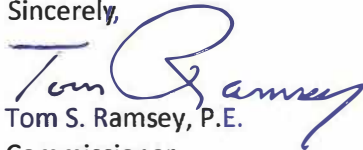
Dear Ms. Isbell:

On behalf of Harris County Precinct 3, I am writing to notify you of Harris County's grant application request under the High-Growth Area Needs Category of the Houston-Galveston Area Council's (H-GAC) 2023 Project Selection Process.

The proposed project on Barker Cypress Road, which is primarily in existing right-of-way, widens Barker Cypress Road from four to six lanes, converting it from a four-lane asphalt section with open ditch drainage to a six-lane concrete urban section with curb-and-gutter including added sidewalks. The project also includes reconstruction of the bridge over the railroad, and intersection improvements along Barker Cypress Road at Queenston Boulevard and US 290 eastbound and westbound frontage roads. The improvements will reduce congestion and the resulting vehicular emissions, increase safety in the area, improve pedestrian accommodations, improve drainage by modernizing the roadway with curbs and gutters, and decrease the travel delays that currently impact the Barker Cypress Corridor. This project will provide significant and measurable benefits to everyone who utilizes this corridor, and will help support the vibrant growth of the area.

The grant request includes \$71,051,726 in federal funds with \$17,762,931 in matching funds provided by Harris County Precinct 3, for a total project cost of \$88,814,657. This project focuses on improving safety, mobility, economic competitiveness, equity in transportation, and community connectivity. Thank you for your consideration of this grant application and we hope that it is reviewed favorably. If you should have any questions regarding this request, please contact Dr. Milton Rahman at (713) 274-3605 or [Milton.Rahman@harriscountytexas.gov](mailto:Milton.Rahman@harriscountytexas.gov).

Sincerely,



Tom S. Ramsey, P.E.

Commissioner  
Harris County Precinct 3



January 19, 2025

Ms. Allie Isbell  
Assistant 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 – Traffic Signal Intersection Improvement Project

Dear Ms. Isbell:

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 Traffic Signal Intersection Improvement Project located in Precinct 1.

The proposed project focuses on critical traffic signal and intersection improvements in Precinct 1 at 19 intersection locations. The project will improve signal operations, safety and connectivity, and will reduce traffic congestion and vehicular emissions. This project promises significant and measurable benefits for all users of these vital intersection locations and aligns seamlessly with the vibrant growth in the area.

Our grant application seeks \$12,501,352 in federal funding, complemented by an additional \$3,125,338 in matching funds provided by Harris County Precinct 1, amounting to a total project budget of \$15,626,690. The project's overarching goals revolve around the improvement of safety, mobility, resiliency, economic competitiveness, equity in transportation, and the strengthening of 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 any further clarification or have inquiries regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact Dr. Milton Rahman at (713) 274-3605 or [Milton.Rahman@harriscountytexas.gov](mailto:Milton.Rahman@harriscountytexas.gov).

Respectfully,

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Brandon Dudley  
Office of Commissioner Rodney Ellis



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**MARK J. KEOUGH**  
COUNTY JUDGE  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY

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**February 11, 2025**

Allie Isbell and Jamila Owens  
Assistant Director – Transportation  
Houston-Galveston Area Council  
3555 Timmons Ln.  
Houston, Texas 77027

Dear Ms. Isbell/Ms. Owens,

I am writing on behalf of Montgomery County Precinct 3 to express strong support for the IH 45 Braided Ramps project at Rayford/Sawdust and the Hardy Toll Road. As Montgomery County Judge, I have seen firsthand the rapid increase in traffic volumes along IH 45, which has led to significant congestion and heightened safety concerns in The Woodlands and surrounding areas.

The construction of these braided ramps is a critical solution to improve mobility across the greater Houston region. By eliminating unsafe weaving conditions, this project will reduce accidents and enhance traffic flow. Furthermore, improving the IH 45 corridor is vital for sustaining economic growth in our area. Enhanced access and reduced travel times will support local businesses and attract new investments, benefiting our community for years to come.

We strongly urge the Houston-Galveston Area Council to prioritize funding for this essential infrastructure project. With The Woodlands being home to some of the most congested roadways in Texas, timely action is necessary to address these challenges and ensure the safety and mobility of our residents.

Thank you for your attention to this pressing issue. Please feel free to reach out if additional information or assistance is needed to advance this important initiative.

Mark J. Keough  
Montgomery County Judge



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**February 11, 2025**

Allie Isbell and Jamila Owens  
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Houston-Galveston Area Council  
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Dear Ms. Isbell/Ms. Owens,

I am writing to express my unwavering support for Montgomery County Precinct 2's FM 1488 / Magnolia Relief Route project. As the Montgomery County Judge, I have observed the escalating traffic congestion and safety issues along FM 1488 and FM 1774, particularly in Magnolia.

The FM 1488 / Magnolia Relief Route aims to address these concerns by:

1. Alleviating congestion at the FM 1488 and FM 1774 intersection
2. Improving safety at the UPRR at-grade crossing in downtown Magnolia
3. Minimizing impacts on residents and businesses

This project, in development for nearly two decades, is crucial for Magnolia's future. The approximately \$145 million investment will create five miles of new four-lane roadways, extending west from FM 1488 and connecting to the Texas 249 tollway.

We urge the Houston-Galveston Area Council to prioritize funding for this vital infrastructure project. With Montgomery County's population growth rate continuing to rise exponentially, timely action is essential.

Thank you for your consideration. Please contact my office if you need any additional information to support this critical initiative.

Sincerely,

Mark J. Keough  
Montgomery County Judge



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**February 11, 2025**

Allie Isbell and Jamila Owens  
Assistant Director – Transportation  
Houston-Galveston Area Council  
3555 Timmons Ln.  
Houston, Texas 77027

Dear Ms. Isbell/Ms. Owens,

I am writing on behalf of Montgomery County Precinct 3 to express strong support for the SH 99 Improvement Project at Birnham Woods Drive. As Montgomery County Judge, I have witnessed the rapid growth in our community, which has led to significant traffic congestion and safety concerns along the SH 99 eastbound frontage road and at the intersections of Rayford Road and Birnham Woods Drive.

Over the past four years, several thousand new residents have moved into the area, placing immense pressure on our existing roadway infrastructure. The proposed improvements—such as widening the frontage road, adding dedicated turn lanes, and enhancing intersection operations—are critical to reducing congestion and improving safety for our residents. These upgrades will ensure that our infrastructure can meet the demands of continued population growth while enhancing traffic flow and reducing accident risks.

Additionally, improving the SH 99 corridor is essential to supporting economic growth in our region. By enhancing access and reducing travel times, this project will benefit local businesses and attract new investments, fostering long-term prosperity for our community.

We strongly urge the Houston-Galveston Area Council to prioritize funding for the SH 99 Improvement Project at Birnham Woods Drive. Timely action is vital to address these pressing infrastructure challenges and ensure the safety and mobility of our residents. Thank you for your consideration of this important project. Please feel free to contact me if additional information or assistance is needed to advance this initiative.

Mark J. Keough  
Montgomery County Judge





**RITCH WHEELER  
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 3  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY**

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Houston-Galveston Area Council  
Allie Isbell and Jamila Owens  
3555 Timmons Ln  
Houston, TX 77027

**Letter of Support for the IH 45 Braided Ramps at Rayford/Sawdust and Hardy Toll Road**

Dear Ms. Isbell / Ms. Owens,

I am writing on behalf of Montgomery County Precinct 3 to express our strong support for the IH 45 Braided Ramps at Rayford/Sawdust and the Hardy Toll Road. As Commissioner of Montgomery County Precinct 3, I have witnessed firsthand the significant increase in traffic volumes along IH 45, which has led to increased traffic congestion and heightened safety concerns IH 45 in The Woodlands.

The construction of the braided ramps project will improve mobility for the entire greater Houston region, and will reduce accidents by eliminating unsafe weaving conditions that exist today.

Furthermore, enhancing the IH 45 corridor is essential to sustaining economic growth in our region. By improving access and reducing travel times, we can support local businesses and attract new investments that will benefit our community for years to come.

We strongly urge the Houston-Galveston Area Council to prioritize funding and support for the IH 45 Braided Ramps project. The safety and mobility of our residents depend on timely and effective action, and this project represents a vital step toward addressing the infrastructure challenges posed by our rapidly growing population.

Thank you for your attention to this critical issue. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you require further information or assistance in advancing this important project.

Sincerely,

Ritch Wheeler  
Commissioner, Precinct 3  
Montgomery County



**CHARLIE RILEY**  
**Commissioner Precinct 2**  
**Montgomery County, Texas**

**19110 Unity Park Dr.**  
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February 7, 2025

Houston-Galveston Area Council  
Allie Isbell and Jamila Owens  
3555 Timmons Ln  
Houston, TX 77027

Subject: Letter of Support for the FM 1488 / Magnolia Relief Route

Dear Ms. Isbell / Ms. Owens,

I am writing on behalf of Montgomery County Precinct 2 to express our strong support for the FM 1488 / Magnolia Relief Route. As Commissioner of Montgomery County Precinct 2, I have witnessed firsthand the significant increase in traffic volumes along FM 1488 and FM 1774, which has led to increased traffic congestion and heightened safety concerns in the community of Magnolia.

The purpose of the FM 1488 / Magnolia Relief Route is to eliminate congestion and safety concerns at the intersection of FM 1488 and FM 1774. This intersection coincides with an at-grade crossing of the UPRR, further complicating the safety and congestion issues in downtown Magnolia. The FM 1488/Magnolia Relief Route has been in development for almost 20 years as a solution that will benefit the community of Magnolia, while minimizing impacts to residents and businesses in City.

We strongly urge the Houston-Galveston Area Council to prioritize funding and support for the FM 1488/Magnolia Relief Route project. The safety and mobility of our residents depend on timely and effective action, and this project represents a vital step toward addressing the infrastructure challenges posed by our rapidly growing population.

Thank you for your attention to this critical issue. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you require further information or assistance in advancing this important project.

Sincerely,

Charlie Riley  
Commissioner, Precinct 2  
Montgomery County



**RITCH WHEELER  
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 3  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY**

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Houston-Galveston Area Council  
Allie Isbell and Jamila Owens  
3555 Timmons Ln  
Houston, TX 77027

**Letter of Support for SH 99 Improvement Project at Birnamwoods Drive**

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Over the past four years, our area has welcomed several thousand new residents. This rapid population growth has placed unprecedented demands on our existing roadway infrastructure, which is currently inadequate to safely and efficiently accommodate the increased volume of traffic. The proposed improvements are critical to enhancing the operational efficiency of these intersections and reducing congestion, thereby ensuring the safety and well-being of our residents.

Furthermore, enhancing the SH 99 corridor is essential to sustaining economic growth in our region. By improving access and reducing travel times, we can support local businesses and attract new investments that will benefit our community for years to come.

We strongly urge the Houston-Galveston Area Council to prioritize funding and support for the SH 99 Improvement Project at Birnamwoods Drive. The safety and mobility of our residents depend on timely and effective action, and this project represents a vital step toward addressing the infrastructure challenges posed by our rapidly growing population.

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Ritch Wheeler  
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Montgomery County

## **Mission Statement**

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

## **Board of Directors**

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Thomas Jasien



February 13, 2025

Justin Beckendorf, Chair  
Transportation Policy Council  
C/O Houston-Galveston Area Council  
P.O. Box 22777  
Houston, Texas 77227-2777

Dear Chairman Beckendorf:

At the request of the Houston-Galveston Area Council staff to the Transportation Policy Council (TPC), I am pleased to provide this letter of support for funding awards to the 82 Westheimer BOOST and the Northline Transit Center. I also wish to urge the TPC to retain the current Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) funding for the METRO Inner Katy HOV Lanes connecting regional travelers from northwest and west Houston to the workplaces and events in central Houston.

METRO's partnership with the City of Houston on the 82 Westheimer project will serve all travelers in this corridor. It improves transit service reliability, strengthens the safety and security of awaiting passengers, and ensures full ADA compliance for all pedestrians and transit users while expanding the amenities at bus stops along the corridor. Working in close partnership with Houston Public Works, the two agencies will be rehabilitating the roadway and critical municipal infrastructure along the corridor improving travel for all.

Reconstruction of the Northline Transit Center will expand its operational capacity, increasing the number of parking spaces and improving bus-to-bus and bus-to-rail transfers. This investment is a critical element of providing safety and security for transit patrons and those who live or travel to destinations near this facility, such as the adjacent University of Houston Downtown campus.

METRO's Inner Katy project is a critical component that will provide enhanced access to transit and multi-occupant vehicles from the rapidly growing West and Northwest parts of the Houston region. TxDOT has begun work to raise Interstate 10 West at White Oak Bayou to address longstanding flood risks. It is critical that the current federal funding for Inner Katy remain in the TIP so that METRO's facility can be developed as part of the overall corridor improvements maintaining access to downtown Houston during this and other planned freeway reconstruction.

Thank you for your favorable consideration of this letter and commitment to improving regional mobility and safety for all travelers.

Sincerely,



Elizabeth Gonzalez Brock  
METRO Chair



# CITY OF HOUSTON

**John Whitmire**

Mayor

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Houston, Texas 77251-1562

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February 7, 2025

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Transportation Policy Council  
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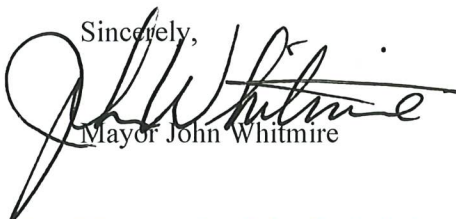
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Sincerely,



Mayor John Whitmire

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February 11, 2025

Allie Isbell & Jamila Owens  
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Houston-Galveston Area Council  
P.O. Box 22777  
Houston, Texas 77227-2777


RE: 2023 Houston- Galveston Area Council Transportation Project Selection Process

Dear Ms. Isbell/Ms. Owens:

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) - Beaumont District is pleased to support the SH 146 Widening project for funding as part of the Houston-Galveston Area Council's 2023 Transportation Project Selection Process Call for Projects. This correspondence serves as TxDOT's commitment to provide the required local match for federal funding through TxDOT and/or partnering with local agencies. We believe that we have identified appropriate development schedules for the submitted projects and commit to meet the project development timelines identified in the applications to the best of our ability. Furthermore, we believe our portfolio of projects will help the Houston-Galveston Transportation Management Area meet its stated goals of improving safety, managing and mitigating congestion, enhancing economic competitiveness, and ensuring strong asset management and operations, while simultaneously helping to conserve and protect natural and cultural resources.

We appreciate your consideration of funding for these important regional projects. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Nancy Peron at (409) 898-5816.

Sincerely,

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