October 29, 2018

Re: Support for TxDOT Heights Hike & Bike Trail Connection to WOB Greenway 2018 TIP Submission

Dear Alan,

As President of the White Oak Bayou Association I would like to lend my support to TxDOT' s pursuit of funds through the 2018 Houston-Galveston Area Council Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Rutland Detention Basin Hike and Bike Trail Project and Connector to White Oak Bayou. The proposed TxDOT project would:

- Provide a short and direct connection alternative between the Heights MKT trails and the White Oak Bayou Trail (which in turn connects to downtown Houston and other trails).
- Provide access to the retail centers along Yale and Heights Boulevard south of IHl0 by utilizing the 9-foot wide sidewalks on the Yale Street Bridge.

As Clark Martinson pointed out in the Bike Houston support letter TxDOT's protected intersections on IH 10 in the Energy Corridor are a good model for the Yale and Heights Boulevard intersections on IH 10.

Sincerely,

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