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Subject: City of Corpus Christi Scoping Letter – PR 22 (CSJ 0617-02-073) TIP PROJECT

Dear Ms. Sales-Evans and Mr. MacDonald,

The City of Corpus Christi sponsored and recommended the following project to the Corpus Christi Metropolitan Organization (CCMPO) for inclusion in the FY2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and FY2026 Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) Unified Transportation Program (UTP):

Highway: PR 22 (CSJ:0617-02-073)
Project Name: Safety & Operational Improvements
Limits: Aquarius Street to Whitecap Boulevard
Estimated Construction Costs: \$17,920,000

This letter serves as the City's commitment to maintain this project on any existing or future TIP and UTP, as permissible per federal guidelines. It follows an in-person meeting on Monday, January 26, 2026, between representatives from the City of Corpus Christi (Public Works), CCMPO, and TXDOT. During this meeting we discussed design requirements to maintain federal funding and expressed our continued interest in the project. Furthermore, our City Council passed a resolution during the January 27, 2026, Council hearing in support of this project.

The PR 22 project will be funded with Category 2 funding, within the UTP framework. Category 2 funding addresses mobility and added capacity projects only. The City acknowledges that the project scope must align with criteria from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and TXDOT to maintain funding and inclusion in these federally funded programs. The City requests TXDOT and the CCMPO move forward with the following project scope to include, at minimum, the following elements:

1. Roadway widening for operational improvements, including, but not limited to:
 - a. Additional lane capacity
 - b. Loops for U-turns
2. Raised median and access management enhancements
3. Upgraded continuous ROW lighting improvements (Replacement of existing system)
4. Signage, signal timing and traffic control upgrades
 - a. Include improvements that address queuing and provide enhanced advanced warning
5. Shared use path (Mobility for bicyclists and pedestrians only)
6. Drainage enhancements

Thank you for your continued cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

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