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City of Corpus Christi Planning Commission
1201 Leopard Street
Corpus Christi, Texas 78401

Via Hand Delivery

Re: May 17, 2017 Planning Commission Meeting
Public Hearing Agenda Item C-11
#17-0507 – Amendment to the Urban Transportation
Plan Deleting Bronx Drive

To the Honorable City of Corpus Christi Planning Commission (CCPC) Members;

The Corpus Christi Independent School District (CCISD) submits this letter in support of the CCPC's denial of the Urban Transportation Plan (UTP) Amendment in deleting Bronx Drive between Master Channel Ditch and Yorktown Boulevard, which, as of the writing of this letter, is scheduled on your public meeting agenda for May 17, 2017.

The City of Corpus Christi has adopted by ordinance¹ a comprehensive plan for the growth, development and aesthetics for the land within its corporate limits, which includes the neighborhood communities. As the CCPC is aware, the comprehensive plan includes elements such as future land use, transportation, economic development and public services and facilities. The CCPC powers and duties, among others, is to make recommendation to the Corpus Christi City Council on all proposals to adopt or amend land development regulations in assuring consistency with the Comprehensive Plan.

In our review of the Public Hearing Agenda Item C-11, #17-0507, CCISD is greatly concerned of the impact upon the surrounding communities should Bronx Drive be deleted from the UTP. Bronx Drive is a key ingress and egress for the future residential communities, as it is an essential collector for connectivity and accessibility for current and future growing and expanding communities. CCISD is also concerned with regards to the safeties of its students who walk to and from the Veterans Memorial High School (VMHS) due to high levels of traffic congestion once adjacent communities expand and are fully built out². In addition, and just as important, the removal of Bronx Drive will cause the loss of a future emergency route to VMHS and its surrounding neighborhoods³.

¹ City of Corpus Christi Code of Ordinances, Part II – Council Policies, Section 4.

² This would allow only one ingress and egress to Lipes Blvd which is directly adjacent to VMHS.

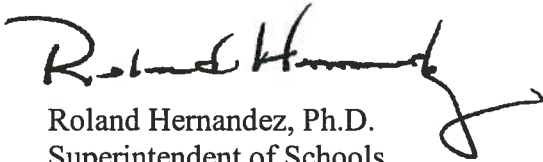
³ See City of Corpus Christi Engineering May 17, 2017 Planning Commission Presentation, pg. 14.

Every student a learner...Every learner a graduate...Every graduate a success!

The Corpus Christi City Council and CCPC has established ordinances, a comprehensive plan and implements public policies for all developers of land to adhere to. Any waiver and/or amendment to the UTP will surely undermine the City of Corpus Christi and its ability to ensure future compliance.

For the aforementioned reasons above, CCISD respectfully requests that the Amendment to the UTP and the removal of Bronx Drive be denied.

Respectively Submitted



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