



August 23, 2010

The Honorable Ray LaHood
Secretary of Transportation
United States Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

RE: TIGER II Discretionary Grant Application – Dallas Streetcar Connector

Dear Secretary LaHood:

I am pleased to support the North Central Texas Council of Governments efforts to security funding through the Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) II Discretionary Grant for a Streetcar System in Dallas.

This project will provide expanded transit opportunities in the urban core of the City of Dallas, promoting sustainable growth and redevelopment. The proposed transportation improvements will improve air quality, transportation linkages, pedestrian access and safety, while decreasing both traffic congestion, air pollution, and will create opportunities for pedestrian-oriented or mixed use development in Dallas' Oak Cliff Neighborhood.

On behalf of the City of Dallas, I respectfully request and thank you in advance for considering the application to the TIGER II Call for Projects.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mary K. Suhm'.

Mary K. Suhm
City Manager