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On behalf of the City of Aurora we are writing to support efforts to seek Congressionally Directed Spending for the Havana Street Corridor Multimodal Improvements project.

The Havana Street Corridor Study was adopted by City Council in 2023, and was the conclusion of a multi-year effort to create a corridor-wide transportation, land use and visioning study that promotes active pedestrian, bicycle and transit friendly places and safe and convenient travel along and across the Havana Street corridor. The resulting outcome was a set of 73 strategies focusing on pedestrian/bicycle, transit, vehicle, and land use & branding improvements.

Havana Street is also one of the most important and highly used transit corridors in Aurora, second only to Colfax. 21,000 households live within ½ mile of the Havana Street corridor, and have rates of zero vehicle ownership and low income status at rates higher than the city average. 16% of these households, approximately 3,400 households, are without a motor vehicle (compared to 5.8% citywide); and 21% of households qualify as low income (compared to 12% citywide).

Significant needed improvements identified included addressing multiple segments with no sidewalks, or sidewalks of substandard width, transit stops with no or limited passenger infrastructure, and limited presence of pedestrian-scale lighting. Support from our Colorado Senators for this request is extremely significant to the community and we ask you to support the City of Aurora's funding request for this important project.

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Office of the Deputy Executive Director

April 29, 2025

The Honorable Jason Crow
1323 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Subject: CDOT acknowledgment of the City of Aurora's Peoria Bridge Replacement Over Sand Creek Project

Dear Congressman Crow,

The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) understands that all requests for Community-Funded Projects under the Highway Infrastructure Program require CDOT to ascertain whether the project is eligible for funding and to be a good steward of the funds if enacted.

On behalf of CDOT, I write this letter to acknowledge that:

1. This project is eligible for Federal-aid highway funding under Title 23, US Code.
2. If a project is selected, CDOT will administer the enacted funds as federal regulations require.
3. CDOT will include the project on the STIP once funding is enacted.

CDOT agrees to follow the applicable requirements for the administration of federal dollars should the project receive funds.

Thank you for your consideration of the project.

Sincerely,

Herman F. Stockinger III

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Deputy Director
Colorado Department of Transportation

