

August 3, 2020

Teresa McWilliam, PE  
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1120 N Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: **Letter of Support for the Downtown Cathedral City Connectors**  
Active Transportation Program (ATP) - Cycle 5 Funding Request

Dear Ms. McWilliam:

On behalf of the **Greater Coachella Valley Chamber of Commerce** and our over 1,300 members, I would like to express my strong support for Cathedral City's ATP Cycle 5 grant application to construct the **Downtown Cathedral City Connectors** project.

The City's "Connect Cathedral City" initiative, launched earlier this year, is aimed to strategically and more competitively develop projects that support active transportation in Cathedral City.

The Downtown Cathedral City Connectors serve to close critical gaps in the City's bike and pedestrian network, enhance existing active transportation facilities, develop Complete Streets improvements, and distinctly create better local and regional access to and from Downtown Cathedral City. They provide crucial active transportation connections that bridge North Cathedral City neighborhoods to the south, serving some of the City's and Coachella Valley's most disadvantaged communities.

Once constructed, the Downtown Cathedral City Connectors will complement the Coachella Valley Regional ATP Plan as well as the CV Link project, which envisions regional active transportation access throughout the Coachella Valley.

In consideration of the importance and value that this project will bring to the local and regional community, we fully support the City's efforts to seek ATP Cycle 5 funding for the construction of the Downtown Cathedral City Connectors.

Sincerely,



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