

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-4305

March 29, 2023

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing
and Urban Development, and Related
Agencies
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Mike Quigley
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing
and Urban Development, and Related
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U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member Quigley,

As you consider the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill, I respectfully request full funding in the amount of \$16,260,500 for the widening of Collins Road located in the Town of Sunnyvale, Texas. This project would expand Collins Road from a 2-lane to a proposed 4-lane to improve traffic safety for vehicle and pedestrian traffic directly in front of the Sunnyvale Independent School District consolidated campus. It would also improve traffic flow on Collins Road for both north and south bound traffic, ease traffic congestion generally on intersecting roadways, and ultimately have a net positive effect on air quality. The funds requested would cover phase two of this project, depicted below:

Engineering Design & ROW:	\$ 1,573,000.00
Engineering Est. of Probable Cost of Construction	\$ 10,687,500.00
<u>Traffic Intersection and Streetscape Costs</u>	<u>\$ 4,000,000.00</u>
Total Coast Collins Road Phase 2	\$ 16,260,500.00

In this rapidly growing community in Dallas County, it is essential steps are taken to mitigate traffic congestion and improve safety for vehicular and pedestrian safety. In previous years, traffic reports have been conducted by town officials and relayed the need for new construction to ease traffic congestion and avoid accidents.

There has been robust community support for this project, and we hope the project can be fully realized with federal assistance.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lance Gooden". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "L".

Lance Gooden
Member of Congress