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SGIP Cycle 6 Evaluators

SUBJECT: Letter of Support for SANDAG SGIP Grant Application for Separated Bike Lanes on Civic Center Drive

Dear SGIP Cycle 6 Evaluators,

On behalf of Circulate San Diego, whose mission is to create excellent mobility choices and vibrant, healthy neighborhoods, I am writing to express our enthusiastic support for the City of National City's application for funding through the SANDAG SGIP grant program. This funding will enable the City to develop much-needed separated bike lanes on Civic Center Drive to improve safety, accessibility, and connectivity for all road users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit riders.

Circulate recognizes the importance of innovative bike facilities in achieving safer streets for pedestrians, people riding bikes, and people using transit. This project will result in the construction of separated bike lanes on Civic Center Drive from Wilson Avenue to Harbor Drive. This is a key connection to the fully-funded Bayshore Bikeway – Segment 5 for the disadvantaged residents of National City. Such improvements are critical to fostering healthier lifestyles, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and supporting economic vitality. By submitting this grant application, National City is taking a significant step toward ensuring its streets are equitable and welcoming for all users, including vulnerable populations such as children, seniors, and people with disabilities.

Circulate strongly encourages SANDAG to fund the City of National City's application. This funding is a necessary step toward creating a city where non-motorized users can travel safely and confidently, while also fostering a healthier and more connected community.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss this further.

Sincerely,

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