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SGIP Cycle 6 Evaluators

SUBJECT: Letter of Support for the City of National City SANDAG SGIP Cycle 6 Planning Grant Application for a Housing Supportive Infrastructure Assessment

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 support for the proposed "Housing Supportive Infrastructure Assessment" grant application submitted by the City of National City for funding consideration through the SANDAG SGIP grant program. Recent rezoning in National City allows for residential or mixed-use buildings up to 250 feet in height in certain areas. The City would like to complete an assessment of the existing sewer, storm drain, lighting, pedestrian facilities (sidewalks, ADA compliance, pedestrian crossings, etc.), and roads to identify infrastructure needs to support high-density development.

The process would include a prioritization process to develop lists of first and second-tier priority projects. As the City moves the priority projects forward to implementation, developers will be incentivized to implement Smart Growth redevelopment projects.

The proposed work builds on a strong history of creating a safe and efficient infrastructure for the people of the City of National City. Through planning and design projects, National City has consistently demonstrated best practices for other cities in the San Diego region. This project is another example of their leadership. Circulate San Diego strongly endorses the City's efforts to seek funding to support projects that facilitate smart growth development. Thank you for your consideration.

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

Sincerely,

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