

November 8, 2019

Fresno Council of Governments
Mr. Tony Boren
2035 Tulare Street, Suite 201
Fresno, CA 93721

Re: Cedar Avenue Complete Streets Project, City of Fresno

Dear Mr. Boren,

I am writing this letter on behalf of the Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC), in support of the Cedar Avenue Complete Streets Project currently being submitted by the City of Fresno Public Works Department. The project would rebuild and rehabilitate roadway on Cedar Avenue between Church and Jensen Avenues. Part of these improvements include the installation of new bike lanes. This is a heavily travelled route and these bike lanes are much needed to create a Complete Street as called for by the City of Fresno's recently adopted Complete Street Policy, and would provide clearly defined paths for bicyclists in an area that includes businesses, schools and churches. Projects like these reduce vehicle traffic, improve safety, and provide active commuting options that didn't previously exist for local neighborhood residents who use or depend on bicycle transportation.

The Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee is a citizen's oversight committee composed of Mayor and City Council appointed members with interest and expertise in bicycle and pedestrian issues. Its mission is to advise elected officials on potential improvements in safety and infrastructure with the goal of making Fresno more bicycle and pedestrian friendly. The BPAC has been actively working to address the disproportionately high numbers of bicycle and pedestrian collisions in Fresno, and strongly recommends the additional infrastructure proposed in this grant application.

Thank you for your consideration of the applications submitted.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Anthony J. Molina". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "A" and "M".

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