



Tim Keller, Mayor

Greater Albuquerque Active Transportation Committee (GAATC)



TO: Honorable Secretary Pete Buttigieg
United States Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington DC, 20590

February 23, 2024

RE: 2024 RAISE Grant GAATC Letter of Support

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

Bernalillo County is requesting RAISE funding to reconstruct Bridge Boulevard Phase 3. The project includes protected bike lanes, ADA-compliant sidewalks, enhanced transit stops, raised landscaped medians, pedestrian lighting, adaptive signals, intersection improvements to address air quality, safety and mobility for all users, and roadway preservation. Bridge Boulevard improvements are identified in the Bridge Boulevard Corridor Redevelopment Plan which also calls for revitalization through land use changes and community-based economic development.

The corridor connects historically disadvantaged communities on both sides of the Rio Grande. It accesses nearby recreational and cultural trails and amenities such as the Biopark, Tingley Beach, National Hispanic Cultural Center, Railyards, Downtown, and Old Town Museums.

As the Committee that advises the City on the needs of people who walk, bike, use mobility devices, use other people-powered transportation options, and use public transit in our community, we are happy to support Bernalillo County's efforts to revitalize the Bridge Boulevard corridor with safe, multimodal transportation options for the South Valley.

Sincerely,

Ryan C. Mast

Vice Chair, Greater Albuquerque Active Transportation Committee (GAATC)