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The Honorable Ray LaHood  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
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Subject: Increase in the Local Match for the Houston Regional Bike/Ped Connections to Transit  
TIGER III Application; Grants.Gov Tracking # GRANT10994093 – Federal Award  
Identifier # HouParksBoard11211 – Funding Opportunity # DTOS59-11-RA-TIGER III

Dear Secretary LaHood:

I am pleased to inform you that the Houston Parks Board, a not-for profit organization and one of the funding partners for the City of Houston's Regional Bike/Ped Connections to Transit TIGER III application, has recently increased its commitment to two of the projects included in the application.

Per the attached letter, the Houston Parks Board has committed an additional \$2.7 million to Projects #2 and #3. When combined with the Houston Parks Board's previous commitments to Projects #1-#3 and #6, the Houston Parks Board has committed \$4,899,150 of privately raised funds to these projects. Considering the additional \$1 million of local match provided by the Buffalo Bayou Partnership for Project #4, this outpouring of private support demonstrates the local commitment of private entities to the projects proposed by the City's TIGER III application.

I have also attached a revised spreadsheet showing the local match and requested funds for the project. This revised spreadsheet replaces page 8 of the Houston Regional Bike/Ped Connections to Transit TIGER III Application/Project Narrative.

I appreciate your consideration of these additional private funds, which reduces the grant funds requested from the Department of Transportation to \$17,207,456.

Respectfully,

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Joe Turner  
Director

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Dear Secretary LaHood:

I am writing to confirm and commit an increase in the Houston Parks Board's commitment for Projects #2 and #3 of the City of Houston's TIGER III application. Due to additional funding that was anticipated but unconfirmed when the Houston Parks Board submitted its commitment letter dated October 28, 2011, I am pleased to commit an increase of \$2.7 million in the cash portion of the Houston Parks Board's commitment for Projects #2 and #3.

With this increase, the Houston Parks Board commits to contribute \$1,272,000 of in-kind land donation and \$3,627,150 in cash for Projects #1, #2, #3 and #6 of the application, if the grant is awarded.

Sincerely,

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# Houston Regional Bike/Ped Connections to Transit

Project	Total Project Cost	Grant Funds Requested (M)	Percent Paid By TIGER III	Match	Partner	Percent of Project
1) White Oak Bayou Path: Alabonson Rd/ Antoine Dr Link	\$976,240	\$234,240	24%	- \$600,000 \$142,000	- HPB HCFCD	24% 61% 15%
2) White Oak Bayou Path: 11th St/Heights Bike Trail/Stude Park Links	\$6,649,010	\$3,236,010	49%	- \$1,200,000 \$2,140,000 \$65,000 \$8,000	- TIRZ #5 HPB COH HCFCD	49% 18% 31.9% 1% 0.1%
3) White Oak Bayou Path: Connections to Residential Neighborhoods & Buffalo Bayou Path	\$2,818,024	\$926,874	33%	- \$400,000 \$1,327,150 \$150,000 \$14,000	- TIRZ#21 HPB TIRZ#3 HCFCD	33% 14% 47% 5.5% 0.5%
4) Buffalo Bayou Path: Sith St/Travis St Link	\$5,116,238	\$3,966,238	78%	- \$1,000,000 \$150,000	- BBP TIRZ#3	78% 19% 3%
5) East Downtown: Transit/Residential/ Commercial Connections	\$10,932,034	\$7,082,034	65%	- \$1,850,000 \$1,700,000 \$300,000	- EEMD TIRZ#15 DD	65% 17% 15% 3%
6) Brays Bayou Path: Ardmore Rd/Old Spanish Trail Link	\$3,398,335	\$1,762,060	50%	- \$832,000 \$675,275 \$129,000	- HPB UH HCFCD	50% 25% 21% 4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$29,889,881</b>	<b>\$17,207,456</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>\$12,682,425</b>		

## Partnership Key

BBP	Buffalo Bayou Partnership	TIRZ #3	City of Houston Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone #3
COH	City of Houston	TIRZ #5	City of Houston Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone #5
DD	Downtown District	TIRZ #15	City of Houston Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone #15
GEEMD	Greater East End Management District	TIRZ # 21	City of Houston Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone #21
HCFCD	Harris County Flood Control District	UH	University of Houston
HPB	Houston Parks Board		