

August 3, 2021



The Honorable Alex Padilla
U.S. Senate
B03 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

E-TRANSMITTAL/ U.S. REGULAR MAIL

Re: Congressionally Directed Spending Request – City of San Pablo Avenue Bridge Replacement and Intersection Realignment Project

Dear Senator Padilla:

On behalf of the City of San Pablo City Council and our residents, I want to thank you for your submittal of a request for funding to the Senate Appropriations Committee in the amount of \$8 million for the San Pablo Avenue Bridge Replacement and Intersection Realignment project.

Unfortunately, since 2018, there have been a total of 55 accidents at this specific intersection in San Pablo, including two (2) pedestrian hit and run accidents, and one (1) fatality accident this past year. Currently, the City of San Pablo cannot fund the non-bridge replacement work, which would transform this intersection into a comprehensive, multi-modal, complete street experience for the traveling public – increasing safety to all users. Realigning the intersection to improve sight distance, slow the vehicles, and provide protected areas for pedestrians and cyclists are key to improving the safety of this intersection. Without these requested Federal funds, this intersection will continue to be a challenge for the traveling public in our community. With the potential funds to enhance the safety of this intersection, the City can better serve its community and safety to all of the road users.

Thank you again for your consideration and submittal of this request—the benefits to the City of San Pablo, its residents, and other regional commuters would be invaluable. If you have any questions or need additional information, please don't hesitate to contact San Pablo City Manager Matt Rodriguez at (510)215-3016, or via email: mattr@sanpabloca.gov

Thank you again for your support for the San Pablo community!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Elizabeth Pabon-Alvarado".

Elizabeth Pabon-Alvarado, Mayor
City of San Pablo

cc: San Pablo City Council
Matt Rodriguez, City Manager
Lynn Tracy Nerland, City Attorney
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Jill Mercurio, Public Works Director