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ENGLEWOOD NATURE TRAIL

**APPENDIX C**  
**Letter of Funding  
Commitment**



CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
CITY OF CHICAGO

June 12, 2024

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg  
Secretary of Transportation  
US Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE  
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

We are pleased to submit this letter to demonstrate our commitment to providing matching funds for the Englewood Nature Trail Project. The total project is estimated to cost \$91,378,041 and the total eligible project costs are \$82,806,211 out of which the City of Chicago is requesting \$12,000,000 from the Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment program. This project is supported by numerous agencies and organizations, and the City of Chicago is fully committed to its construction.

The purpose of this letter is to confirm the City of Chicago's commitment to funding the required 20% non-federal match with \$3,000,000 of non-federal funds. Additionally, the City of Chicago commits to funding the remainder of the project costs through other sources upon award of the Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment program funding. As a sign of our commitment to this project, the Chicago Department of Transportation is completing preliminary and design engineering with non-federal funding. This project is scalable, and a minimum ATIIP funding of \$5,000,000 will help CDOT complete construction of this project in a timely manner. If funding through ATIIP is reduced, the City of Chicago is committed to securing other funding sources to make the project whole.

The significant benefits of the Englewood Nature Trail Project are consistent with the Biden Administration's goals and objectives and will represent a major step towards equitable access to active transportation infrastructure in Chicago's South Side.

We are appreciative of your consideration of our request and your ongoing support for our efforts to bring safe and accessible transportation opportunities and economic vitality to our city through infrastructure investments.

Sincerely,

Thomas Carney  
Commissioner