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945 Eldridge Road
Sugar Land Texas 77478

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Commissioner Jack Cagle
1001 Preston, Suite 950
Houston, Texas 77002

Subject: Proposed Hike and Bike Trail Project
Mason Creek Trail Extension to Katy Asia Town & METRO Park & Ride

Dear Commissioner Cagle,

We represent Cimarron Community Improvement Association, Inc., a community of 1500 homes in the area you represent.

We are writing to express our strong support for the captioned project. This 3.15-mile trail extension would provide the following benefits to the community:

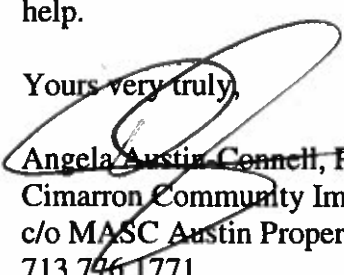
- Provides a safe shared use path (SUP) to the new University of Houston Katy and Houston Community College Katy campuses.
- Provides a safe SUP to the METRO Grand Parkway Park & Ride as well as TxDOT's 360 space car/van pool parking lot at Mason Rd & I-10.
- Connects to the new Katy Asia Town which includes an H Mart as well as over 30 restaurants and shops serving Asian cuisine and services.
- Connects to the Katy Cinemark movie theater, Andretti indoor karting, the Tiger Woods designed Popstroke golf & entertainment venue, at least ten additional restaurants, a JC Penney store and undeveloped land which will have future developments.
- Provides a commuting bikeway to the 2500+ employee Academy Sports & Outdoors headquarters, 800+ employee Geico claims office, Newpark Drilling Technology Center, DNV Group, CNPC Oil & Gas and other businesses in the Ten West Crossing and Mason Creek Corporate office parks. The trail also passes within 0.25 miles of the 99 Cent Store corporate headquarters.
- Connects to or near four existing apartment complexes with over 1000 units and the Williamsburg Settlement neighborhood with 762 homes.
- Provides a pathway to Winborn Elementary School and almost connects to St John XXIII high school.

- The trail eliminates significant bike/ped barriers by constructing trail underpasses of 17 lanes at I-10 (~290k vehicles per day per TxDOT 2016 counts) and 4 lanes at Colonial Pkwy as well as two bridges over Mason Creek. The nearest I-10 trail underpass is 7.5 miles east at Langham Creek.
- Connects to and extends an existing 30+ mile dedicated hike and bike trail network, allowing residents along these existing trails from east of Beltway 8 access the foregoing amenities.
- This will reduce the risk of future bike/ped accidents at the I-10 & Mason Rd intersection where there have been five bike ped accidents in the last five years and four in the past three years.
- The trail will also pass within 0.50 miles of the Katy Memorial Hermann Hospital, the only level 3 trauma center in the region, as well as Life Flight capabilities.
- Provides improved facilities for area residents to walk, jog, bike, and commute, while improving health and the environment.

To the extent we own property along the proposed alignment of the trail, we are agreeable to donating an easement for the trail, subject to review of the final design drawings and subject to Harris County obtaining any other approvals necessary for the trail.

Thank you for your consideration and please let us know if there is anything else we can do to help.

Yours very truly,


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