



September 4, 2025

The Honorable Lesley Briones
Commissioner, Harris County Precinct 4
1001 Preston, Suite 950
Houston, TX 77002

Re: Support for the Harris County Improvement District #1 (Uptown Houston District) – West Loop Shared Use Path

Commissioner Briones,

I am pleased to support Uptown Houston's application for this year's Places4People program and its request for construction funding to complete the West Loop Shared Use Path. This project leverages multiple funding sources to close the connectivity gap between Memorial Park and Uptown. Improving access to the park mitigates vehicular congestion and reduces parking demands at one of Houston's most used activity centers.

This safe and dedicated shared use path is the culmination of a multi-year planning and design effort aimed at improving bicycle, pedestrian, and transit connectivity to and from Memorial Park. Overall, this project provides multimodal access between Memorial Park and Uptown Area connecting destinations such as the Houston Arboretum, Post Oak, Uptown Park, multiple dining and shopping centers, apartment complexes, the Tanglewood Community, and the Galleria.

Within Precinct 4, the path connects from Buffalo Bayou to Memorial Park, adjacent to the Houston Arboretum. The nearly mile long segment within Precinct 4's boundaries is the critical missing middle piece needed to ensure the full project can be completed.

Thank you for your consideration,

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