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Subject: Request for Allocation of \$5M in Unallocated Measure R 710 Funds for Pedestrian Mobility and Safety Improvements

Dear Ms. Delgadillo,

On behalf of the City of Monterey Park, thank you for your continued partnership and support of our transportation and mobility initiatives. Following our recent presentation, we respectfully request the allocation of **\$5 million from the City's unallocated Measure R 710 funds** to advance three critical pedestrian mobility and safety projects. These projects directly align with Metro's Measure R Corridor Mobility Investment Plan (CMIP) priorities of safety, equity, accessibility, and multimodal improvements.

Project 1: Floral Drive Pedestrian Mobility Improvements (Collegian Avenue to Mednik Avenue)

Floral Drive serves East Los Angeles College (ELAC) and multiple nearby elementary and middle schools, generating high student pedestrian activity. Currently, the north side of Floral Drive lacks sidewalks, ADA-compliant ramps, and safe crossings, creating significant safety and accessibility challenges.

Proposed Improvements:

- Construction of new sidewalks and ADA curb ramps with detectable warnings
- High-visibility crosswalks and enhanced striping/markings
- Curb extensions (bulb-outs) and daylighted corners to improve drivers' sight distance
- Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFBs) or signal timing updates to enhance crossings

Key Outcomes:

- Safer school routes for students traveling to ELAC and surrounding schools
- Full ADA compliance, eliminating barriers for people with disabilities, seniors, and families
- Improved visibility and reduced collision risk at critical intersections
- Encouragement of active transportation and walkability in the community

Project 2: Garvey Avenue Pedestrian Mobility Improvements (Atlantic Boulevard to Casuda Canyon Drive)

Garvey Avenue is a heavily traveled commercial and transit corridor, serving seniors, transit-dependent residents, and local businesses. The corridor suffers from missing sidewalks, insufficient curb ramps, and a lack of safe pedestrian crossings, creating accessibility gaps and safety hazards.

Proposed Improvements:

- Construction of continuous sidewalks and PROWAG-compliant curb ramps
- Marked crossings with pedestrian refuges and Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons (PHBs)
- Driveway and bus stop accessibility upgrades
- Enhanced lighting, signage, and wayfinding improvements

Key Outcomes:

- Continuous ADA-compliant pedestrian paths along a busy transit corridor
- Safer access to transit stops and commercial destinations for residents
- Improved pedestrian safety through marked crossings and refuges
- Strengthened connectivity between neighborhoods, schools, and businesses

Project 3: New Avenue & Hellman Avenue Intersection Safety Improvements (Near Mark Keppel High School)

The intersection of New Avenue and Hellman Avenue experiences heavy school traffic during morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up periods. Recent accidents involving students crossing Emerson Street underscore the urgent need for enhanced safety measures. Currently, the signal lacks a dedicated left-turn phase, creating turning conflicts and congestion during peak hours.

Proposed Improvements:

- Installation of dedicated protected left-turn signal phasing
- Controller and cabinet upgrades with advanced vehicle detection systems
- Intersection restriping and ADA curb ramp adjustments
- Leading Pedestrian Intervals (LPI) where warranted
- Updated signage, wayfinding, and optimized signal timing coordination

Key Outcomes:

- Reduced turning conflicts, improving safety for students and drivers
- Safer crossings for Mark Keppel High School students, particularly at Emerson Street
- Decreased delays during critical school peak hours
- Enhanced operations for transit buses and emergency vehicles

Funding Request and Alignment

Together, these three projects represent a comprehensive investment in pedestrian safety and mobility, directly supporting the City of Monterey Park's Vision Zero, Complete Streets, and climate action goals and aligns with LA Metro's funding criteria. The requested **\$5 million allocation** will allow the City to proceed with design and construction, while leveraging additional funding opportunities such as ATP Cycle 8.

We respectfully request Metro's approval to program the unallocated Measure R 710 funds toward the Floral Drive, Garvey Avenue, and New/Hellman intersection projects. These investments will deliver immediate and lasting benefits to Monterey Park residents, ensuring safer, more accessible, and more equitable transportation networks.

Thank you for your consideration and continued collaboration. Please feel free to contact me or our Capital Improvement Program Manager, Mr. Ziad Mazboudi, zmazboudi@montereypark.ca.gov, 626-532-2018, should you require additional information.

Sincerely,



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