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Late Backup

Mayor Leffingwell and Council City of Austin Post Office Box 1088 Austin, Texas 78767

Dear Mayor Leffingwell and Council:

Capital Metro supports the Imagine Austin plan based on the vision of Austin as a compact and connected city. As you know, transit shapes, and is shaped by, the pattern of urban development. Efficient and effective transit service critically depends on where people live, work, and play within the service area. Having compact development in activity centers creates places with transportation choices for Austin citizens.

Capital Metro applauds Imagine Austin in its clear vision of achieving sustainability for the whole community.

Capital Metro has worked closely with the City of Austin during the planning process, and sees the adoption of this plan as a key component of our overall partnership. We look forward to working with the City on implementing transit-rich compact centers for complete neighborhoods within our growing region.

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