

Austin Independent School District
TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT



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December 9, 2014

Mike McAnelly, FAICP

American Planning Association, Texas Chapter

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Dallas, Texas 75243

Dear Mr. McAnelly:

The purpose of this letter is to offer support from Austin Independent School District Transportation Department for the City of Austin application for the American Planning Association and American Public Health Association Planning Health Coalitions grant funds.

With the continuing collaborative efforts of the City of Austin departments, and the continuing involvement of the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Coalition already in existence, the City of Austin is well positioned to implement evidence-based, best practice strategies to increase opportunities for physical activity, improve access to healthy food, and decrease exposure to and use of tobacco and nicotine products, as required by the grant funds.

Austin ISD has a record of previous, ongoing and future successes in evidence-based environmental changes to increase health equity and physical activity. Austin ISD implements the vision of the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan and Austin/Travis County Community Health Improvement Plan.

The mission of Austin ISD Transportation is to provide safe, reliable and professional transportation service for our students in an efficient and effective manner according to the parameters set forth by the District's policy, and in adherence to applicable State and Federal Laws.

This project aligns with our mission because it encourage more people to get daily physical activity by taking trips by active modes such as walking or bicycling and transit. Austin ISD understands the

importance of working across multiple sectors in the community to achieve lasting improvements in health and quality of life.

Austin ISD strongly supports and commits to collaborating with the City of Austin on strategies that focuses on:

- Encouraging more people to choose walking, bicycling or transit to make their trip to work, school, shopping or recreation.

Austin ISD is pleased to offer our support for the City of Austin, and we agree to and look forward to working collaboratively to reduce the burden of chronic disease in the Austin, Texas community.

Sincerely,



Kris Hafezizadeh

Director of Transportation

December 11, 2014

Mike McAnelly, FAICP
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Dallas, Texas 75243

Dear Mr. McAnelly:

The purpose of this letter is to offer support from the American Lung Association (ALA) for the City of Austin application for the American Planning Association and American Public Health Association Planning Health Coalitions grant funds.

With the continuing collaborative efforts of the City of Austin departments, and the continuing involvement of the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Coalition already in existence, the City of Austin is well positioned to implement evidence-based, best practice strategies to increase opportunities for physical activity, improve access to healthy food, and decrease exposure to and use of tobacco and nicotine products, as required by the grant funds.

Our mission is to save lives by improving lung health and preventing lung disease. ALA understands the importance of working across multiple sectors in the community to achieve lasting improvements which the City of Austin partnership ensures.

ALA strongly supports and commits to collaborating with the City of Austin on strategies that focus on tobacco-free environment strategies.

ALA is pleased to offer our support for the City of Austin, and we agree to and look forward to working collaboratively to reduce the burden of chronic disease in the Austin, Texas community.

Sincerely,



Angie McClure
Executive Director, San Antonio/Austin
American Lung Association in Texas



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December 10, 2014

Building Healthy Communities
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Dear Sir or Madam:

The purpose of this letter is to express support from the Texas Chapter of the American Planning Association (APA) for the City of Austin application for the APA and American Public Health Association (APHA) Planning Health Coalitions grant funds.

With the continuing collaborative efforts of the City of Austin departments, and the continuing involvement of the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Coalition already in existence, the City of Austin is well positioned to implement evidence-based, best practice strategies to increase opportunities for physical activity, improve access to healthy food, and decrease exposure to and use of tobacco and nicotine products, as required by the grant funds.

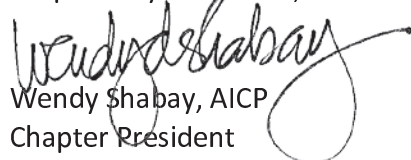
Part of the mission of the Texas APA is to empower citizens to be engaged in the development and sustainability of great communities in Texas, which includes planning for healthy, active public places and lifestyles. The APA Texas Chapter understands the importance of working across multiple sectors in the community to achieve lasting improvements which the City of Austin partnership ensures.

The APA Texas Chapter strongly supports and commits to collaborating with the City of Austin on strategies that focus on:

- Food system planning, including growing, selling, preparing and composting food;
- Support systems for active transportation and transit;
- Active living policies; and
- Tobacco-free multi-unit housing policies.

The APA Texas Chapter is pleased to offer our support for the City of Austin, and we agree to and look forward to working collaboratively to reduce the burden of chronic disease in the Austin, Texas community.

Respectfully submitted,



Wendy Shabay, AICP
Chapter President

Texas Public Health Association

“Health is Every BODY’s Business”

December 11, 2014

Mike McAnelly, FAICP
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Dallas, Texas 75243

Dear Mr. McAnelly:

The purpose of this letter is to offer support from the Texas Public Health Association (TPHA) for the City of Austin application for the American Planning Association and American Public Health Association Planning Health Coalitions grant funds.

With the continuing collaborative efforts of the City of Austin departments, and the continuing involvement of the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Coalition already in existence, the City of Austin is well positioned to implement evidence-based, best practice strategies to increase opportunities for physical activity, improve access to healthy food, and decrease exposure to and use of tobacco and nicotine products, as required by the grant funds.

Our mission is to improve the health and safety of Texas through leadership, education, training, collaboration, mentoring and advocacy. TPHA understands the importance of working across multiple sectors in the community to achieve lasting improvements which the City of Austin partnership ensures.

TPHA is pleased to offer our support for the City of Austin, and we agree to and look forward to working collaboratively to reduce the burden of chronic disease in the Austin, Texas community.

Sincerely,

James H. Swan
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Austin Police Department

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December 15, 2014

Mike McAnelly, FAICP
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Dear Mr. McAnelly:

The purpose of this letter is to offer support from the Austin Police Department (APD) for the City of Austin application for the American Planning Association and American Public Health Association Planning Health Coalitions grant funds.

With the continuing collaborative efforts of the City of Austin departments, and the continuing involvement of the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Coalition already in existence, the City of Austin is well positioned to implement evidence-based, best practice strategies to increase opportunities for physical activity, improve access to healthy food, and decrease exposure to and use of tobacco and nicotine products, as required by the grant funds.

APD is the recipient of a U.S. Department of Justice grant to implement various pieces of the Restore Rundberg project, including innovative law enforcement solutions and a three-year research partnership with The University of Texas at Austin. This partnership works to build the capacity of the community and collective efficacy of the neighborhood, which has improved their willingness to contribute to maintaining public order. APD holds Place 11 *Public Safety Representative* on the Restore Rundberg Revitalization Team to provide guidance and direction on public safety issues, concerns, partnerships and initiatives.

APD's mission "*To keep you, your family, and our community safe*" contributes significantly to the community's ability to be physically active. Active transportation requires actual and perceived environment safety for users of all ages and abilities to feel able to walk, bike, or take transit without fear of insecurity. APD works to be respected and trusted by all segments of Austin's diverse community and has provided immediate language interpretation services available 24 hours a day, has liaisons to minority communities, and provides cultural training for its force.



Keeping you, your family and our community safe.

APD has a history of success in initiatives that encourage physical activity through environment and policy changes within the department and with external organizations:

- APD's Mobile Walking Beat in the Restore Rundberg Revitalization area provides an eyes-on-the-street approach to safety, is knowledgeable about the pedestrian experience, and builds direct relationships with community members and business owners in the area.
- Hosting a month of bike rides for 3rd-5th graders to travel to Hart Elementary school following the recent construction of a pedestrian bridge that enables students to be in walking distance to school, in collaboration with the City of Austin's Safe Routes to School Program.
- APD's Bike Unit provides safety enforcement in more pedestrian-oriented environments, and has secured grant funding to use GoPro cameras to capture traffic infractions of particular interest to bicycle safety, such as unsafe passing by motorists and cyclists.
- APD Staff attends meetings and working groups of the City of Austin's Pedestrian Advisory Council and Bicycle Advisory Council.

We are dedicated to being involved in the strategies and activities of the grant and are encouraged to implement evidence-based strategies which reduce health disparities which are prevalent in the Rundberg community. We would be able to leverage the work of the Mobile Walking Beats officers to distribute materials to community businesses and share information on the grant events. We look forward to collaborations with community organizations and multiple departments of the City of Austin to increase access to physical activity through active transportation. If you have additional questions, please contact me at 512-974-5294 or by email at Donald.Baker@austintexas.gov.

Sincerely,



Donald Baker, Commander



Keeping you, your family and our community safe.



December 16, 2014

Mike McAnelly, FAICP
American Planning Association, Texas Chapter
9629 Fallbrook Drive
Dallas, Texas 75243

Dear Mr. McAnelly:

The purpose of this letter is to offer support from Austin Travis County Integral Care (ATCIC) for the City of Austin application for the American Planning Association and American Public Health Association Planning Health Coalitions grant funds.

With the continuing collaborative efforts of the City of Austin departments, and the continuing involvement of the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Coalition already in existence, the City of Austin is well positioned to implement evidence-based, best practice strategies to increase opportunities for physical activity, improve access to healthy food, and decrease exposure to and use of tobacco and nicotine products, as required by the grant funds.

Our mission is to improve the lives of people, who experience mental, emotional, or substance use disorders and intellectual and developmental disabilities and delays. ATCIC understands the importance of working across multiple sectors in the community to achieve lasting improvements which the City of Austin partnership ensures.

ATCIC strongly supports and commits to collaborating with the City of Austin on strategies that focus on:

- Tobacco-free environments;
- Healthy food environments; and
- Physical activity opportunities.

ATCIC is pleased to offer our support for the City of Austin, and we agree to and look forward to working collaboratively to reduce the burden of chronic disease in the Austin, Texas community.

Sincerely,

David Evans
Chief Executive Officer



Austin Transportation Department

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December 16, 2014

Mike McAnelly, FAICP
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Dear Mr. McAnelly:

On behalf of the City of Austin's Transportation Department, I offer this letter of commitment to participate in the City of Austin's application for the Healthy Planning Coalitions grant administered jointly through the American Planning Association and the American Public Health Association. Together with our coalition partners, we will implement an innovative approach to health improvement through the ¡Vámonos Rundberg! project in North Austin.

The Austin Transportation Department understands the importance of working across multiple sectors in the community to achieve lasting improvements in health and quality of life. The department's Active Transportation Division focuses on improving conditions for walking and bicycling. As one of the lead agencies of the ¡Vámonos Rundberg! project, the Active Transportation Division commits to:

- Leading the development of a program to encourage more people to choose walking, bicycling or transit to make their trip to work, school, shopping or recreation.
- Working with the Office of Sustainability to increase access to healthy food options.
- Working with Capital Metro to increase access to transit stops that connect people to jobs, healthcare, school and recreation.

We are pleased to offer our support for this project. We agree to and look forward to working collaboratively to reduce the burden of chronic disease in the Austin, Texas community.

Sincerely,

Robert Spillar, P.E.
Director



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December 15, 2014

Mike McAnelly, FAICP
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Dear Mr. McAnelly:

It is my pleasure to write a letter in support of the Planning Healthy Coalitions grant application being submitted by the City of Austin. Capital Metro supports the Planning Healthy Coalitions goal to assist local partnerships in their efforts to advance community-based strategies that reduce chronic disease and promote public health. This goal aligns with our continued work on the development and implementation of the Austin/Travis County Community Health Assessment (CHA) and Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP), as well as our mission to connect people, jobs and communities by providing quality transportation choices.

Capital Metro has extensive experience working together with the City of Austin to implement countless projects since our inception in 1985. Most recently, we have partnered to create Project Connect, our regional high capacity transit vision for the future, implement MetroRapid, our limited stop rapid bus service, and achieve many of the active transportation-related strategies and initiatives outlined in the CHIP. The Planning Healthy Coalitions grant, if awarded, would allow us to expand our existing relationship with the City of Austin by offering opportunities to leverage our individual resources into a collaborative effort that would greatly improve the lives of many individuals in the Rundberg neighborhood.

Through this grant, Capital Metro is committed to collaborating with the City on strategies aimed at:

- Increasing rates of physical activity through the implementation of a targeted education and encouragement program to reduce drive-alone trips;
- Increasing biking, walking, and public transit use to access work sites, schools, recreation, shopping and medical facilities; and
- Creating positive changes in attitudes, beliefs, knowledge, awareness, and behavioral intentions related to physical activity, healthy eating, access to healthcare, and tobacco use.

Capital Metro is pleased to offer our support for the City's proposal, and we look forward to continuing to work collaboratively to reduce the burden of chronic disease in the Austin, Texas community.

Sincerely,

Linda S. Watson
President/CEO



Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department



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December 16, 2014

Mike McAnelly, FAICP
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Dear Mike McAnelly:

The purpose of this letter is to offer support from the Chronic Disease Coalition for the City of Austin application for the American Planning Association and American Public Health Association Planning Health Coalitions grant funds.

With the continuing collaborative efforts of the City of Austin departments, it is well positioned to implement evidence-based, best practice strategies to increase opportunities for physical activity, improve access to healthy food, and decrease exposure to and use of tobacco and nicotine products, as required by the grant funds.

Our community – individuals and organizations (public, private, non-profit) – works together to create a healthy and sustainable Austin/Travis County. The Chronic Disease Coalition understands the importance of working across multiple sectors in the community to achieve lasting improvements which the City of Austin partnership ensures.

The Chronic Disease Coalition strongly supports and commits to collaborating with the City of Austin on strategies that focus on:

- Tobacco-free environments;
- Healthy food environments; and
- Physical activity opportunities.

The Chronic Disease Coalition is pleased to offer our support for the City of Austin, and we agree to and look forward to working collaboratively to reduce the burden of chronic disease in the Austin, Texas, community.

Sincerely,

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Philip Huang, MD, MPH
Medical Director/Health Authority
Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department



December 11, 2014

Mike McAnelly, FAICP
American Planning Association, Texas Chapter
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Dallas, Texas 75243

Dear Mr. McAnelly:

The purpose of this letter is to offer support from Community Health Assessment and Community Health Improvement Plan (CHA/CHIP) for the City of Austin application for the American Planning Association and American Public Health Association Planning Health Coalitions grant funds.

With the continuing collaborative efforts of the City of Austin departments, and the continuing involvement of the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Coalition already in existence, the City of Austin is well positioned to implement evidence-based, best practice strategies to increase opportunities for physical activity, improve access to healthy food, and decrease exposure to and use of tobacco and nicotine products, as required by the grant funds.

Project goals identified in Collaborating for Healthy Communities are in alignment with the CHA/CHIP's mission of our community – individuals and organizations (public, private, non-profit)- works together to create a healthy and sustainable Austin/Travis County. CHA/CHIP understands the importance of working across multiple sectors in the community to achieve lasting improvements which the City of Austin partnership ensures

CHA/CHIP strongly supports and commits to collaborating with the City of Austin on strategies that focus on:

- Increase rates of physical activity by implementing a community-wide encouragement program to reduce drive-alone trips;
- Increase biking, walking, and public transit use to access work sites, schools, recreation, shopping and medical facilities; and
- Positive changes in attitudes, beliefs, knowledge, awareness, and behavioral intentions related to physical activity, healthy eating, and tobacco use.

CHA/CHIP is pleased to offer our support for the City of Austin, and we agree to and look forward to working collaboratively to reduce the burden of chronic disease in the Austin, Texas community.

Sincerely,

Patricia A. Young Brown
President and CEO

December 12, 2014

Mike McAnelly, FAICP
American Planning Association, Texas Chapter
9629 Fallbrook Drive
Dallas, Texas 75243

Dear Mr. McAnelly:

The purpose of this letter is to offer support from Community Health Assessment and Community Health Improvement Plan (CHA/CHIP) for the City of Austin application for the American Planning Association and American Public Health Association Planning Health Coalitions grant funds.

With the continuing collaborative efforts of the City of Austin departments, and the continuing involvement of the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Coalition already in existence, the City of Austin is well positioned to implement evidence-based, best practice strategies to increase opportunities for physical activity, improve access to healthy food, and decrease exposure to and use of tobacco and nicotine products, as required by the grant funds.

Project goals identified in Collaborating for Healthy Communities are in alignment with the CHA/CHIP's mission of our community – individuals and organizations (public, private, non-profit)- works together to create a healthy and sustainable Austin/Travis County. CHA/CHIP understands the importance of working across multiple sectors in the community to achieve lasting improvements which the City of Austin partnership ensures

CHA/CHIP strongly supports and commits to collaborating with the City of Austin on strategies that focus on:

- Increase rates of physical activity by implementing a community-wide encouragement program to reduce drive-alone trips;
- Increase biking, walking, and public transit use to access work sites, schools, recreation, shopping and medical facilities; and
- Positive changes in attitudes, beliefs, knowledge, awareness, and behavioral intentions related to physical activity, healthy eating, and tobacco use.

CHA/CHIP is pleased to offer our support for the City of Austin, and we agree to and look forward to working collaboratively to reduce the burden of chronic disease in the Austin, Texas community.

Sincerely,

Shannon Jones, CHA/CHIP Chair,





Housing Authority of the City of Austin

Established in 1937

December 15, 2014

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Charles Bailey
Edwina Carrington
Tyra Duncan-Hall
Isaac Robinson

President & CEO
Michael G. Gerber

Mike McAnelly, FAICP
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Dear Mr. McAnelly:

The purpose of this letter is to offer support from the Housing Authority of the City of Austin (HACA) for the City of Austin application for the American Planning Association and American Public Health Association Planning Health Coalitions grant funds.

With the continuing collaborative efforts of the City of Austin departments, and the continuing involvement of the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Coalition already in existence, the City of Austin is well positioned to implement evidence-based, best practice strategies to increase opportunities for physical activity, improve access to healthy food, and decrease exposure to and use of tobacco and nicotine products, as required by the grant funds.

Our mission is to cultivate sustainable, affordable housing communities and partnerships that inspire self-reliance, growth, and optimism. We envision neighborhoods where poverty is alleviated, communities are safe, and all people can achieve their full potential. HACA understands the importance of working across multiple sectors in the community to achieve lasting improvements, which the City of Austin partnership ensures.

HACA strongly supports and commits to collaborating with the City of Austin on strategies that focus on:

- Tobacco-free environments;
- Healthy food environments; and
- Physical activity opportunities.

HACA is pleased to offer our support for the City of Austin, and we agree to and look forward to working collaboratively to reduce the burden of chronic disease in the Austin, Texas community.

Sincerely,

Michael G. Gerber
President/CEO

*"We envision neighborhoods where poverty is alleviated,
communities are healthy and safe, and all people can achieve their full potential"*

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December 9, 2014

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Dear Mr. McAnelly:

The purpose of this letter is to offer support from Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department (ATCHHSD) for the City of Austin application for the American Planning Association and American Public Health Association Planning Health Coalitions grant funds.

With the continuing collaborative efforts of the City of Austin departments, and the continuing involvement of the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Coalition already in existence, the City of Austin is well positioned to implement evidence-based, best practice strategies to increase opportunities for physical activity, improve access to healthy food, and decrease exposure to and use of tobacco and nicotine products, as required by the grant funds.

It is our mission to promote and protect the health of our community through the use of best practices and community collaborations. ATCHHSD understands the importance of working across multiple sectors in the community to achieve lasting improvements which the City of Austin partnership ensures

ATCHHSD strongly supports and commits to collaborating with the City of Austin on strategies that focus on:

- Increasing opportunities for physical activity;
- Increasing availability and access to healthy foods; and
- Decreasing exposure to secondhand smoke.

ATCHHSD is pleased to offer our support for the City of Austin, and we agree to and look forward to working collaboratively to reduce the burden of chronic disease in the Austin, Texas community.

Sincerely,

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Carlos Rivera

Director, Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department



City of Austin

Planning and Development Review Department
PO Box 1088, Austin TX 78767

December 12, 2014

Mike McAnelly, FAICP
American Planning Association, Texas Chapter
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Subject: Letter of support

Dear Mr. McAnelly:

The purpose of this letter is to offer support from the City of Austin Planning and Development Review Department for the City of Austin application for the American Planning Association and American Public Health Association Planning Health Coalitions grant funds.

With the continuing collaborative efforts of the City of Austin departments, and the continuing involvement of the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Coalition already in existence, the City of Austin is well positioned to implement evidence-based, best practice strategies to increase opportunities for physical activity, improve access to healthy food, and decrease exposure to and use of tobacco and nicotine products, as required by the grant funds.

The mission of the Planning and Development Review Department is to provide planning, preservation, design, comprehensive development review and inspection services to make Austin the most livable city in the country. As part of our mission and as a way of implementing *Imagine Austin*, our comprehensive plan, we strive to create an environment where people in our communities can lead an active lifestyle with access to healthy food, clean air and water, and good healthcare. One of the priority programs in *Imagine Austin* is to create a healthy Austin program “to reduce chronic and diet-related diseases and risk factors by coordinating access to community and health services, local and healthy food, physical activity, and tobacco-free living.” The Planning and Development Review Department understands the importance of working across multiple sectors in the community to achieve lasting improvements which the City of Austin partnership ensures.



City of Austin

Planning and Development Review Department
PO Box 1088, Austin TX 78767

The Planning and Development Review Department strongly supports and commits to collaborating with others in the City of Austin on strategies that focus on:

- Planning and creating policy for our entire food system from growing and selling food to preparing and composting food;
- Creating policy and programs to teach and encourage people to use active transportation and transit; and
- Policies to create communities that encourage active living.

The Planning and Development Review Department is pleased to offer our support for the City of Austin, and we agree to and look forward to working collaboratively to reduce the burden of chronic disease in the Austin, Texas community.

Sincerely,

Gregory I. Guernsey, AICP, Director
Planning and Development Review Department



City of Austin

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT –

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December 17, 2014

Mike McAnelly, FAICP
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Dear Mr. McAnelly:

The purpose of this letter is to offer support from Public Works Department of the City of Austin application for the American Planning Association and American Public Health Association Planning Health Coalitions grant funds. With the collaborative efforts of the City of Austin departments, and the contribution of the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Coalition, the City of Austin is well positioned to implement evidence based, best practice strategies to increase opportunities for physical activity, improve access to healthy food, and decrease exposure to and use of tobacco and nicotine products, as required by the grant funds.

Our mission is to design, construct, maintain and promote the use of bicycle, pedestrian, safe routes to school, and urban trail projects. This proposal aligns with our mission because it not only encourages more people to get daily physical activity by using active modes such as bicycling and walking, but also strives to create positive changes in attitudes, beliefs, knowledge, awareness, and behavior surrounding physical activity.

The Public Works Department understands the importance of working across multiple sectors in the community to achieve lasting improvements in health and quality of life. The professionals in our department are integrated into the fabric of the community and have worked collaboratively to implement our City's Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan. The Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan outlines priority programs which include the Healthy Austin Program, the Green Infrastructure Program and the Compact and Connected Program. Our involvement in these three areas allows us the unique ability to improve the capacity of planning and public health professionals by advancing community-based strategies that provide equitable access to healthcare, nutritious foods, physical activity, and less exposure to and consumption of tobacco.

We recognize there is no single strategy to get this work done, but through collaborative partnerships we will make progress in controlling and greatly reducing the prevalence of many of the current lifestyle based diseases. The Public Works Department is pleased to offer our support for this unique partnership of the American Planning Association and the American Public Health Association. We look forward to collaboratively reducing the burden of chronic disease in the Austin, Texas community.

Sincerely,

Howard S. Lazarus, P.E.
Director, Public Works Department
City of Austin

Xc: Chad Crager, P.E., Community Services Division Manager, PWD



DIVISION OF DIVERSITY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
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December 15, 2014

Mike McAnelly, FAICP
American Planning Association, Texas Chapter
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Dear Mr. McAnelly:

Please accept this correspondence on behalf of the Restore Rundberg Revitalization Team (RRRT) as a letter in support of the City of Austin application for the American Planning Association and American Public Health Association Planning Health Coalitions grant funds.

With the continuing collaborative efforts of the City of Austin departments, and the continuing involvement of the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Coalition already in existence, the City of Austin is well positioned to implement evidence-based, best practice strategies to increase opportunities for physical activity, improve access to healthy food, and decrease exposure to and use of tobacco and nicotine products, as required by the grant funds.

These efforts align with the RRRT which is actively involved in the community as a part of the Restore Rundberg initiative. The Restore Rundberg project mission is to improve the quality of life, health, safety, education, and well-being of individuals living and working in the Rundberg neighborhood. The Austin Police Department is the recipient of a U.S. Department of Justice grant for the Restore Rundberg project area and is engaged in innovative law enforcement solutions and a three-year research partnership with The University of Texas at Austin. The Department of Justice grant itself is only one part of the larger project as Restore Rundberg is a partnership of many people and agencies working together on interconnected problems, leveraging available resources on a federal, state, and local level, and empowering the community to create a neighborhood of opportunity. The RRRT understands the importance of working across multiple sectors in the community to achieve lasting improvements which the City of Austin partnership ensures.

The RRRT strongly supports and commits to collaborating with the City of Austin on strategies that focus on:

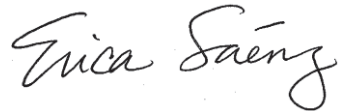
- goals to build community capacity addressing multiple areas by continuing to collaborate with and contribute to the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Coalition, Community Health

Assessment and Improvement Plan, the North Austin Civic Association Neighborhood Plan, North Acres Neighborhood Plan, Heritage Hills/Windsor Hill Combined Neighborhood Plan and Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan

- the RRRT health priority which involves improving health services in the area and is currently partnering with several agencies supporting those efforts including the Latino Healthcare Forum (LHF) which is engaged in a healthcare needs assessment for the Rundberg area
- contributing ideas and technical purview for the grant by convening stakeholders and providing feedback and input to community-based planning activities

The RRRT is pleased to offer support for the City of Austin, and we agree to and look forward to working collaboratively to reduce the burden of chronic disease in the Austin, Texas community. If you have questions, please contact me at 512-232-4460 or by email at ericasaenz@austin.utexas.edu.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Erica Saenz". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ms. Erica Saenz
Associate Vice President for Community and External Relations
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The University of Texas at Austin
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December 10, 2014

Mike McAnelly, FAICP
American Planning Association, Texas Chapter
9629 Fallbrook Drive
Dallas, Texas 75243

Dear Mr. McAnelly:

The purpose of this letter is to offer support from Sustainable Food Center for the City of Austin application for the American Planning Association and American Public Health Association Planning Health Coalitions grant funds.

With the continuing collaborative efforts of the City of Austin departments, and the continuing involvement of the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Coalition already in existence, the City of Austin is well positioned to implement evidence-based, best practice strategies to increase opportunities for physical activity, improve access to healthy food, and decrease exposure to and use of tobacco and nicotine products, as required by the grant funds.

Sustainable Food Center's mission is to cultivate a healthy community by strengthening our local food system and improving access to healthy, affordable food. Sustainable Food Center understands the importance of working across multiple sectors in the community to achieve lasting improvements which the City of Austin partnership ensures

Sustainable Food Center strongly supports and commits to collaborating with the City of Austin on strategies that focus on:
Ensuring SNAP and WIC recipients have information about accessing healthy food through Double Dollar Incentive Programs at multiple farmers' market sites,
Providing nutrition and cooking classes that educate families about eating fresh, healthy foods in a culturally appropriate manner, and
Supporting community food security by sponsoring community and school gardens and providing community members with training and resources necessary to start and sustain gardens.

Sustainable Food Center is pleased to offer our support for the City of Austin, and we agree to and look forward to working collaboratively to reduce the burden of chronic disease in the Austin, Texas community.

Sincerely,

Andrew W. Smiley, Deputy Director

Texas Public Health Association

“Health is Every BODY’s Business”

December 11, 2014

Mike McAnelly, FAICP
American Planning Association, Texas Chapter
9629 Fallbrook Drive
Dallas, Texas 75243

Dear Mr. McAnelly:

The purpose of this letter is to offer support from the Texas Public Health Association (TPHA) for the City of Austin application for the American Planning Association and American Public Health Association Planning Health Coalitions grant funds.

With the continuing collaborative efforts of the City of Austin departments, and the continuing involvement of the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Coalition already in existence, the City of Austin is well positioned to implement evidence-based, best practice strategies to increase opportunities for physical activity, improve access to healthy food, and decrease exposure to and use of tobacco and nicotine products, as required by the grant funds.

Our mission is to improve the health and safety of Texas through leadership, education, training, collaboration, mentoring and advocacy. TPHA understands the importance of working across multiple sectors in the community to achieve lasting improvements which the City of Austin partnership ensures.

TPHA is pleased to offer our support for the City of Austin, and we agree to and look forward to working collaboratively to reduce the burden of chronic disease in the Austin, Texas community.

Sincerely,

James H. Swan
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James H. Swan, PhD
TPHA President

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“For the Promotion and Protection of Public Health in Texas”

December 5, 2014

Mike McAnelly, FAICP
American Planning Association, Texas Chapter
9629 Fallbrook Drive
Dallas, Texas 75243

Dear Mr. McAnelly:

The purpose of this letter is to offer support from University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, School of Public Health (UTSPH) and the Michael & Susan Dell Center for Healthy Living for the City of Austin application for the American Planning Association and American Public Health Association Planning Health Coalitions grant funds.

With the continuing collaborative efforts of the City of Austin departments, and the continuing involvement of the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Coalition already in existence, the City of Austin is well positioned to implement evidence-based, best practice strategies to increase opportunities for physical activity, improve access to healthy food, and decrease exposure to and use of tobacco and nicotine products, as required by the grant funds.

The mission of the Michael & Susan Dell Center for Healthy Living is to serve as the state, national, and international leader in the promotion of healthy living for children and their families, which includes increasing or maintaining adequate physical activity levels. The UTSPH and Michael & Susan Dell Center for Healthy Living understands the importance of working across multiple sectors in the community to achieve lasting improvements in health and quality of life.

UTSPH and the Michael & Susan Dell Center for Healthy Living strongly supports and commits to collaborating with the City of Austin on strategies that focus on:

- Encouraging more people to choose walking, bicycling or transit to make their trip to work, school, shopping or recreation.

UTSPH and the Michael & Susan Dell Center for Healthy Living is pleased to offer our support for the City of Austin, and we agree to and look forward to working collaboratively to reduce the burden of chronic disease in the Austin, Texas community.



Kelley Pettee Gabriel, PhD, MS, FACSM
Department of Epidemiology, Human Genetics, and Environmental Sciences



THE Ghisallo FOUNDATION

December 11, 2014
Mike McAnelly, FAICP
American Planning Association, Texas Chapter
9629 Fallbrook Drive
Dallas, Texas 75243

Dear Mr. McAnelly:

The purpose of this letter is to offer support from The Ghisallo Foundation for the City of Austin application for the American Planning Association and American Public Health Association Planning Health Coalitions grant funds.

With the continuing collaborative efforts of the City of Austin departments, and the continuing involvement of the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Coalition already in existence, the City of Austin is well positioned to implement evidence-based, best practice strategies to increase opportunities for physical activity, improve access to healthy food, and decrease exposure to and use of tobacco and nicotine products, as required by the grant funds.

Our primary mission is to develop youth who safely and expertly integrate bicycling into their daily lives, to teach participants self-sufficient cycling skills, and to facilitate the experience needed for youth cyclists to be peer leaders. This project aligns with our mission because it encourages more people to get daily physical activity by taking trips by active modes such as bicycling. Active transportation is a key component in addressing a number of health issues, especially in our youth population.

The Ghisallo Foundation understands the importance of working across multiple sectors in the community to achieve lasting improvements in health and quality of life. That there is no single silver bullet, but through collaborative partnerships we will make progress in controlling and greatly reducing the prevalence of many of the current lifestyle based diseases.

The Ghisallo Foundation strongly supports and commits to collaborating with the City of Austin on strategies that focus on:

- Encouraging more people to choose walking, bicycling or transit to make their trip to work, school, shopping or recreation.

The Ghisallo Foundation is pleased to offer our support for the City of Austin, and we agree to and look forward to working collaboratively to reduce the burden of chronic disease in the Austin, Texas community.

Sincerely,
Christopher Stanton
Executive Director
512-576-3812 / christopher.stanton@ghisallo.org



December 15, 2014

Mike McAnelly, FAICP
American Planning Association, Texas Chapter
9629 Fallbrook Drive
Dallas, Texas 75243



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Dear Mr. McAnelly:

The purpose of this letter is to offer support from Ventanilla de Salud in the Consulate General of Mexico in Austin for the City of Austin application for the American Planning Association and American Public Health Association Planning Health Coalitions grant funds.

With the continuing collaborative efforts of the City of Austin departments, and the continuing involvement of the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Coalition already in existence, the City of Austin is well positioned to implement evidence-based, best practice strategies to increase opportunities for physical activity, improve access to healthy food, and decrease exposure to and use of tobacco and nicotine products, as required by the grant funds.

The Ventanilla de Salud provides immigrant and Latino families culturally appropriate health education, free health screenings, and referrals to community resources. A large portion of our clients access city services and would benefit greatly from this proposal.

We are interested in partnering with the City of Austin on strategies to:

- Increase the number of individuals who walk, bike, or take public transportation through evidence-based strategies, sharing the knowledge of resources of our *Promotora* network.
- Reduce health disparities among the Latino/Hispanic population.
- Leverage communication of initiatives, events, and incentives through our ongoing Spanish-language media outreach.

Our organization's work is situated around improving the health of the Latino community of Central Texas by increasing their access to health care, healthy food and physical activity. We are viewed within the community as a trusted source of information and navigation.

Ventanilla de Salud is pleased to offer our support for the City of Austin, and we agree to and look forward to working collaboratively to reduce the burden of chronic disease in the Austin, Texas community. If you have additional questions, please contact me at (512)428-2866 x 117 or by email at pmenking@vdsaustin.org

Sincerely,

Paige Menking
Director



December 15, 2014

Mike McAnelly, FAICP
American Planning Association, Texas Chapter
9629 Fallbrook Drive
Dallas, Texas 75243

Dear Mr. McAnelly:

The purpose of this letter is to offer support from the YMCA of Austin – specifically from the North Austin YMCA – for the City of Austin application for the American Planning Association and American Public Health Association Planning Health Coalitions grant funds.

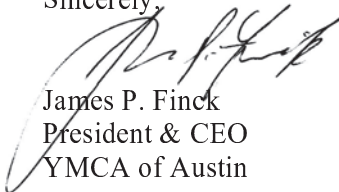
With the continuing collaborative efforts of the City of Austin departments, and the continuing involvement of the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Coalition already in existence, the City of Austin is well positioned to implement evidence-based, best practice strategies to increase opportunities for physical activity, improve access to healthy food, and decrease exposure to and use of tobacco and nicotine products, as required by the grant funds.

The YMCA, as both a physical activity center and a food access site, supports the efforts that would be funded by this grant. The North Austin YMCA partnered with the City of Austin to bring healthy facilities to the Rundberg community. Increasing education for alternative transportation to our recreation center and community garden would further the mission of our program which addresses, first and foremost, the health of the community.

The YMCA understands the importance of working across multiple sectors in the community to achieve lasting improvements. We have worked in collaboration with the City of Austin and strongly support and commit to collaborating on the strategies to increase biking, walking and public transit to our facility; improving the local sustainable food system by seeking input about our newly opened community garden program; and to reduce tobacco use by increasing the visibility of tobacco-free environments on our campus.

The YMCA of Austin is pleased to offer our support for the City of Austin, and we agree to and look forward to working collaboratively to reduce the burden of chronic disease in the Austin, Texas community.

Sincerely,



James P. Finck
President & CEO
YMCA of Austin

December 9, 2014

Mike McAnelly, FAICP
American Planning Association, Texas Chapter
9629 Fallbrook Drive
Dallas, Texas 75243

Dear Mr. McAnelly:

Please accept this letter of support on behalf of Boneshaker Project for the City of Austin's application for the American Planning Association and American Public Health Association Planning Health Coalitions grant funds.

With the continuing collaborative efforts of City of Austin departments, and the continuing involvement of the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Coalition already in existence, the City of Austin is well positioned to implement evidence-based, best practice strategies to increase opportunities for physical activity, improve access to healthy food, and decrease exposure to and use of tobacco and nicotine products, as required by the grant funds.

Boneshaker Project's mission is to give all kids the chance to be physically strong from an early age. We focus our efforts on encouraging kids and families to lead healthy lifestyles and, in turn, inspire others to do the same. We utilize a holistic approach, which aligns very well with the outline of this grant, encouraging and promoting healthy nutrition, hydration, sleep lessons, and fit, active lifestyles – promoting self-sufficiency, self-confidence, pride in ownership and pro-active self-maintenance. Boneshaker Project understands the importance of working across multiple sectors of the community to achieve lasting improvements in health and quality of life.

Boneshaker Project strongly supports and commits to collaborating with the City of Austin on unique and creative strategies that will focus on:

- Encouraging more people to choose walking, bicycling or transit to make their trip to work, school, shopping or recreation.

Boneshaker Project is pleased to offer our support for the City of Austin, and we agree to and look forward to working collaboratively to reduce the burden of chronic disease in the Austin, Texas community.

Sincerely,



Riley Gerber
Executive Director



December 16, 2014

Mike McAnelly, FAICP
American Planning Association, Texas Chapter
9629 Fallbrook Drive
Dallas, Texas 75243

RE: Letter of Support - ¡Vámanos Rundberg! Healthy Coalition

Mr. McAnelly:

The purpose of this letter is to offer support from the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) for the City of Austin application for the American Planning Association and American Public Health Association Planning Health Coalitions grant funds. CAMPO strongly supports the City of Austin and regional partners in planning long-term transportation investments that furthering the use of active transportation.

Objective 4.2 of the CAMPO 2035 Regional Transportation Plan aims to 'Increase bicycle and pedestrian mode share to at least 12% of all peak period trips within the urbanized area by 2035'. CAMPO supports the ¡Vámanos Rundberg! Healthy Coalition because it encourages more people to get daily physical activity by using alternate modes of transportation such as transit, walking and bicycling to access work, school, shopping and recreation.

With the continuing collaborative efforts of the City of Austin departments, and the continuing involvement of the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Coalition already in existence, the City of Austin is well positioned to implement evidence-based, best practice strategies to increase opportunities for active transportation. CAMPO is pleased to offer our support for the City of Austin, and we agree to and look forward to working collaboratively to reduce the burden of chronic disease in the Austin, Texas community.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at 512-974-2656 should you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

Ashby Johnson, Executive Director
CAMPO

dm:AJ

Cc: Mr. Marc A. Ott, City Manager

Adrian Lipscombe
1203 Orlando Street • Austin, TX 78733
210.685.3089

OBJECTIVE

Expand my awareness of transportation in urban planning and architecture through the knowledge I gain through this position that will contribute to my future.

Education

2003 – 2005 : San Antonio College

2005 – 2005 : University of Texas at Arlington

2005 – 2007 : University of Texas at San Antonio
: Bachelor of Science Architecture

2008 – 2010 : University of Texas at San Antonio
: Masters of Architecture
: Certificate in Urban Regional Planning

Thesis: Galveston, Texas: Resilient, Sustainable, Affordable Infill Housing

Thesis Project: A Connection to the Past and Present, Transportation Center
Galveston, Texas

2011 – Present: PhD. Program University of Texas at Austin

Dissertation: What is the lived experience of African American's Perception of Sustainable Transportation?

Computer skills

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| • AutoCAD | • Revit |
| • Microsoft Office Suite | • Sketch-up |
| • Adobe Creative Suite | • 3D Studio Max |
| • Revolution R | • GIS |

Work Experience

**City of Austin, Austin Transportation Department- Active Transportation Division
Bicycle Project Coordinator, April 2012-present**

Manages and coordinates Surface Transportation Program- Metro Mobility Funding (STP-MM)
Federal funding for bike share transportation

- Design location of bike share system
- Coordinate and implement the bike share system in Austin, Texas
- Investigate opportunities to expand and educate about the bike share system in the Austin community
- Coordinate public meetings and surveys
- Project Management/ Budgeting/ Advertisement
- Updating the Bicycle Master Plan
- Coordinate and collaborate on encouragement and safety education for active transportation modes

Teaching Assistant at the University of Texas at Austin, appointment Applied Planning Methods

Part-time, January 2012- August 2012