

April 23, 2025

The Honorable Veronica Escobar Member of Congress 221 N Kansas St Ste 1500 El Paso, TX 79901

Subject: Support for City of El Paso FY26 CPF: I-10 Deck Plaza Project

Dear Congresswoman Escobar:

On behalf of the Downtown Deck Plaza Foundation in the Paso del Norte Community Foundation, I am writing to express my full support for the City of El Paso, Texas, and their \$5,000,000 appropriations request to the Fiscal Year 2026 Community Project Funding (CPF) program for the I-10 Deck Plaza Project.

The City of El Paso, Paso del Norte Community Foundation, and Downtown Deck Plaza Foundation engaged in multiple dedicated community outreach efforts in support of the I-10 Deck Plaza project. The I-10 Deck Plaza Planning Study (included in Supporting Documents) includes a planning initiative where public comments can be viewed at a dedicated website. Amenities and green spaces are presented in detail through dozens of public events and venues: https://www.downtowndeckplaza.org/feedback.

Funding will be utilized for on-system (TxDOT) structural improvements for the I-10 Deck Plaza including retaining walls, support beams, fire safety, and utilities over a 6-block (0.38 miles) length of Interstate Highway 10 (I-10) in Downtown El Paso, Texas. If the project is awarded, the Deck Plaza Foundation will contribute a \$250,000 (5%) match for the FHWA appropriation.

Thank you for your continued support and collaboration. Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely.

Tracy J. Yellen

Chief Executive Officer



May 7,2025

The Honorable Veronica Escobar U.S. House of Representatives 2448 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

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I respectfully urge your thorough and fair consideration of the I-10 Deck Plaza Project in accordance with all applicable rules and regulations. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (915) 273-3591.

Sincerely,

Ricardo A. Samaniego

Ruardo A. Lamaniejo

El Paso County Judge



Sergio Coronado El Paso County Commissioner Precinct 4

May 6, 2025

The Honorable Veronica Escobar Texas' 16th Congressional District United States House of Representatives 221 N Kansas St Ste 1500 El Paso, TX 79901

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Dear Congresswoman Escobar:

I write to express my support for the City of El Paso's Fiscal Year 2026 Community Project Funding (CPF) appropriations request for the I-10 Deck Plaza Project in the amount of \$5,000,000. Funding will be utilized for on-system (TxDOT) structural improvements for the I-10 Deck Plaza including retaining walls, support beams, fire safety, and utilities over a 6-block (0.38 miles) length of Interstate Highway 10 (I-10) in Downtown El Paso, Texas.

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We understand the need to strengthen our overall tourism brand. A Deck Plaza is not a singular goal. This project can influence current and future generations through beneficial environmental and public health outcomes. It will also create a distinct tourist destination that reflects El Paso's rich heritage while celebrating our bicultural community, allowing El Paso's unique natural benefits to shine.

Thank you for your consideration. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Sergio Coronado

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El Paso County Commissioner, Precinct 4



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Sincerely,

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TEXAS HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES

Vincent Perez

State Representative, District 77

May 7, 2025

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Dear Congresswoman Escobar,

On behalf of the Office of Texas House Representative Vincent M. Perez, I am writing to express my support for the City of El Paso, Texas, and their \$5,000,000 appropriations request to the Fiscal Year 2026 Community Project Funding (CPF) program for the I-10 Deck Plaza Project. Funding will be utilized for on-system (TxDOT) structural improvements for the I-10 Deck Plaza including retaining walls, support beams, fire safety, and utilities over a 6-block (0.38 miles) length of Interstate Highway 10 (I-10) in Downtown El Paso, Texas.

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Vincent M. Perez

Texas House Representative

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Dear Congresswoman Escobar:

On behalf of the University of Texas at El Paso, I am writing to express my support for the City of El Paso, Texas, and their \$5,000,000 appropriations request to the Fiscal Year 2026 Community Project Funding (CPF) program for the I-10 Deck Plaza Project.

This funding will support structural improvements—including retaining walls, support beams, fire safety measures, and utilities—along a six-block segment of Interstate 10 in Downtown El Paso.

The I-10 Deck Plaza will serve as a connector between Downtown and Uptown El Paso, improving safety and mobility across all modes of transportation—particularly for pedestrians, cyclists, and public transit riders. By enhancing access and reducing the barrier imposed by the interstate, the project directly supports community well-being and continues to restore the vibrance of El Paso's downtown.

We enthusiastically support this funding request and urge your continued advocacy for this initiative that reflects both the future we aspire to and the community we serve.

Sincerely,

Heather Wilson

President



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Tracy Yellen CEO





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Dear Congresswoman Escobar:

On behalf of the El Paso Apartment Association (EPAA), I am writing to express my support for the City of El Paso, Texas, and their \$5,000,000 appropriations request to the Fiscal Year 2026 Community Project Funding (CPF) program for the I-10 Deck Plaza Project. Funding will be utilized for on-system (TxDOT) structural improvements for the I-10 Deck Plaza including retaining walls, support beams, fire safety, and utilities over a 6-block (0.38 miles) length of Interstate Highway 10 (I-10) in Downtown El Paso, Texas.

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Sincerely,

Association Executive

Mary Grace Sdeng





May 6, 2025

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Dear Congresswoman Escobar:

On behalf of The Borderplex Alliance, I am writing to express my support for the City of El Paso, Texas, and their \$5,000,000 appropriations request to the Fiscal Year 2026 Community Project Funding (CPF) program for the I-10 Deck Plaza Project. Funding will be utilized for on-system (TxDOT) structural improvements for the I-10 Deck Plaza including retaining walls, support beams, fire safety, and utilities over a 6-block (0.38 miles) length of Interstate Highway 10 (I-10) in Downtown El Paso, Texas.

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Sincerely

Jon Barela CEO

The Borderplex Alliance



April 25, 2025

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Subject: Support for City of El Paso FY26 CPF: I-10 Deck Plaza Project

Dear Congresswoman Escobar:

On behalf of the El Paso Downtown Management District, I am writing to express my support for the City of El Paso, Texas, and their \$5,000,000 appropriations request to the Fiscal Year 2026 Community Project Funding (CPF) program for the I-10 Deck Plaza Project. Funding will be utilized for on-system (TxDOT) structural improvements for the I-10 Deck Plaza including retaining walls, support beams, fire safety, and utilities over a 6-block (0.38 miles) length of Interstate Highway 10 (I-10) in Downtown El Paso, Texas.

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Sincerely,

Joe Gudenrath
Executive Director

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May 7, 2025

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Dear Congresswoman Escobar:

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Sincerely,

Ricardo Mora President & CEO El Paso Chamber Ricardo@elpaso.org



April 24, 2025

The Honorable Veronica Escobar Texas' 16th Congressional District United States House of Representatives 221 N Kansas St Ste 1500 El Paso, TX 79901

Subject: Support for City of El Paso FY26 CPF: I-10 Deck Plaza Project

Dear Congresswoman Escobar:

On behalf of Schneider Electric, I am writing to express my support for the City of El Paso, Texas, and their \$5,000,000 appropriations request to the Fiscal Year 2026 Community Project Funding (CPF) program for the I-10 Deck Plaza Project. Funding will be utilized for on-system (TxDOT) structural improvements for the I-10 Deck Plaza including retaining walls, support beams, fire safety, and utilities over a 6-block (0.38 miles) length of Interstate Highway 10 (I-10) in Downtown El Paso, Texas.

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Sincerely,

Robert A. Nathan Manager, Texas Government Relations Schneider Electric

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May 6, 2025

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Subject: Support for City of El Paso FY26 CPF: I-10 Deck Plaza Project

Dear Congresswoman Escobar:

On behalf of MountainStar Sports Group, I am writing to express my support for the City of El Paso, Texas, and their \$5,000,000 appropriations request to the Fiscal Year 2026 Community Project Funding (CPF) program for the I-10 Deck Plaza Project. Funding will be utilized for on-system (TxDOT) structural improvements for the I-10 Deck Plaza including retaining walls, support beams, fire safety, and utilities over a 6-block (0.38 miles) length of Interstate Highway 10 (I-10) in Downtown El Paso, Texas.

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Sincerely,

Alan Ledford President

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601 North Mesa, Suite 1900, El Paso, TX 79902-1150
Office 915-747-4294 • Fax 915-533-1172
Email: huntff@huntcompanies.com

May 7, 2025

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Subject: Support for City of El Paso FY26 CPF: I-10 Deck Plaza Project

Dear Congresswoman Escobar:

On behalf of the Woody and Gayle Hunt Family Foundation, I am writing to express my support for the City of El Paso, Texas, and their \$5,000,000 appropriations request to the Fiscal Year 2026 Community Project Funding (CPF) program for the I-10 Deck Plaza Project. Funding will be utilized for on-system (TxDOT) structural improvements for the I-10 Deck Plaza including retaining walls, support beams, fire safety, and utilities over a 6-block (0.38 miles) length of Interstate Highway 10 (I-10) in Downtown El Paso, Texas.

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Sincerely,

Joshua W. Hunt

President



Hunt Companies, Inc. 601 N. Mesa, Suite 1900 El Paso, TX 79901 915-533-1122

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Senior Chairman of the Board

Hunt Companies, Inc.

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Peter A. Spier President

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On behalf of the A Brothers Milling, LLC, I am writing to express my support for the City of El Paso, Texas, and their \$5,000,000 appropriations request to the Fiscal Year 2026 Community Project Funding (CPF) program for the I-10 Deck Plaza Project. Funding will be utilized for on-system (TxDOT) structural improvements for the I-10 Deck Plaza including retaining walls, support beams, fire safety, and utilities over a 6-block (0.38 miles) length of Interstate Highway 10 (I-10) in Downtown El Paso, Texas.

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Sincerely,

Lydia Hidalgo

President



MountainStar Sports Group, LLC | 1 Ballpark Plaza | El Paso, TX 79901 | (915) 242-2000

May 6, 2025

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Sincerely,

Brad Taylor

Sr. Vice-President & General Manager



May 7, 2025

The Honorable Veronica Escobar Texas' 16th Congressional District United States House of Representatives 221 N Kansas St Ste 1500 El Paso, TX 79901

Subject: Support for City of El Paso FY26 CPF: I-10 Deck Plaza Project

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Sincerely,

Ebetuel (Beto) Pallares, PhD, MBA

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May 7, 2025

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Miguel Allen President



April 29, 2025

The Honorable Veronica Escobar Texas' 16th Congressional District United States House of Representatives 221 N Kansas St, Ste 1500 El Paso, TX 79901

Subject: Support for City of El Paso FY26 CPF: I-10 Deck Plaza Project

Dear Congresswoman Escobar,

My name is Alexis Reza, and I serve as the Director of Operations at Border Trucking Compliance Group, a trucking compliance and insurance company based here in El Paso. I'm reaching out to express our strong support for the City of El Paso's request for \$5 million in Community Project Funding for the I-10 Deck Plaza Project in the Fiscal Year 2026 budget.

This funding would go toward essential structural improvements—like retaining walls, support beams, fire safety, and utilities—over a six-block stretch of I-10 in Downtown El Paso. The goal is to reconnect Downtown and Uptown, areas that have been divided since the freeway's construction in the late 1960s.

The Deck Plaza isn't just about infrastructure; it's about creating a vibrant, inclusive space that reflects El Paso's rich heritage and culture. By adding green spaces, pedestrian and bike paths, and public transit options, we can transform a vehicle-centric corridor into a community hub that benefits everyone.

As someone deeply invested in our city's growth and connectivity, I believe this project is a unique opportunity to bridge historical divides and enhance the quality of life for all El Pasoans.

Please feel free to contact me at (915) 727-7575 or <u>alexis@btcgroupep.com</u> if you have any questions about my support of this project.

Sincerely,

Alexis Reza

Director of Operations

Border Trucking Compliance Group







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May 7, 2025

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Subject: Support for City of El Paso FY26 CPF: I-10 Deck Plaza Project

Dear Congresswoman Escobar:

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Robert Wrinkle Branch Manager



The Honorable Veronica Escobar Texas' 16th Congressional District United States House of Representatives 221 N Kansas St Ste 1500 El Paso, TX 79901

Subject: Support for City of El Paso FY26 CPF: I-10 Deck Plaza Project

Dear Congresswoman Escobar,

I hope this message finds you well! I am writing on behalf of Raiz Federal Credit Union to express our enthusiastic support for the City of El Paso's \$5,000,000 appropriations request to the Fiscal Year 2026 Community Project Funding (CPF) program for the visionary I-10 Deck Plaza Project.

This investment is crucial for enhancing our beloved Downtown, specifically targeting essential structural improvements for the I-10 Deck Plaza. We're looking at vital upgrades like retaining walls, support beams, fire safety measures, and utilities across a 6-block (0.38 miles) stretch of interstate 10. This project will not only revitalize the area but will also provide a safe, welcoming space for pedestrians, cyclists, and public transit users.

Picture a reimagined connection between Downtown and Uptown El Paso! The Deck Plaza will help reestablish this essential link, shifting the focus from a vehicle-centric experience to a vibrant community hub where people can move freely and confidently. We know that the current challenges—traffic growth, aging infrastructure, and insufficient multimodal options—have hindered accessibility and safety for our residents. This project promises to bridge those gaps, ensuring everyone can easily access places where they live, work, heal, learn, play, and pray.

The Deck Plaza is more than just infrastructure; it embodies a promise to the people of El Paso, presenting an opportunity to mend the historical divide created by the construction of I-10 in the late 1960s. By fostering connections and creating a unique destination that resonates with our rich heritage and living culture, we can enhance our community's livability and health. This forward-thinking initiative will celebrate our diversity and promote unity among all El Pasoans, showcasing what makes our city truly special.

Together, let's pave the way for a brighter, more interconnected future for El Paso. Thank you for your continued leadership and support.

Warm regards,

Max Villaronga

President & CEO



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Subject: Support for City of El Paso FY26 CPF: I-10 Deck Plaza Project

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Do not hesitate to contact me at (915) 339-5335 or rprieto@consoreng.com if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Rick Prieto, P.E. Senior Vice President



May 7, 2025

The Honorable Veronica Escobar Texas' 16th Congressional District United States House of Representatives 221 N Kansas St Ste 1500 El Paso, TX 79901

Subject: Support for City of El Paso FY26 CPF: I-10 Deck Plaza Project

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Sincerely,

Andrew Forrest

General Manager, Business and Technical Operations



May 06, 2025

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Subject: Support for City of El Paso FY26 CPF: I-10 Deck Plaza Project

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Charlie Tellez Sales Manager

Jobe Materials, L.P.



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Garrett J. Yancey General Counsel



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Thomas A. Georges

Vice President of Operations

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May 6, 2025

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Subject: Support for City of El Paso FY26 CPF: I-10 Deck Plaza Project

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Sincerely,

Jorge Ojeda, P.E.

President



May 6, 2025

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May 7, 2025

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Subject: Support for City of El Paso FY26 CPF: I-10 Deck Plaza Project

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Joseph M. Ureño Project Executive



May 6, 2025

The Honorable Veronica Escobar Texas' 16th Congressional District United States House of Representatives 221 N Kansas St Ste 1500 El Paso, TX 79901



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May 7, 2025

The Honorable Veronica Escobar Texas' 16th Congressional District United States House of Representatives 221 N Kansas St Ste 1500 El Paso, TX 79901

Subject: Support for City of El Paso FY26 CPF: I-10 Deck Plaza Project

Dear Congresswoman Escobar:

On behalf of CEA Group, I am writing to express my support for the City of El Paso, Texas, and their \$5,000,000 appropriations request to the Fiscal Year 2026 Community Project Funding (CPF) program for the I-10 Deck Plaza Project. Funding will be utilized for on-system (TxDOT) structural improvements for the I-10 Deck Plaza including retaining walls, support beams, fire safety, and utilities over a 6-block (0.38 miles) length of Interstate Highway 10 (I-10) in Downtown El Paso, Texas.

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A Deck Plaza is not a goal in its own right. To justify its costs, this project must restore the connection between Downtown and nearby Uptown neighborhoods separated by I-10's construction in the late 1960s, generate significant environmental and public health benefits, achieve financial feasibility, and—most critical of all—create a unique destination for all El Pasoans, reflecting El Paso's rich heritage, celebrating its living culture, closing an historic rift that has divided El Pasoans along economic, cultural and racial lines, and enhancing livability.

Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Ruben Chavez, PE

Principal



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Tiffany Menefee President

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