## Appendix B: LETTER OF FUNDING COMMITMENT





## CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION CITY OF CHICAGO

March 14, 2024

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary of Transportation
US Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

We are pleased to submit this letter to demonstrate our commitment to matching funds for the California Avenue Bridge Project. This project is estimated to cost \$74,500,000, out of which the City of Chicago is requesting \$59,600,000 from the Bridge Investment Program (BIP). This project is supported by numerous agencies and organizations, and the City of Chicago is fully committed to its construction.

The purpose of this letter is to confirm the City of Chicago's commitment to funding the required 20 percent match through non-federal funding and any other project costs through other sources upon award of the BIP funding. In addition, the City is committed to continued proactive maintenance of the bridges after major rehabilitation is complete. Also, as a sign of our commitment to this project and its alignment with BIP goals, the Chicago Department of Transportation is completing the preliminary and design engineering with non-federal funding.

The significant benefits of the California Avenue Bridge Project are consistent with the Biden Administration's goals and objectives and will ensure these critical components of the surface transportation network and the Sanitary and Ship Canal continue to benefit the community, region, and nation.

We are appreciative of your consideration of our request and your ongoing support for our efforts to bring safe and accessible transportation opportunities and economic vitality to our city through infrastructure investments.

Sincerely,

Thomas Carney

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Commissioner

Chicago Department of Transportation