



September 30, 2022

Secretary Pete Buttigieg  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE  
Washington, DC 20590

RE: Letter of Support - Salt Lake City Reconnecting Communities Pilot Grant Program 2022

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of Salt Lake City Department of Public Utilities, I write in support of Salt Lake City's initiative to address east-west connections across the 1-15 and north-south rail corridors, particularly for people walking, biking, and taking transit.

Connecting the East and West sides of Salt Lake City is one of our city's highest priorities. It will require full collaboration from all City departments and divisions. Salt Lake City's Department of Public Utilities is supportive of this planning effort in that it promises us a greater ability to connect and serve both our East and West side rate payers. We support this planning study to ensure that our utilities continue to provide equitable services to all our rate payers. Such a study will be required to understand, categorize and mitigate all anticipated utility impacts. It is our goal and mission that all citizens of Salt Lake City receive the same high level of service to which we have committed.

I support Salt Lake City's grant application to the federal Reconnecting Communities Pilot (RCP) Discretionary Grant Program to conduct a comprehensive planning project to make improvements to multiple east-west crossings between 600 North and 2100 South. This work will improve our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Laura Briefer".

Laura Briefer  
Director  
Salt Lake City Department of Public Utilities

