



September 4, 2020

Mid-America Regional Council
600 Broadway
Kansas City, MO 64105

Re: North Oak Complete Streets PSP Application

Dear MARC Staff:

The City of Gladstone is submitting an application for Surface Transportation Program funding to implement complete streets improvements in the Gladstone Downtown District of the North Oak corridor. This project will implement important aspects of the recent North Oak Corridor PSP Planning Sustainable Places project.

The proposed improvements in downtown Gladstone will be a major benefit to RideKC customers by providing a safer and more inviting atmosphere to walk to our bus stops and access our services. In addition, the improvements will help spur economic development, which along with quality public transportation services, will be a major benefit to the community.

KCATA participated in the planning phase of this project and has developed a strong partnership with the City of Gladstone over many years. We know that the city is committed to improving transportation access and quality of life in the community, and we plan to provide assistance with this and other projects along the way.

The KCATA supports the Gladstone Downtown District application for funding through the Surface Transportation Program. We hope that you strongly consider this application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robbie Makinen".

Robbie Makinen
President/CEO