

Westchester Villas Maintenance Association

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Houston TX 77079

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Mr. Alan Clark
Transportation Director
Houston-Galveston Area Council
3555 Timmons Lane
Houston, TX 77027

Dear Mr. Clark:

On behalf of the Westchester Villas Maintenance Association I am writing to state the residents' strong support for reconstruction of Memorial Drive. This City of Houston project should be funded in the 2013-2016 TIP.

The Westchester Villas neighborhood is just west of Dairy Ashford and south of Memorial within the corridor where significant new office & multifamily development is occurring. The intersection at Dairy Ashford and Memorial is very congested and during rush hour limits access to the neighborhood. Additional turn lanes should prevent the backups.

Sidewalks to be added along the length of the project will make the area more walkable. Westchester Villas is on the south side of Memorial and neighborhood residents must cross Memorial to shop for groceries. Medians and sidewalks will make walking to Spring Forest Middle School and Stratford High School safer for older students and their parents.

The high density development in this area necessitates these improvements. Memorial Drive connects the Energy Corridor and Memorial City, both of which are expanding rapidly. Memorial Drive provides easy access to work, shopping and medical services but only when traffic is moving.

Please include the City of Houston Memorial Drive reconstruction project in the 2013-2016 TIP.

Sincerely,

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

President,
Westchester Villas Maintenance Association