



APPENDIX I

Letters of Support



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June, 24 2025

The Honorable Sean Duffy
Secretary of Transportation
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1200 New Jersey Ave, SE
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Dear Secretary Duffy:

I am writing to express my full support for the City of Chicago's application for Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) funding for the Chicago Safe Intersections with Accessible Pedestrian Signals (SIAPS) Program. The program is an ongoing effort from the City to modernize and rehabilitate key intersections. Safe Streets and Roads for All funding will support this effort to greatly improve mobility safety for people and motorists. It will reconstruct signalized intersections and install new traffic signal equipment at various intersections across the City. These improvements will reduce severe crashes and increase accessibility for all roadway users while improving the efficient movement of people and goods. The goal of this program is to increase safety using proven, cost-effective countermeasures that are readily implemented. This effort will support the City's initiative of reducing roadway fatalities and serious injuries.

Safety for all roadway users is central to the goals of the Chicago SIAPS Program. Proposed improvements will include measures to reduce the frequency of severe crashes at intersections, where crashes tend to cluster. These include the installation of larger, more visible LED traffic signal heads, countdown pedestrian signals, Accessible Pedestrian Signals (APS) for visually-impaired people, and equipment that monitors traffic and synchronizes timing along congested corridors. The improvements also provide the opportunity for the simultaneous installation of other critical safety measures such as curb extensions and ADA improvements.

Beyond its safety benefits, this project is cost-effective and will result in substantial cost savings by incorporating state-of-the-art signal and communications equipment that increase system capacity, flexibility, and reliability.

We thank you for your careful review of this application and urge you to provide Safe Streets and Roads for All funding for the Chicago SIAPS Program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Graciela Guzman".

Graciela Guzman
20th District State Senator

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Will Guzzardi
STATE REPRESENTATIVE
39th DISTRICT

June 24, 2025

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

Dear Secretary Duffy,

As State Representative for the 39th District of Illinois, I am writing to express my support for the City of Chicago's application for Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) funding for the Chicago Safe Intersections with Accessible Pedestrian Signals (SIAPS) Program. The program is an ongoing effort from the City to modernize and rehabilitate key intersections. SS4A funding will support this effort to greatly improve mobility safety for people and motorists. It will reconstruct signalized intersections and install new traffic signal equipment at various intersections across the City, and these improvements will reduce severe crashes and increase accessibility for all roadway users while improving the efficient movement of people and goods. The goal of this program is to increase safety using proven, cost-effective countermeasures that are readily implemented and to support the City's initiative of reducing roadway fatalities and serious injuries.

Proposed improvements in the Chicago SIAPS Program will include measures to reduce the frequency of severe crashes at intersections, where crashes tend to cluster. These include the installation of larger, more visible LED traffic signal heads, countdown pedestrian signals, Accessible Pedestrian Signals (APS) for visually-impaired people, and equipment that monitors traffic and synchronizes timing along congested corridors. The improvements also provide the opportunity for the simultaneous installation of other critical safety measures such as curb extensions and ADA improvements.

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I thank you for your careful review of this application and urge you to provide Safe Streets and Roads for All funding for the Chicago SIAPS Program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Will Guzzardi". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent "W" and "G".

Will Guzzardi
State Representative, 39th District



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June 25, 2025

The Honorable Sean Duffy
Secretary of Transportation, U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave., SE
Washington, D.C. 2059

Dear Secretary Duffy:

The Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) is supportive of the city of Chicago's application to the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) grant program for the Safe Intersections with Accessible Pedestrian Signals (SIAPS) project. This project will improve overall roadway safety and is in alignment with the recommendations included in the [Cook County Safety Action Plan](#), which includes the city of Chicago. The [Cook County Safety Action Plan](#) was developed in partnership with CMAP and recommends strategies to reduce traffic fatalities and serious injuries across the County.

As the comprehensive regional planning organization of northeastern Illinois, CMAP is committed to supporting initiatives that will improve traffic safety in a comprehensive, data-informed, and collaborative way. The SIAPS project will reconstruct signalized intersections and install new traffic signal equipment at various intersections across the City. These include the installation of larger, more visible LED traffic signal heads, countdown pedestrian signals, Accessible Pedestrian Signals (APS) for visually-impaired people, and equipment that monitors traffic and synchronizes timing along congested corridors. These improvements will reduce severe crashes and increase accessibility for all roadway users while improving the efficient movement of people and goods.

Once again, CMAP is supportive of the city of Chicago's application to the SS4A grant program for the SIAPS project.

Sincerely,

Erin Aleman
Executive Director

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June 23, 2025

SENT VIA EMAIL

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Attention: Secretary Duffy

I am writing to express my full support for the City of Chicago's application for Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) funding for the Chicago Safe Intersections with Accessible Pedestrian Signals (SIAPS) Program. The Cook County Safety Action Plan found that 42 percent of traffic fatalities and serious injuries in Chicago occurred at intersections. SS4A funding will support the City's effort to greatly improve mobility, accessibility, and safety for people and motorists by reconstructing signalized intersections and installing new traffic signal equipment across the City. The goal of this program is to increase safety using proven, cost-effective countermeasures that are readily implemented. This effort will support both the City and the Cook County Safety Action Plan's commitment to reducing roadway fatalities and serious injuries.

Safety for all roadway users is central to the goals of the Chicago SIAPS Program. Proposed improvements will include measures to reduce the frequency of severe crashes at intersections, where crashes tend to cluster. These include the installation of larger, more visible LED traffic signal heads, countdown pedestrian signals, Accessible Pedestrian Signals (APS) for visually-impaired people, and equipment that monitors traffic and synchronizes timing along congested corridors. The improvements also provide the opportunity for the simultaneous installation of other critical safety measures such as curb extensions and ADA improvements.

This safety project will also result in substantial cost savings by incorporating state-of-the-art signal and communications equipment that increase system capacity, flexibility, and reliability.

I look forward to the outcome of your team's grant review and encourage award for this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jennifer 'Sis' Killen".

Jennifer "Sis" Killen, P.E., PTOE
Superintendent
Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways



SCOTT E. WAGUESPACK

Alderman, 32nd Ward - City Council of Chicago

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June 24, 2025

The Honorable Sean Duffy
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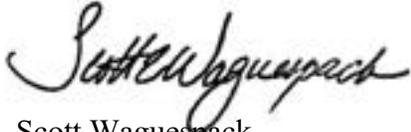
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We thank you for your careful review of this application and urge you to provide Safe Streets and Roads for All funding for the Chicago SIAPS Program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Scott Waguespack". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "S" and a long, sweeping underline.

Scott Waguespack
Alderman 32nd Ward



CITY OF CHICAGO



ANTHONY J. QUEZADA
ALDERMAN, 35TH WARD

June 24, 2025

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

Dear Secretary Duffy:

I am writing to express my enthusiastic support for the City of Chicago's application for Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) funding for the Chicago Safe Intersections with Accessible Pedestrian Signals (SIAPS) Program. The program is an ongoing effort from the City to modernize and rehabilitate key intersections. Safe Streets and Roads for All funding will support this effort to greatly improve mobility safety for people and motorists. It will reconstruct signalized intersections and install new traffic signal equipment at various intersections across the City. These improvements will reduce severe crashes and increase accessibility for all roadway users while improving the efficient movement of people and goods. The goal of this program is to increase safety using proven, cost-effective countermeasures that are readily implemented.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Anthony J. Quezada".

Anthony J. Quezada
35th Ward Alderman
City of Chicago



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June 20, 2025

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Secretary of Transportation
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Dear Secretary Duffy:

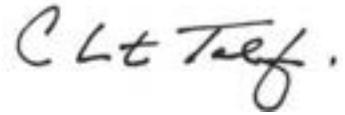
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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "C Lt Taliaferro". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Alderman Chris Taliaferro, 29th Ward