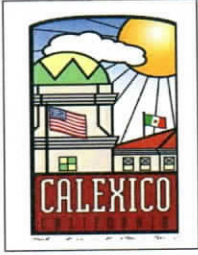


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DATE: February 1, 2023

TO: Mayor and City Council

APPROVED BY: Esperanza Colio Warren, City Manager 

PREPARED BY: Lilliana Falomir, Public Works Manager – Administrative 

SUBJECT: Approve Letter to Pete Buttigieg, Secretary of the United States Department of Transportation in Support of Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) Rebuilding America Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant application for the Calexico Intermodal Transportation Center Project.

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Recommendation:

It is recommended that the City Council of the City of Calexico approve the enclosed letter to Pete Buttigieg, Secretary of the United States Department of Transportation in Support of Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) Rebuilding America Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant application for the Calexico Intermodal Transportation Center Project.

Background:

Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) will be submitting a grant application to the United States Department of Transportation Rebuilding America Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) program for the Calexico Intermodal Transportation Center (Calexico ITC) project.

The project will consist of the construction of a new transportation facility in Downtown Calexico to consolidate public and private transportation providers in one facility to improve mobility and safety of passengers, increase transit ridership, accommodate zero-emission transit vehicles, reduce vehicle emissions, and enhance the Downtown Business District.

Discussion & Analysis:

City staff recommend that the City Council of the City of Calexico approve the enclosed letter to Pete Buttigieg, Secretary of the United States

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Department of Transportation in Support of Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) Rebuilding America Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant application for the Calexico Intermodal Transportation Center Project.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no anticipated impact to the City of Calexico's General Fund.

Coordinated With:

City Manager's Office.
Imperial County Transportation Commission.

Attachment(s):

1. Letter to Pete Buttigieg, Secretary of the United States Department of Transportation in Support of Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) Rebuilding America Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant application for the Calexico Intermodal Transportation Center Project.



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February 1, 2023

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary of the United States Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

RE: Support of Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) Rebuilding America Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant application for the Calexico Intermodal Transportation Center project

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of the City of Calexico, I am writing in support of the application of the Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) to the United States Department of Transportation's (US DOT) Rebuilding America Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) program for the Calexico Intermodal Transportation Center (Calexico ITC) project.

The project will construct a new transportation facility in Downtown Calexico to consolidate public and private transportation providers in one facility to improve mobility and safety of passengers, increase transit ridership, accommodate zero-emission transit vehicles, reduce vehicle emissions, and enhance the Downtown Business District. The City of Calexico supports ICTC's request for \$10.52 million from the RAISE program for this project.

The Calexico ITC will serve as a regional mobility hub and transfer terminal to improve the connectivity to jobs, housing, public services, schools and commercial centers. ***The existing bus transfer top is undersized for the volume of demand and poorly located.*** The ***new*** facility will accommodate fixed route, demand-responsive and paratransit public transit service buses and vehicles, farm labor buses, taxis, and private transportation services such as Greyhound.

The project is located within walking distance of the Calexico West Land Port of Entry, the third busiest Land Port of Entry in California. 4.8 million northbound pedestrians cross each year to work, shop and attend school. The number of northbound pedestrians is projected to increase with the current expansion of the international border crossing facility. The Calexico ITC project will reconstruct the sidewalk to the Calexico West LPOE to improve accessibility to the intermodal facility. Federal funding for this project will allow the Calexico ITC to open in year 2026.

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We appreciate your consideration of this important project. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (760) 768-2102.

Sincerely,

CITY OF CALEXICO

Javier Moreno
Mayor