



May 16, 2022

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

RE: Support for the Multimodal Options for a Vibrant, Equitable (MOVE) Western Slope proposal for MPDG/Rural Surface Transportation grant funding

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

The City of Aspen wishes to express its strong support for the Colorado Department of Transportation's (CDOT) MOVE Western Slope project, which will create three multimodal transportation hubs along the Interstate 70 corridor in Central Colorado.

Implementation of the West Glenwood Transit Hub will allow the RFTA to extend its VelociRFTA BRT system from the current terminus at the 27th Street Station at the southern end of Glenwood Springs to its downtown core and then to the West Glenwood Transit Hub. This is an opportunity to improve BRT access to all of Glenwood Springs, and to create a BRT connection between the SH82 corridor and Interstate 70, allowing BRT to operate up to 83 miles between the Town of Parachute on I-70 and City of Aspen on SH82, expanding accessibility and mobility for visitors, residents and workers throughout the region.

The West Glenwood Transit Hub will feature spacious, enclosed bus waiting areas, restrooms, sheltered boarding areas, real-time arrival, first and last mile mobility options (FLMM) and other amenities to make the critical connection between SH82 and Interstate 70 seamless and comfortable.

We urge you to fund this proposal. It meets the intent of the grant program, and it is a perfect demonstration of leveraging modest Federal infrastructure funds to accomplish extraordinary results.

Sincerely,

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Mayor