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RE:

City of Cartersville Request for EEE LMIG Funding

Roundabout at Collins Drive and SR 61

Dear Grant:

The City of Cartersville is requesting EEE LMIG assistance to implement the construction of a roundabout at Collins Drive and Tennessee Street/SR 61. In 2022, the Cartersville-Bartow MPO engaged Stantec to do a Tennessee Street Corridor Study. Out of the extensive study came a recommendation to improve traffic speeds and multi-modal opportunities by construction a roundabout at the above-named intersection.

In following up on the recommendation, a safety study was conducted at this intersection and at Gentilly Boulevard by the Safety Committee of the Georgia Department of Transportation. This report is attached. It concludes that, of the two intersections, the better cost/benefit ratio attaches to the Collins Drive location. The implementation of the roundabout will greatly improve left turn movements at this busy intersection and serve to help moderate the speed of the traffic traversing this section of Tennessee Street.

The project is listed at CB-432 in the recently adopted CBMPO Transportation Improvement Program. The cost estimate provided by GDOT for the favored intersection approach of a **single-lane roundabout is \$2,500,000**. We thank you and Commissioner McMurry for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Matt Santini, Mayor City of Cartersville

CC: Steven Foy, Cartersville Public Works Tom Sills, CBMPO

Enclosure: SR 61 at Collins Dr and Gentilly Blvd_Safety Screening

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