

## Town of Johnstown

February 7, 2021

Ms. Katrina M. Kloberdanz, P.E. Local Agency and Traffic Design Resident Engineer Colorado Department of Transportation 10601 West 10<sup>th</sup> Street Greeley, CO 80634

Re: Warrants and Signalization Consideration, Highway 60 and Carlson Boulevard

## Dear Katrina:

I hope this letter finds you well and that you are staying healthy and safe. The Town of Johnstown is currently experiencing rapid growth in our community, and some of this additional growth includes the planned construction of two schools located southwest of Colorado Boulevard and Highway 60. One of the facilities will be a new elementary school, and the second facility will be a new high school. The facilities are expected to be completed and operational in August 2022 and August 2023 respectively.

The additional traffic will burden the area of Highway 60 and Colorado Boulevard as well as the adjacent intersections on Highway 60 significantly, with as much as 5,000 additional trips per day. Also, recently there have been a number of critical accidents at the intersection of Highway 60 and Colorado Boulevard, including one on January 11, 2021 that had significant injuries. It is based on the existing traffic challenges, the anticipated growth in the near future of new educational facilities, coupled with residential development adjacent to Highway 60 that is currently under construction that we are requesting a review for warrants for installation of a traffic signal at Carlson Boulevard and Highway 60. The Town would anticipate being an actively engaged financial partner in this project.

At your convenience, we would respectively request a meeting with you and/or members of your team to identify how these warrants will be determined and additionally, how we can go about determining the process by which to install a new traffic signal along Highway 60 at Carlson Boulevard.

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www.TownofJohnstown.com P: 970.587.4664 | 450 S. Parish Ave, Johnstown CO | F: 970.587.0141 Additionally, with the known development occurring south of Highway 60 on Colorado Boulevard, we would also welcome engagement on planning and design for full build out of the Colorado Boulevard and Highway 60 intersection. We believe it would be advantageous to evaluate this section of the corridor concurrently to optimize the traffic flow and ensure safety is kept at a premium.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated, and we appreciate the partnership that we have with you and the Colorado Department of Transportation. If you have any additional questions, please contact me at your convenience.

Regards,

Matthew S. LeCerf
Town Manager

cc: Johnstown Mayor Gary Lebsack Johnstown Town Councilmembers Marco Carani, PW Director Ellen Hilbig, P.E., Deputy PW Director