




MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Council

THRU: Gina Fiandaca, Assistant City Manager

FROM: Richard Mendoza, Director, Public Works Department 

DATE: December 29, 2021

SUBJECT: **Update on Resolution 20210422-055 relating to U.S. Representative Lloyd Doggett's submission for community project fundings for the Bergstrom Spur**

On April 22, 2021, City Council passed Resolution 20210422-055, which formalized support for U.S. Representative Lloyd Doggett's Member Designated Project Funding request of up to \$25 million to the U.S. House Committee on Appropriations to provide connectivity improvements to the approximately six-mile Bergstrom Spur and commits to fund a 20% local grant match for this project.

On May 5, 2021, Brie Franco, Intergovernmental Relations Officer, informed Mayor and Council that her office had sent "the signed resolutions to Congressman Doggett, formalizing the City of Austin's support for his funding request submission on both the MoKan Corridor Trail and the Bergstrom Spur."

The Intergovernmental Relations Office has learned that while the Bergstrom Trail earmark was originally included in the surface transportation reauthorization legislation, ultimately the reauthorization was passed through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, which did not include any earmarks. Because it did not include any earmarks, the Bergstrom Trail funding was not successful.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or require more information on this matter.