

January 24, 2023

Dear Mayor Jones, Alderman Bosley, and members of the Housing, Urban Development and Zoning Committee of the Board of Aldermen,

We are writing to you again as a follow-up to our letter from December 16, 2022 about Board Bill 120, which allocates funding to critical infrastructure needs across the City of St. Louis. As we wrote in our previous letter, we are so grateful to see the prioritization of transportation for people walking, biking, and taking transit in these investments. These improvements are sorely needed — and we see it every day on our streets and sidewalks as people are injured, killed, and scared trying to get from place to place.

The commitment of funds to traffic calming and ADA improvements along the five corridors prioritized for repaving with previously allocated ARPA funds, and for the funding to support a comprehensive, city-wide plan are particularly important, as this investment will put us on the path towards more safe and accessible transportation across the City of St. Louis.

We encourage the **HUDZ committee and the members of the Board of Aldermen to pass Board Bill 120 with its current funding allocation**. As we requested in our last letter, we want to see this funding well executed, with investments closely aligned with the ADA transition plan, careful and intentional selection of sites, and thoughtful execution of the comprehensive plan. We want to see this funding put into action on these critical infrastructure projects.

In our last letter, we also asked for funding to be allocated to education and enforcement. While we still want to see these priorities fulfilled, we understand that it's a challenging balancing act to distribute this funding. We are aware that the Mayor's office is seeking other, more sustainable sources for funding these critical issues, and we encourage education (including drivers education for youth) and enforcement (including addressing hit-and-run crashes) to be addressed as soon as possible.

ARPA funding is an incredible, one-time opportunity to begin to address the (literal) gaping holes in our transportation system. We look forward to working closely with the Board of Aldermen, the Mayor's office, and staff across the City to bring these efforts to life.

Thank you,

*The Voting Members of the Community Mobility Committee*

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