



BILL GRAVELL JR.
County Judge
WILLIAMSON COUNTY TEXAS

January 25, 2022

Mr. Bobby Jenkins, Chairman
Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority
3300 N IH-35, Suite 300
Austin, TX 78705

RE: Williamson County Priorities

Dear Mr. Jenkins,

As you are well aware, Williamson County is experiencing continued population growth, with over 46% growth from 2010 to 2020, making the county the 4th fastest growing of large counties in the state. Large employers are transforming our county into a dynamic place to live, with people moving here in a steady and fast pace for the economic vitality. With this growth, real estate is booming, and the cost of land is increasing dramatically.

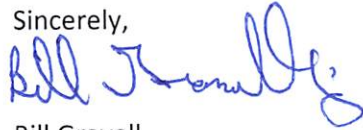
An important priority of Williamson County is to preserve right-of-way, while there is still opportunity and before growth drastically reduces transportation corridor options. Having roadway options in the future will provide Williamson County residents personal mobility, ability to avoid traffic congestion and retain the quality of life that they currently enjoy as one of the healthiest counties in the nation. We ask that you have a collaborative approach and work with transportation partners to help preserve right-of-way on future corridors, while it is still available.

Another priority is to be fiscally responsible and good stewards of financial resources. We would suggest that the CTRMA review its cash reserve policy to establish and maintain a cash reserve balance that would allow the CTRMA to more fully fund local projects that are identified as priorities by Williamson County.

Finally, we request parity and equality between the counties, especially when funding revenue and non-revenue generating projects. We request that the CTRMA take a historic look at right-of-way contributions by the two counties on projects and credit those contributions to the counties when future projects are considered and certainly before any non-revenue producing projects are considered in a county. If CTRMA funds are expended for non-revenue positive projects then Williamson County expects equal funds to be provided Williamson County for corridor preservation.

Williamson County is proud to be the home of the most successful first project of the most successful RMA in the State of Texas. We look forward to continuing that partnership.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bill Gravell", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Bill Gravell
Williamson County Judge