

United States Senate

April 28, 2016

The Honorable Anthony Foxx
Secretary
United States Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Secretary Foxx:

I write in support of the 2016 Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER VIII) competitive grant application being submitted by the Village of Glenview, Illinois for the relocation of their Amtrak stop to the North Glen Metra station, and the expansion of parking facilities downtown, to reduce congestion and facilitate economic growth.

The Village of Glenview adopted a downtown revitalization plan in June 2006 with the goals of upgrading public infrastructure, improving opportunities for economic development, increasing multimodal connectivity, and reducing congestion in the downtown area. Since adoption, the Village has expended significant resources to implement the plan. A TIGER grant would enable the Village of Glenview to complete the project and promote continued growth in the region. The proposed two-level parking deck and reconfiguration of an existing parking lot, coupled with the relocation of the Amtrak stop to the North Glen Metra station, would drastically reduce congestion on Glenview Road and provide increased access to commercial development downtown. In addition, this project will promote public health and safety by upgrading bike lanes and increasing opportunities for non-motorized transportation within the community.

This project would stimulate economic growth in the Village of Glenview while reducing traffic congestion, increasing multi-modal connections and increasing quality of life for the community. For these reasons, I urge you to give this application every consideration. If you should have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact Shaun McCabe at my Chicago office at (312) 886-3506.

Sincerely,



Mark Kirk
United States Senator