



April 12, 2016

Anthony R. Foxx, Secretary
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave., SE
Washington, DC 20590

RE: Letter of Support for the City of Wichita's FY 2016 TIGER Discretionary Grant Application

Dear Mr. Foxx:

The Wichita Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (WAMPO) Transportation Policy Body voted to support the City of Wichita's FY 2016 TIGER Discretionary Grant Application.

WAMPO recently adopted MOVE 2040 as the region's long range transportation plan. The goals of MOVE 2040 include promoting economic vitality, quality of life, and transportation choice and connectivity. The Wichita State University Innovation Campus is critical to the region's economic vitality and quality of life. TIGER funding will significantly enhance the transportation choices and connections for the Innovation Campus beyond those than can be provided solely with local funding sources.

The City of Wichita's TIGER grant application also is directly aligned with the MOVE 2040 investment strategy for multi-modalism. The multi-modalism investment strategy promotes infill development and regional coordination through transportation investments in commuter transit services and bicycle connectivity like those proposed for TIGER funding.

WAMPO encourages you to fund this exciting multi-modal transportation project that will foster growth and development of our community in innovative ways.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Thomas L. Jones', is written over a white background.

Thomas L. Jones, Chair
Transportation Policy Body
Wichita Area Metropolitan Planning Organization