



May 31, 2025

Dear Mayor Romero and members of the City Council,

The Catalina Vista Neighborhood Association, a member of the Grant Road Coalition, strongly opposes the current recommended plan for Phase 5/6 of the Grant Road expansion project. We have learned that funding is insufficient for this final phase, specifically the central segments, and a reduced scope has been suggested to complete the work. This revision and current proposal of total right-of-way filled with six lanes, eliminates any mitigation of traffic, pedestrians, bicyclists, landscaping or enhancements that maintain or improve the quality of life for the existing neighborhoods that will be affected by the road expansion. This is unacceptable. Furthermore, it was also discussed in the May 22 Grant Rd Coalition meeting (with representatives from both RTA and DTM in attendance), that the noise and traffic studies for this project are based on data gathered many years ago and most likely is no longer accurate. We strongly suggest that new studies be made that would give a more accurate picture of what is currently needed.

We oppose the implementation of this abbreviated plan if it does not improve and enhance this central segment of the city, including not only to improve movement of motorized traffic, but also improvement and mitigation for safety, noise, and landscaping. If funds are no longer available to implement the improvements and amenities included in the original plan, the representatives of the Catalina Vista Neighborhood Association would be **in favor of waiting for the city to raise the funds or make this project a priority with RTA Next**. Please do the job right the first time, as opposed to settling for an abbreviated plan that fails the needs of our community and may never be corrected.

It is worth noting, once again, that phase 5/6 is the most residentially populated section of Grant Road, including four historically significant neighborhoods bordering and directly impacted by this project. Each of these neighborhoods have been directly involved with the engineers and planners for years, even prior to the beginning planning stages of this project.

Respectfully,
Catalina Vista Neighborhood Association

CC: Council Members
Grant Road Coalition

Board Members

Margaret Kish, Kelly Button, Hank Bogan, Zach Glicksman, Alison Hughes, Jo-Ann Gehrels, Jason Gutierrez, Dave Sunderman, Janet Fischer, Leighton Rockafellow, Kim Turk, Eric Erickson, Ellen Adelstein, Robert Miller

Founded in 1986, Catalina Vista Neighborhood Association is managed by an annually elected board comprised of neighborhood residents. The purpose of the neighborhood association is to preserve and protect the quality of life for our residents.