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Ms. Erika Pilcher
Regional Program Manager, Intermountain Region
National Park Service
U.S. Department of the Interior
Rivers, Trails & Conservation Assistance Program

Dear Ms. Pilcher,

Austin Outside is pleased to support the Travis County Parks Foundation's (TCPF) application for The National Park Service – Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance program to provide assistance in developing the Community Engagement component for the upcoming Travis County Parks Comprehensive Plan (formerly the Travis County Parks Master Plan).

Austin Outside champions vibrant and thriving outdoor places for all in Greater Austin. We're a coalition of 65 nonprofits and businesses who believe in the power of our collective impact.

We recognize the importance of community engagement in visioning, planning, and implementation of public projects. Austin Outside fully supported the successful Travis County bond election of November 2023, where voters authorized over \$276 million dollars for Travis County Parks land acquisition and park improvement projects. This community engagement effort will help guide future parkland acquisition and identify future park improvement projects.

Austin Outside will support the TCPF and Travis County Parks in their community engagement efforts for the Travis County Comprehensive Plan by publicizing meetings, sharing updates on social media, and encouraging our members to participate in public events and meetings.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ted Siff".

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Board Chair, Austin Outside