April 27, 2021

Chairman Peter DeFazio  
Ranking Member Sam Graves  
Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure  
US House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding of $968,000 for IndyGo Electric Vehicle Charging Stations in surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor is the Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation (IndyGo), and the project is located between the downtown Transit Center and the IndyGo main headquarters at 1501 W. Washington St., Indianapolis, IN 46222.

The funding is designated for four electric charging stations to be fully installed. These charging stations would provide electric charging to 60-foot BRT vehicles, necessitated by the expanded bus rapid transit system that is being built as a key element of the Marion County Transit Plan. The Red Line BRT system has been up and running since Fall 2019. The Purple Line is set to break ground Q2 of 2021 with completion in 2023. The Blue Line is scheduled for completion in 2025. All routes will utilize stations at these facilities.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to be beneficial. Transportation infrastructure is vital to the continued growth of Indianapolis. IndyGo has proven its commitment to reduction of greenhouse gas emissions while simultaneously investing in infrastructure needs for historically underserved neighborhoods.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

 André Carson  
Member of Congress