

January 7, 2019

Executive Director Tim Stewart Board of Directors E-470 Highway Authority 22470 E. 6<sup>th</sup> Parkway, Suite 100 Aurora, CO 80018

**RE:** E-470 Hazardous Material Route Designation

Dear Members of the Board and Mr. Stewart,

The purpose of this letter is to formally communicate the City of Commerce City's support for evaluating the designation of E-470 as a hazardous material route. With oil and gas operators looking at potential locations adjacent to E-470 within the city, this designation offers the opportunity to minimize the number and severity of potential conflicting transportation movements and risk on local arterials. The city believes any E-470 hazardous material route designation needs to be regional, extending beyond Interstates 25 and 76 to maximize local benefits.

The City believes advancing a criteria-driven review process will yield the necessary data to determine whether such a designation will improve safety and efficiency for transporting these materials as well as provide benefit to our local transportation network.

Please contact City Manager McBroom at 303-227-8814 with additional questions.

Sincerely,

Mayor Sean Ford City of Commerce City

cc: City Council

City Manager McBroom