Memorandum

DATE February 2, 2026

CITY OF DALLAS

TO Honorable Chair Stewart and Members of the Parks, Trails, and the Environment Committee

SUBJECT **North Texas Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Call for Projects Update**

This memorandum provides an update on the City of Dallas' submission to the North Central Texas Council of Governments' (NCTCOG) North Texas Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Call for Projects (CFP).

BACKGROUND

In August 2025, the NCTCOG opened the North Texas EV Infrastructure CFP to select public-sector properties for installation of Level 2 or Direct Current Fast Charge (DCFC) stations. Level 2 stations are common in commercial and public settings and can charge an electric vehicle battery to 80% in approximately 4 to 10 hours. This funding opportunity is available exclusively for projects on land owned by public entities, including local governments, transit agencies, school districts, and universities, with an emphasis on filling gaps in the existing charging infrastructure network. The program is supported by a $15 million award from the Federal Highway Administration's Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Community Program.

Eligible costs include:

- Charging and electrical equipment
- Construction and site improvements
- Operations and maintenance

Grant funding will cover up to 80% of initial deployment capital costs and up to 20% of operations and maintenance costs for Level 2 charging stations. Funding is provided on a reimbursement basis, with selected public agencies responsible for covering initial installation costs. Agencies are required to advance payment to the chosen vendor and will be reimbursed for eligible project costs.

NCTCOG's project eligibility framework uses a points-based scoring system to prioritize EV charging sites:

- **Access Gaps (up to 60 points):** Areas with insufficient existing charging infrastructure based on charger-to-vehicle ratios and community/economic development needs.
- **Potential Demand (up to 20 points):** Locations that support multimodal hubs, first- and last-mile connections, rideshare activity, or municipal/community fleets.
- **Public Engagement (up to 10 points):** Incorporates locations recommended by the public, such as parks, recreation centers, and schools.
- **Feasibility and Risk (up to 10 points):** Assesses project readiness and mitigation strategies.

- **Fatal Flaws (0 points):** Sites with significant issues, such as inadequate electrical capacity or flood risk, are eliminated from consideration.

Dallas' site selection approach followed a coordinated, step-by-step process that combined departmental input, data-driven analysis, and on-the-ground feasibility reviews. This process supported the City's Comprehensive Environmental and Climate Action Plan (CECAP) Goal 3, advancing access to sustainable, affordable transportation and the target of installing 1,500 EV charging outlets by 2030. OEQS began by convening with City departments to introduce the funding opportunity and gather preliminary feedback on priority sites. OEQS then screened candidate locations using findings from the 2024 EV Charging Infrastructure Siting Study. Site visits were conducted with NCTCOG's Kimley-Horn consultant team to assess technical and operational feasibility, and the list of sites was refined based on the feedback collected. Finally, draft applications were shared with departments to validate site details prior to submission, ensuring that selected locations were feasible, coordinated, and aligned with Citywide goals.

NEXT STEPS

NCTCOG released award recommendations for the North Texas EV Infrastructure CFP on December 8, 2025. The City of Dallas submitted an application with 16 City locations including recreation centers, libraries, and Dallas Love Field Airport. Of these, 10 sites have been recommended for funding, and four sites have been placed on a waitlist for potential future funding that the NCTCOG may receive.

City of Dallas Sites Recommended for Funding:

1. Hampton Illinois Branch Library
2. Pleasant Grove Branch Library
3. Juanita Craft Recreation Center
4. Thurgood Marshall Recreation Center
5. Janie C. Turner Recreation Center
6. Jaycee-Zaragoza Recreation Center
7. Lakewood Library
8. Renner Frankford Branch Library
9. Beckley-Saner Recreation Center
10. Preston Royal Branch Library

The 10 selected sites have a total estimated project cost of $645,600.

On January 8, 2026, the Regional Transportation Council reviewed and approved the award recommendations. The NCTCOG Executive Board is expected to approve the final sites in late January 2026. After approval, NCTCOG will begin executing interlocal agreements with awarded public agencies. Once the City of Dallas receives official notice of selected sites, the departments that own and operate these locations will determine the project's cost structure and feasibility before presenting the grant to City Council for official acceptance and approval. NCTCOG will also oversee the procurement of EV charging station vendors on behalf of participating entities.

If you have questions, or need additional information regarding this memo, please contact myself or Angela Hodges Gott, Director, Office of Environmental Quality and Sustainabilty at 214-670-1642 or at angela.hodgesgott@dallas.gov.

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