

Further, SRCC reviewed and discussed the light rail project plans for a bridge on Riverside (the “Bridge Plans”) which ATP is now preferring over the ground level option previously proposed by ATP. SRCC voted by resolution to oppose the Bridge Plans because their implementation would: **(i)** adversely impact the character and culture of one of the oldest and historically significant residential neighborhoods in the City; **(ii)** be much more intrusive than ground level rail which merely adds another type of vehicle to the mix; **(iii)** greatly negatively impact the use and enjoyment of residents’ homes due to loss of privacy from high rail cars/riders’ extensive line of sight from above, as well as noise and vibration from the rail; **(iv)** be more disruptive, costlier and time consuming to construct than implementing the ground level option; **(v)** create a darkened tunnel effect on the ground level below the bridge and decrease light into the neighborhood due to its massiveness; **(vi)** not comport with the stated aim of Project Connect to create sustainability and reduce the impact of transportation on air, water, and land, by adding a huge new infrastructure of concrete and steel, and **(vii)** have a devastating effect on home values on or near Riverside or in line of sight of the bridge.

On February 18, SRCC resolved that the City should prevent ATP from destroying the historic residential character and culture of Travis

Heights and doing irreparable harm to many of its homeowners by implementing the Bridge Plans.