

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR



May 18, 2026

The Honorable Sean Duffy
Secretary
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Re: Letter of Support for PIDP Grant Application, Main Dock Area Master Plan Development

Dear Secretary Duffy,

On behalf of the City of Mobile, I am pleased to offer our strong support for the Main Dock Area Master Plan Development and its application for funding through the U.S. Department of Transportation's Port Infrastructure Development Program.

The Port of Mobile is one of our city's greatest economic assets and a critical freight connection for the Gulf Coast and the national supply chain. Its continued success depends on practical, coordinated, and resilient infrastructure planning.

The Main Dock Area Master Plan will assess current conditions, forecast freight demand, evaluate multimodal access, and guide future port-related infrastructure investments. This work will help improve freight mobility, operational efficiency, and the state of good repair while ensuring future projects are properly sequenced and aligned with regional and national transportation needs.

The City strongly supports this effort because it reflects the kind of disciplined planning needed to keep major infrastructure assets competitive and reliable. The plan will also help address resiliency, sustainability, and risk reduction by evaluating asset vulnerabilities and preparing the Port for extreme weather events and other disruptions.

For these reasons, the City of Mobile respectfully urges USDOT to fund the Main Dock Area Master Plan. This project will help lay the groundwork for nationally significant infrastructure investments that deliver lasting public benefit for Mobile, the Gulf Coast, and the country.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Spiro', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Spiro N. Cheriogotis
Mayor