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Office of the Town Manager

April 15, 2014

Chairman and Members
Pima County Bond Committee
130 West Congress
Tucson, AZ 85701

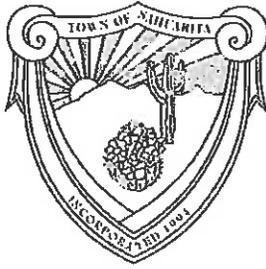
RE: Withdrawing PR278: River Park Acquisition and Development (\$6,000,000)

Pursuant to Pima County staff (Nancy Cole, Project Manager) recommendations to modify this request, the Town of Oro Valley is formally requesting to withdraw the tentatively approved \$6,000,000 request for River Park Acquisition and Development as noted below.

- Withdraw the Steam Pump Village to Catalina State Park request as the Regional Flood Control District is already working on a west bank (north) underpass that connects the new cross channel bridge under Oracle to connect to Catalina State Park.
- Withdraw the CDO/Big Wash confluence to First Avenue (along the west bank of the CDO) as this project is not bank protected and should be a project by the Regional Flood Control District.
- Tangerine Road to Rancho Vistoso Blvd (along east bank of Big Wash) project – we request Pima County include this in their segment of the River Park improvements that have been tentatively approved.

Sincerely,

Greg Caton
Town Manager



Town of Sahuarita

Office of the Mayor and Council

April 14, 2014

Mr. Chuck Huckelberry
Pima County Administrator
130 W. Congress Street, 10th Floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

Re: Town of Sahuarita Letter of Support for Sahuarita Community Branch Library and the Sahuarita Multi-Agency Community Service Facility

To: Pima County Bond Advisory Board Committee Chairman Hecker and
County Administrator, Chuck Huckelberry

Dear Mr. Huckelberry and Chairman Hecker:

On behalf of the Sahuarita Town Council, this letter will serve to show our support for two proposed projects in the upcoming 2015 Bond Election, submitted under separate cover by the Sahuarita Food Bank for a Sahuarita multi-agency, community service facility, and Pima County, for the Sahuarita Community Branch Library.

The Sahuarita Food Bank, presently co-located at the Good Shepherd Church in Sahuarita, serves an ever increasing number of 'at risk' individuals and households in the Sahuarita and southern Tucson area. Now into its third year of service, food pantry operations have rapidly outgrown the host facility's available space. A facility of 4,000 to 6,000 sq. ft. would allow service growth to meet projected needs. Up to 2,000 sq. ft. could be allocated to other community agencies with which the Sahuarita Food Bank is establishing collaborative partnerships for their establishment of satellite offices. The Sahuarita Food Bank is currently in the architectural and engineering phase for the project and hopes to collaborate with the Eller School of Management, University of Arizona to refine the needs assessments previously accomplished.

Sahuarita residents are currently served by a temporary, small branch library in Sahuarita that is not adequate for its intended purpose and the needs of our community. Located in Green Valley, the Joyner-Green Valley Branch Library is currently at capacity for the service it provides. As the Town of Sahuarita expands, especially towards the east, town residents will expect a library to be an integral part of their community. This would allow the Joyner-Green Valley Branch Library to focus its services for the residents of Green Valley and the new library in Sahuarita would serve the residents of our growing community and surrounding area.

We are pleased to offer our support for these two worthwhile, community based projects. We look forward to a favorable decision to see these projects approved and awarded funding in the 2015 Bond Election.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Duane Blumberg". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Duane Blumberg

Mayor



Date: April 11, 2014

**To: Pima County Bond
Advisory Committee Members**

From: Andrea Ibanez, President
Pima County Community Land Trust

Joe Boogaart
John Sundt
Gary Davidson
Rene Gastelum
Dan Sullivan
Tom Warne
Greg Wexler
Terri Hutts
Lawrence M. Hecker
Michael Lund
David Lyons
Edward D. Buster
Brian Flagg
Ted Prezelski
Carolyn Campbell
Kelly Gottschalk
Patricia Richardson
Wade McLean
Chris Sheafe
James G. Ward
Paul Diaz
Tom Dunn
Donald Chatfield



April 11, 2014

Lawrence M. Hecker, Jr., Chair
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
c/o Pima County Administrator's Office
130 W. Congress
Tucson AZ 85701

Dear Mr. Hecker,

Larry,

I am writing to you today on behalf of the Pima County Community Land Trust that was formed through the efforts of the City of Tucson, Pima County, and affordable homeownership advocates to create a non-profit entity in the greater Tucson community. Our unique type of homeownership is based on a shared equity model where our organization owns the land and the homeowner owns the house and rents the land. This model makes homeownership more affordable and the continuing relationship between the Pima County Community Land Trust and the homeowners ensures stewardship of the assets.

Since 2009, our efforts in conjunction with our partners have allowed for the purchase and rehabilitation of 80 homes in the community. These houses had previously been foreclosed and vacant; their rehabilitation and occupation has not just meant homeownership for many households, it has also provided stability to the neighborhoods where these homes are located.

In a broader sense, our organization supports the many forms of affordable housing – not just homeownership. Affordable housing can also mean ensuring that safe and sanitary rental housing is made available to all types of individuals in the community.

As the Pima County Bond Advisory Committee continues discussions about funding levels for the proposed upcoming bond election, I would urge the Committee to increase the funding for affordable housing projects from the proposed \$ 10 million to \$ 30 million. Affordable housing continues to be vital need that provides for economic stability of families and the prosperity of our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Andrea Ibanez", is written over the word "Sincerely,".

Andrea Ibanez
President

Cc: County Administrator Chuck Huckelberry
City Manager Richard Miranda
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee Members

PIMA COUNTY COMMUNITY LAND TRUST
801 W. Congress St.
Tucson, AZ 85745
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STATE COMMISSIONER
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PRESCOTT ARIZONA
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**Pima County Board Advisory Committee,
130 W. Congress
Tucson Arizona, 85701**

Arizona Amateur Softball Association (ASA) supports the "Pima County Softball Tournament & Recreation Park- Sports Park PR277".

Your revised Scope is outstanding. With 8 lighted softball fields at Sports Park, Arizona ASA would promise to bid on future ASA Girls Fast-Pitch National Championships to be administered by ASA. This would be a tremendous positive economical input in Pima County. The projected amount of teams participating on these 8 ball fields – 80 teams! Our Association would also love to promote and conduct other ASA activities such as Adult Slow-Pitch leagues (Men's, Women's, Seniors & Co-Ed), Adult Softball Leagues, Youth Softball Recreational Leagues, and Youth Slow & Fast-Pitch Invitational & Regional Tournaments.

With this outstanding recommended project, our Amateur Softball Association Staff could also organize and manage youth & adult volleyball, youth & adult flag-football, youth & adult soccer, and many other outdoor activities.

Arizona ASA can provide annual "Field Owners Liability Policy" for all activities conducted and administered by Arizona ASA Management. ASA has the Best Accident and Liability Insurance in the Country!

With Pima County having this Project approved through the upcoming Bond Election, these improvements to Sports Park will attract and improve overall tourism, and recognize and serve the county's citizens (Youth & Adult) in an excellent standard of benefits.

Sincerely,

**Don Fishel
Arizona ASA State Commissioner**



**Pima Natural Resource Conservation District
NRCS Plant Materials Center
3241 N. Romero Road
Tucson, AZ 85705**

March 18, 2014

To: Supervisor Bronson, Pima County Board of Supervisors;
Members of the Pima County Bond Advisory Committee; and
Mr. Chuck Huckelberry, Pima County Administrator

Re: Proposed Bond Project – Altar Valley Watershed Restoration Project (PR 262)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Pima Natural Resource Conservation District has worked for more than three decades in developing a floodplain restoration plan for the Altar Valley watershed. With a strategy of spreading water out across the floodplain in the Altar Valley, we can avoid repeating historic catastrophic flooding downstream as was experienced, for example, in 1983, 1993, and as recently as last summer. The Altar Valley Conservation Alliance (AVCA) has partnered with us in this endeavor since their inception in 1995.

The key challenge for the proposed project is to secure seed funding. The bond would provide that seed funding. We agree with the AVCA's assertions in their March 5, 2014 letter to you in their support of the proposed bond project (PR 262). While the AVCA and their partners have actively remedied erosion issues on tributaries to the wash, a major erosion control study for the floodplain is required in order to develop a plan to halt and reverse the ongoing down-cutting and head-cutting on the main stem of the Altar Wash, which over the last 114 years has already carved a trench 20 miles long, 20 feet deep and up to ¼ mile wide.

If the project is funded and completed, we anticipate the following benefits:

- Grassland and other wildlife habitat restoration
- Decreased frequency and intensity of downstream flooding in developed areas such as Marana, where the Altar /Avra drainages join the Rillito Wash and the Santa Cruz River.
- Reduced turbidity and improved water quality of downstream flows.
- Avoidance and reduction of flood damage risks and costs.
- Protection of the Los Robles Archaeological district that is presently threatened by head-cutting on the Santa Cruz River near the junction of the Rillito Wash and the Brawley Wash.
- Long-term enhancement of the water table throughout the Santa Cruz River Valley.
- Short-term enhancement of economic activity from matching funds and economic multipliers during the planning and construction phases project.
- Reversed erosion, improved wildlife habitat, and restored watershed health on and adjacent to Pima County's Maeveen Marie Behan Conservation Lands System holdings that are critical for meeting the needs of both the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan (SDCP) and the Multi-Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP).
- Significantly enhanced long-term effectiveness of Pima County's conservation system.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Cynthia P. Copping".

Cynthia P. Copping, Chairman

Pima Natural Resource Conservation District



**ORO VALLEY
HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

March 26, 2014

Chairman and Members
Pima County Bond Advisory Board Committee
130 West Congress
Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Chairman and Members,

The Oro Valley Historical Society provides unique opportunities for community and visitors of all ages, and propensity to experience first hand Town of Oro Valley rich and diverse heritage. Typically, the Society activities and programs are carried out at Town's Steam Pump Ranch Heritage Garden and the 1870's George Pusch House. The ranch welcomes thousands of visitors a year, including students and special groups. Centered in the heart of Steam Pump Ranch's historic core is the restored usable George Pusch House, where activities are carried out through docent tours, volunteers and keynote speakers. Historical Society maintains the George Pusch Historical Collection for research and interpretation, along with assisting the Town in providing curatorial services for important written, photographic and oral records relating to the Oro Valley area. Archaeological Interpretive tours, prehistory and history demonstrations at Steam Pump Ranch Heritage Garden integrates into Town's plan, and further provides community attraction.

Ongoing needs at Steam Pump Ranch can be an economic challenge for the Town. Each year many of structures that are still standing are rapidly deteriorating, and there is work to be done. The Procter/Leiber Residence is proposed to be restored and adaptively re-used for Procter/Leiber exhibits and other exhibits, offices, food service, and an optional gift shop. Carlo's House is proposed to be rehabilitated and adaptively re-used as a BBQ pavilion, storage, and a restroom. The former Chicken Coops are proposed to be stabilized and used for site storage and as an Outdoor market place for artists and vendors. The Tack Building, still under development is being used as a immediate storage facility for Historical Society's Collection and used by Parks and Rec. for site storage.

People come from all walks of life to experience a unique opportunity, to see first-hand way Steam Pump Ranch is Town of Oro Valley's true historical treasures. I hope that the SPR Bond project naturally moves forward, as it is equally beneficial for every involved party, thank you for your support and consideration.

Sincerely,

Warren Lazar
President
Oro Valley Historical Society
warren@ovhistory.org

Deseret Romero

From: alex viktora <alexviktora@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 03, 2014 6:52 PM
To: bondinfo
Subject: DO NOT PAVE TUCSON MOUNTAIN PARK
Attachments: CAP.Trail.Program.pdf; Entire overall CAP Loop.pdf

Mr. Hecker and Committee Members,

My name is Alex Viktora. I've lived in Tucson for just over three years.

I'm a native Arizonan, and have been an avid mountain biker since I was just a kid.

I've lived and worked and ridden my bike all over the west, and am now proud to call myself a Tucsonan. I relish any opportunity to share our many great trails with new friends and old. In particular, Tucson Mountain Park contains some of my favorite trails, and it's one spot where you can lose sight of the large city we all enjoy.

I've just received some incredibly disturbing news. I understand **Pima County wants to pave - yes, pave - Starr Pass trail from Richard Genser trailhead to the Cat Mountain trailhead on the other side of Starr Pass - 1.8 miles right through the Basin and the heart of Tucson Mountain Park.** (See Item 7 in CAP.Trail.Program.pdf)

The Explorer Trail, one of our most enjoyable and challenging pieces of hiking and mountain biking trail, is also targeted by this misguided and dreadful effort. (See Entire overall CAP Loop.pdf)

While I fully support the increased development of recreational trails, including paving urban trails to provide increased access for all, this expansion must be done in a responsible, targeted manner. Including untouched desert in these efforts, particularly those areas which are currently regarded as special mountain biking and hiking opportunities, is reckless and ignores the dedicated users of the current trail system, and it disregards their work put into these unique places over the years.

I urge you all to remove any area within Tucson Mountain Park from consideration from this bond proposal,

In addition, I urge you to not add any elements to this bond that affect currently existing, non-paved trail systems.

Thank you,

Alex Viktora
3111 East 4th Street #113
Tucson, AZ 85716

North Connectivity See enlarged map



CAP Trail Loop Projects:

- \$10.6M 31.5 miles - CAP Trail PCGAPS
- \$1.3M 1.6 miles - WB SCR El Rio Park to Avra Valley Road PCERAV
- \$2.7M 2.7 miles - EB SCR Twin Peaks to Avra Valley Road PCTHAY
- \$1.6M 3.4 miles - South side Avra Valley Road separated multi-use path PCAVRF
- \$1.8M 1.7 miles - EB SCR Avra Valley Road to Beard House PCAVBH
- \$5.1M 3.5 miles - Sarasota Trailhead to Starr Pass Trailhead PCSTWR & PCSTB
- \$6.2M 5.0 miles - Sarasota Trailhead to Starr Pass Rd via Explorer Trail

South Connectivity See enlarged map



North ↑



To: Pima County Bond Advisory Committee

Subject: BAJA Bond Proposal #137

Dear Honorable members of the Pima Bond Advisory Comm. (BAC):

The Santa Cruz Valley Bicycle Advocate Committee (SCVBAC) recommends that you approve the Bond Project #137 for continued development of the multi-use community recreation facility of the Conoa Preserve Community Park and the Chuck Catino Softball Complex. This project will continue the many years of partnerships with Pima County, private companies, and community volunteers to develop this recreation facility.

Over the past year local bicyclists volunteering with BAJA members and Pima County have developed a Fitness Loop Trail surrounding the property, and along with FICO have marked a future trail alignment to connect the park to the Anza Trail and the historic Hacienda de la Canoa Canoa.

The SCVBAC encourages the BAC to approve this public-private Bond Project #137 needed for community recreation.

Thank you for your consideration,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bill Adamson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Bill Adamson, Co-Chair"

Deseret Romero

From: Hormann,Rick <rick.hormann@prescott-az.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, April 08, 2014 4:25 PM
To: Nicole Fyffe
Cc: bondinfo; Valerie Samoy-Alvarado
Subject: Arizona ASA State JO Commissioner support of Bond project PR277

As the State JO Commissioner for Arizona ASA, I would also endorse this bond. Adding two additional fields to the existing facility will allow for hosting ASA National Championships along with all the other tournaments and activities Don spoke of in his letter.

The Sports Park is in a premier location for not only hosting local tournaments and activities, but also ideal for the teams in the Casa Grande, Sierra Vista and Greater Phoenix area. This is also a great location for National Tournament teams who would fly into Phoenix and take the highway straight into the ball park. With the hotels already in place, the Sports Park could be a prime location for ASA National Championships.

As many local teams are struggling to just find practice locations within city limits, having the ability to schedule practices at the Sports Park would also produce additional revenue. Arizona ASA alone has over 6,000 girls between the age of 6-18 playing fast pitch softball. Southern California and Nevada ASA also have a tremendous amount of players who would love to come and play in a facility such as the sports park too.

With the right manager at the Sports Park, this facility could be the gem of Pima County.

Rick Hormann
Arizona ASA State JO Commissioner

Dear Pima County Bond Committee,

Please Support the *Sunshine Mile Commercial District Corridor* bond item.

Not only is Broadway Boulevard an important corridor and gateway to Downtown Tucson it is a Mid-Century Marvel. This corridor is in desperate need of reinvestment.

I support Broadway because:

IT HAS A STRONG
SENSE OF PLACE
THAT IS
WHY WE MUST
SAVE B'WAY

Mitch Anderson

NAME 5024 E Golden Ranch Rd
ADDRESS 85734

Pima County Bond Committee
Pima County Governmental Center
130 West Congress Street
Tucson, Arizona 85701-1317

Dear Pima County Bond Committee,

Please Support the *Sunshine Mile Commercial District Corridor* bond item.

Not only is Broadway Boulevard an important corridor and gateway to Downtown Tucson it is a Mid-Century Marvel. This corridor is in desperate need of reinvestment.

I support Broadway because:

I WANT TO
PRESERVE THE
HISTORY OF THE AREA

Jude Cook
420 E YUON PL
TUCSON AZ

Pima County Bond Committee
Pima County Governmental Center
130 West Congress Street
Tucson, Arizona 85701-1317

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Not only is Broadway Boulevard an important corridor and gateway to Downtown Tucson it is a Mid-Century Marvel. This corridor is in desperate need of reinvestment.

I support Broadway because:

It has an important
piece of Ariz. history.
Let's keep Tucson
more of a community
by keeping it as locally
owned as we can. It's that if we

Patricia Katcher
430 E. 19th St.
Tucson AZ 85701

Pima County Bond Committee
Pima County Governmental Center
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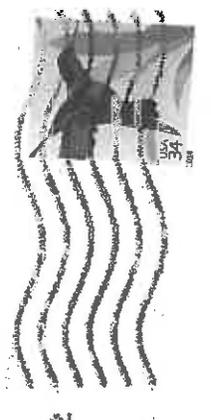
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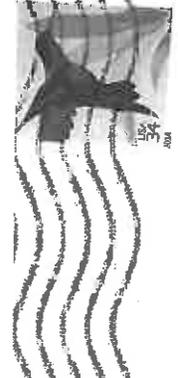
I support Broadway because:

The History of Broadway
is the History of Tucson.
Wonderful buildings that
were created each with
its unique style shows the
diversity of Tucson itself.

Edwarda Rolis
2110 W Dakota St
Tucson AZ 85746

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130 West Congress Street
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Dear Pima County Bond Committee,
 Please Support the **Sunshine Mile Commercial District Corridor**/bond item.
 Not only is Broadway Boulevard an important corridor and gateway to Downtown-Tucson it is a Mid-Century Marvel. This corridor is in desperate need of reinvestment.

I support Broadway because:

THIS IS MY NEIGHBORHOOD
AND WANT TO KEEP IT
THE WAY IT IS.
BEAUTIFUL & PEACEFUL

MARIA ARANGUREN
 NAME 1111 Valley Apts
 ADDRESS

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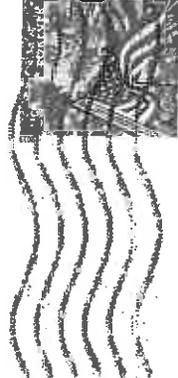


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I support Broadway because:

PLEASE KEEP BROADWAY
THE SAME

Augusto Alvarez
 NAME 2613 E. Helen St
 ADDRESS Tucson, AZ 85716



Dear Pima County Bond Committee,
 Please Support the **Sunshine Mile Commercial District Corridor**/bond item.
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I support Broadway because:

These are unique,
interesting shops &
restaurants, most
locally owned &
operated which is
good for the local economy.

Marissa Hay-William
 NAME 743 E. Placita Del Mirador
 ADDRESS 85718

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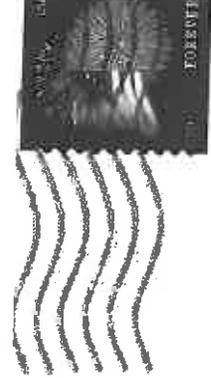
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I support Broadway because:

It is a vital business
district that does
not need to be destroyed
just in the name of
progress.

Federick A. Hawkins
 NAME 1808 N. Sherry Ave, Tucson
 ADDRESS 85712

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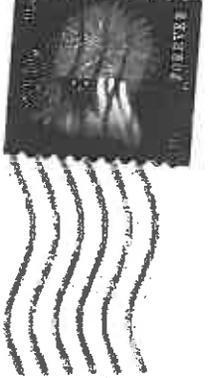


Dear Pima County Bond Committee,
 Please Support the **Sunshine Mile Phoenix AZ 852**
 District Corridor/ bond item.
 Not only is Broadway Boulevard an important
 corridor and gateway to Downtown-Tucson it is a
 Mid-Century Marvel. This corridor is in desperate
 need of reinvestment.

I support Broadway because:

It has a special meaning
 to Tucson. It needs to have
 the area surrounding the
 roadway look nice also. Please
 provide funds to keep the area
 nice. I walk in the area & it really
 needs help.

NAME Ben Ganes
 ADDRESS 11654 S John Harvey Ave
Vail, AZ 85641

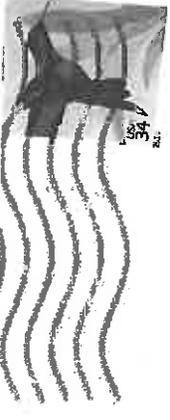


Dear Pima County Bond Committee,
 Please Support the **Sunshine Mile Phoenix AZ 852**
 District Corridor/ bond item.
 Not only is Broadway Boulevard an important
 corridor and gateway to Downtown-Tucson it is a
 Mid-Century Marvel. This corridor is in desperate
 need of reinvestment.

I support Broadway because:

the only is it
 a road I
 personally utilize
 a lot it would
 help with Tucson's
 appearance

NAME James Beard
 ADDRESS 2021 E 12th
Tucson, AZ 85719



Dear Pima County Bond Committee,
 Please Support the **Sunshine Mile Phoenix AZ 852**
 District Corridor/ bond item.
 Not only is Broadway Boulevard an important
 corridor and gateway to Downtown-Tucson it is a
 Mid-Century Marvel. This corridor is in desperate
 need of reinvestment.

I support Broadway because:

we need to support current
 businesses and bring new
 businesses in. We need
 to bring more attention
 to the area and what
 it could be.

NAME Kathleen June
 ADDRESS Siles E. Agave Vista Tucson 85750



Dear Pima County Bond Committee,
 Please Support the **Sunshine Mile Phoenix AZ 852**
 District Corridor/ bond item.
 Not only is Broadway Boulevard an important
 corridor and gateway to Downtown-Tucson it is a
 Mid-Century Marvel. This corridor is in desperate
 need of reinvestment.

I support Broadway because:

ITS NOT JUST
 ARCHITECTURE - ITS
 OUR HISTORY & OUR
 BUSINESS LIFE
 MUST IMPROVE.

NAME Joseph Maher, Jr. AIA
 ADDRESS Architect
4849 East Scarlett Street
Tucson, AZ 85711

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Dear Pima County Bond Committee,

Please Support the Sunshine Highway Bond Item.
PHOENIX/AZ 852

Not only is Broadway Boulevard an important
corridor and gateway to Downtown Tucson, it is a
Mid-Century Marvel. This corridor is in desperate
need of reinvestment.

I support Broadway because:

It's historical,

beautiful, and I live

here! It's my com-

munity. I live in

Broadway.

Thank you!

Linda Harris

9930 E. Markbaker

Tucson, AZ 85716

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130 West Congress Street
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