



March 19, 2024

City of Birmingham
Planning Engineering and Permits
ATTN: Hunter Garrison
Via Email: hunter.garrison@birminghamal.gov

Re: EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant: E-Bike Voucher Program

Mr. Garrison,

On behalf of Cawaco, we are pleased to support and promote the proposal submitted by the City of Birmingham to provide electronic bike transportation to area residents through the *E-Bike Voucher Program*. Putting E-Bikes in the hands of Birmingham residents provides a unique opportunity to not only reduce greenhouse gas emissions and protect our natural environment but also to enable vital transportation access to jobs, medical care, and other goods and services that many Birmingham residents struggle to find.

As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, Cawaco has a long history of helping coordinate and establish partnerships with local businesses, governmental agencies, and other organizations to make positive change in our region. If awarded, Cawaco would work with the City to explore potential partnerships for the implementation of an E-Bike voucher program.

Cawaco is dedicated to connecting Alabama communities with resources and partnerships that provide opportunities for increased economic development in an environmentally sustainable way. We are humbled to be a small part of the City of Birmingham's vision.

Sincerely,

Kellie Johnston
Executive Director
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VISION STATEMENT:

Vibrant communities that achieve balance between economic, human and natural resource needs.