

City of Tacoma

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Ordinance - 2015-2020 Capital Facilities Program Adoption - December 2, 2014 SUBJECT:

DATE: November 12, 2014

SUMMARY:

Approve the 2015-2020 Capital Facilities Program (CFP), an amendment of the Comprehensive Plan. This document replaces the previous Capital Facilities Program.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

The Capital Facilities Program is an important tool for outlining the strategic direction the City is pursuing in developing the community through capital projects. It aligns with Council's strategic priorities to:

- Foster neighborhood, community, and economic development vitality and sustainability.
- Plan for and improve public infrastructure that meets the transportation needs of all Tacoma residents and visitors.

BACKGROUND:

On a periodic basis, the City Council adopts a Capital Facilities Program that indicates existing and proposed capital facilities projects throughout the City of Tacoma. A public hearing was held and the CFP was reviewed by the Planning Commission and recommended for approval.

ISSUE:

The Growth Management Act requires a capital facilities element of the comprehensive plan that is to be periodically reviewed and updated. This element serves as a planning document for capital projects and enables the City to seek funding for potential projects.

ALTERNATIVES:

Council could choose not to approve the CFP; however, failure to approve an updated capital facilities program will lead to outdated compliance with the Growth Management Act and will hinder the City's ability to seek grant funding.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council approve the updated Capital Facilities Program as an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Capital Facilities Program is a planning document and does not commit the City to the expenditure of funds. Funds are allocated for capital projects that will be completed in a given biennium in the City's Biennial Budget.