



City of Tacoma

City Council Action Memorandum

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COPY: City Council and City Clerk
SUBJECT: Resolution – Setting Public Hearing Date for the Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program – May 7, 2024
DATE: April 24, 2024

SUMMARY AND PURPOSE:

A resolution setting Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at approximately 5:15 p.m., as the date for a public hearing before the City Council for the purpose of adopting the draft Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2024 and 2025-2030.

BACKGROUND:

This Department’s recommendation is based on Section 35.77.010 of the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) that provides that the legislative body of each city and town prepare and adopt a comprehensive transportation program for the ensuing six calendar years and annually thereafter pursuant to one or more public hearings, prepare and adopt a revised and extended comprehensive transportation program, and each one-year extension and revision thereof will be filed with the Secretary of Transportation of the State of Washington. Section 35.77.010 of the RCW further provides that each city will include in their comprehensive transportation program how they intend to expend the revenues for non-motorized transportation purposes.

The City adopted the Transportation Master Plan (TMP) in December 2015, which includes a prioritized list of transportation projects. The adoption of the TMP included extensive citywide community outreach, including attendance at neighborhood festivals and clean-ups, and two public hearings. The proposed list of projects to be added to the draft Program supports the goals and policies, as well as network priorities outlined in the TMP.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT/ CUSTOMER RESEARCH:

To date in 2024, staff provided presentations to the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee on the Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program amendment process and timeline on February 14, 2024 and the full draft Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2024 and 2025-2030 on March 27, 2024. Staff also provided presentations to the Transportation Commission on the Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program amendment process and timeline on February 21, 2024 and on the proposed list of projects to be added to, removed from, or consolidated with other projects in the draft Program on March 20, 2024.

2025 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

Equity and Accessibility:

This resolution sets the date for a public hearing before the City Council. The public hearing provides residents with the opportunity to comment on planned transportation programs and projects that are vetted for consistency with the Transportation Master Plan, which includes mobility for all modes and abilities with active transportation as the priority.



Civic Engagement: *Equity Index Score:* Moderate Opportunity

Elected officials, boards, commissions, and volunteer leadership will reflect the diversity of the Tacoma community. Increase the percentage of residents who believe they are able to have a positive impact on the community and express trust in the public institutions in Tacoma.

Explain how your legislation will affect the selected indicator(s).

A public hearing provides residents the opportunity to learn about and testify on the draft Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2024 and 2025-2030.

ALTERNATIVES:

Alternative(s)	Positive Impact(s)	Negative Impact(s)
1. According to RCW 35.77.010, the draft Program must be adopted no later than July 1 st of each year. The public hearing can be scheduled for another date; however, that will delay adoption.	Delaying the adoption of the draft Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2024 and 2025-2030 would allow for the planning document to be more in alignment with current or proposed funding.	Delaying the adoption of the draft Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2024 and 2025-2030 may result in the loss or delay of State and Federal grant funding, and project delivery.

EVALUATION AND FOLLOW UP:

This resolution sets the date for a public hearing before the City Council. Testimony will inform the draft Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2024 and 2025-2030 that will be presented to City Council at a later date.

STAFF/SPONSOR RECOMMENDATION:

The Public Works Department recommends City Council approve this request to set Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at approximately 5:15 p.m., as the date for a public hearing before the City Council for the purpose of adopting the draft Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2024 and 2025-2030.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.