

City of Tacoma

City Council Action Memorandum

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SUBJECT: Ordinance - Adoption of the Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program

- June 8, 2021

DATE: May 12, 2021

SUMMARY AND PURPOSE:

An ordinance adopting the draft Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2021 and 2022-2027.

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, with amendments adopted in June 2018, 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:

Staff provided a presentation to the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee on the proposed list of projects to be added to, removed from, or consolidated with other project in the draft program on April 14, 2021 and on the full draft program on April 28, 2021. Staff also provided a presentation to the Transportation Commission on the proposed list of projects to be added to, removed from, or consolidated with other projects in the draft program on February 17, 2021 and on the full draft program on April 21, 2021. The Transportation Commission reviews the draft program for consistency with the Transportation Master Plan.

2025 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

Equity and Accessibility:

This ordinance provides the City with an opportunity to implement the Transportation Master Plan that prioritizes mobility for all modes and abilities with active transportation as the priority.



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Livability: *Equity Index Score*: High Opportunity

Improve access and proximity by residents of diverse income levels and race/ethnicity to community facilities, services, infrastructure, and employment.

Decrease the percentage of individuals who are spending more than 45 percent of income on housing and transportation costs.

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

The draft Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2021 and 2022-2027 was developed in concert with the Transportation Master Plan vision that Tacoma is a sustainable community with many drivers, residents, businesses, and visitors who have various transportation priorities. The City is strategic in how it plans its transportation system with an emphasis on carrying the people and goods that foster Tacoma's culture, character, and competitiveness. The transportation system offers multimodal travel options that provide safe access for all users and neighborhoods that encourage healthy living and protect the environment. The projects and programs included in the draft Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2021 and 2022-2027 focus on being a partner, protecting the community, providing mobility for all, striving for fiscal, environmental and social sustainability, leveraging programs and services, and linking to land use.

ALTERNATIVES:

Alternative(s)	Positive Impact(s)	Negative Impact(s)
1. According to Section 35.77.010	1. Delaying the adoption of the	1. Delaying the adoption of the
of the RCW), the draft program	draft Six-Year Comprehensive	draft Six-Year Comprehensive
must be adopted no later than	Transportation Improvement	Transportation Improvement
July 1st of each year. The	Program Amended 2021 and	Program Amended 2021 and
ordinance can be scheduled for	2022-2027 would allow for the	2022-2027 may result in the
another date; however, that will	planning document to be more	loss or delay of State and
delay adoption.	in alignment with current or	Federal grant funding, and
	proposed funding.	project delivery.
2. City Council can recommend	2. Making changes to the draft	2. Making changes to the draft
changes to the draft Six-Year	Six-Year Comprehensive	Six-Year Comprehensive
Comprehensive Transportation	Transportation Improvement	Transportation Improvement
Improvement Program	Program Amended 2021 and	Program Amended 2021 and
Amended 2021 and 2022-2027.	2022-2027 would allow for the	2022-2027 may result in the
	planning document to be more	delay of adoption that may
	in alignment with City Council	result in the loss or delay of
	priorities, current funding, or	State and Federal grant
	proposed funding.	funding.

EVALUATION AND FOLLOW UP:

The status of projects funded and infrastructure improvements completed will be tracked. This can be compared to the same data collected each year so that changes overtime can be observed and future Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Programs can be updated.



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STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

The Public Works Department recommends City Council adopt the draft Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2021 and 2022-2027.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Draft Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2021 and 2022-2027.
- Draft Funding Detail Report for New and Removed Projects for the Draft Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2021 and 2022-2027.