



Transportation Commission Study Session

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TO: Chair Stash and Members of the Transportation Commission

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SUBJECT: Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Annual Update (2027-2032)

DIRECTION REQUESTED

- Action
- Discussion
- Information

On May 14, 2026, the Transportation Commission will host a public hearing and will be asked to make a recommendation to the City Council for adoption of the City of Bellevue 2027-2032 TIP. The City Council is scheduled to take action on the TIP update on June 9, 2026.

BACKGROUND AND INFORMATION

State law (RCW 35.77.010) requires all local jurisdictions to annually adopt a six-year program of transportation improvements, known as the Local TIP, by the end of June each year. On April 24, 2025, the Transportation Commission hosted an in-person public hearing with a virtual option via Zoom and recommended adoption of the current 2026-2031 Local TIP. On June 3, 2025, the City Council adopted the current TIP (Resolution No. 10514).

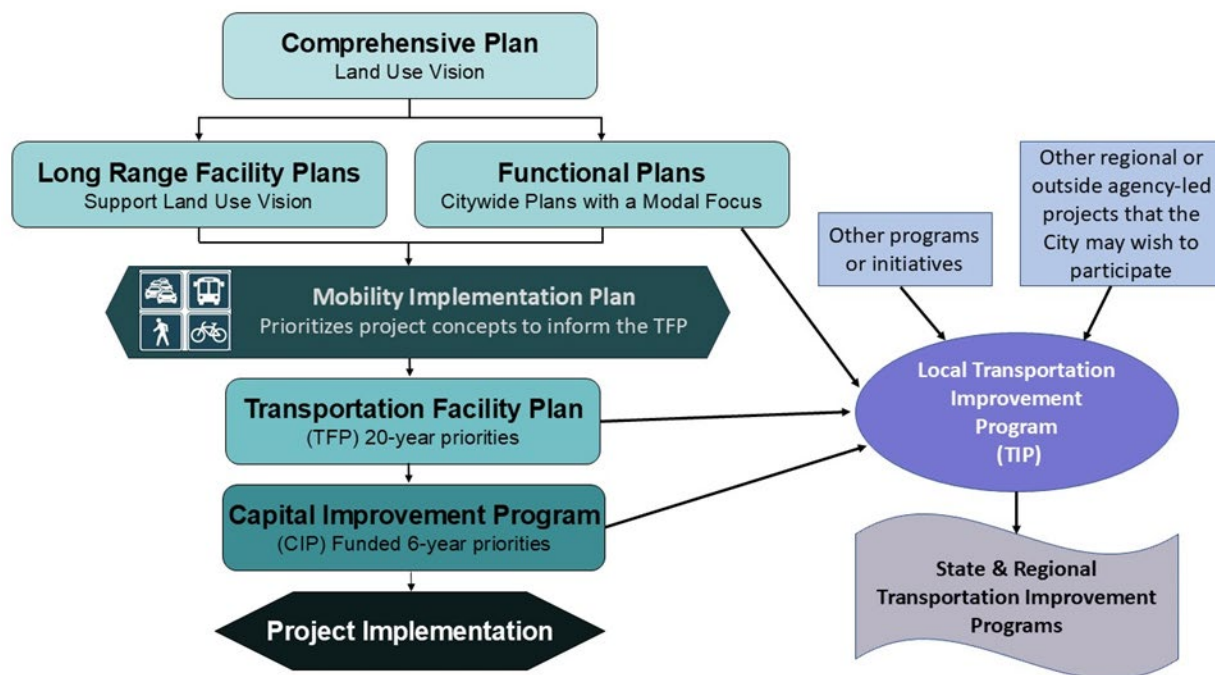
The six-year Local TIP serves as an inventory of projects and a rough work plan for the development of local transportation systems and, as such, represents an important planning component under the state Growth Management Act. The Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) and Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) use Local TIPs as a tool for coordinating the transportation programs of local jurisdictions with those of regional agencies. PSRC also monitors Local TIPs for projects of regional significance (to be modeled for Air Quality

conformity) and projects supported by federal funds. These projects are incorporated into the Regional TIP, which is then forwarded for inclusion in the State TIP.

For the City of Bellevue, the primary importance of the Local TIP is that, in most instances, projects must be included on a Local TIP to be eligible for funding from state and federal grant programs. Because Local TIPs are not revenue constrained, like Bellevue’s Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Plan and Transportation Facilities Plan (TFP), the city can include projects and programs the city would implement within the 6-year timeframe if the funding and resources were available. Local TIPs then, by definition, represent a comprehensive listing of projects and programs deemed necessary to ensure a balanced investment in the City’s multimodal transportation system.

Figure 1 illustrates the relationship between the TIP, the Capital Improvement Program, and the Transportation Facilities Plan.

Figure 1



Recommended City of Bellevue 2027-2032 TIP

The preliminary recommended 2027-2032 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) was introduced to the Transportation Commission on February 12, 2026. Staff reviewed with the Commission recommended project additions (10), deletions (30), and modifications to the list of projects in the current 2026-2031 TIP. The Commission agreed to offer the recommended 2027-2032 TIP project list as the basis for a mandated public hearing on the City's Local TIP update (see Attachments 1 and 2). Since the February 12 meeting, staff have identified two additional projects to be added to this TIP update (details below).

Attachment 1 is the project list that comprises the recommended City of Bellevue 2027-2032 Local TIP update. All projects fall within one of four color-coded categories, or sections, as described below:

- Section I** TIP Reference Nos. 1-42a: Uncompleted CIP Projects (included in the Adopted 2025-2030 Capital Improvement Program Plan – full or partial funding secured)
- Section II** TIP Reference Nos. 43-82: TFP Projects (unfunded projects included in the Adopted 2026-2045 Transportation Facilities Plan)
- Section III** TIP Reference Nos. 83-108: Other unfunded local projects identified and scoped by completed Alternative Analyses and Planning or Pre-design Studies (may be considered for inclusion in the next TFP update)
- Section IV** TIP Reference Nos. 109-113: Regional or Outside Agency-led projects in which the city may choose to participate financially

Beyond what was shared with the Commission at the meeting on February 12, 2026, staff are recommending two additional CIP projects be added to the 2027-2032 Local TIP, as follows:

- One CIP program project (TIP No. 31a) is recommended to be added as it is a current grant candidate project.
- One CIP project (TIP No. 35) is recommended to be added as it is a previously removed CIP project that still has elements remaining to be built and is still an active project. It was previously thought to be finished in 2025 and was removed from the 2026-2031 TIP. The project is also a 2026 grant candidate.

The project costs listed in the “Project Funding Categories” columns of the attachment represent, in most cases, the actual level of funding budgeted or estimated to be needed by the city during the six-year timeframe of the Local TIP. Because the Local TIP is not revenue constrained, project costs are given one of two designations:

1. Secured Funding. Projects with secured funding have local or other sources of funding allocated to support full or partial project implementation.

2. Unsecured Funding. This designation reflects the portion of project costs that have no dedicated source of funding. Projects with unsecured funding at any level are included on the list for planning purposes should funding become available within the six-year timeframe.

REQUESTED ACTION

1. Staff requests the Transportation Commission approve a motion to recommend that the City Council adopt the City of Bellevue 2027-2032 Transportation Improvement Program.
2. Staff requests the Transportation Commission approve the transmittal memorandum that is attached for your consideration (see Attachment 4). Typically for this action, a Commission representative need not be present in person to transmit the recommendation to Council.

NEXT STEPS

TIP update timeline:

- June 9, 2026 – City Council reviews and adopts the Recommended 2027-2032 TIP.
- June 30, 2026 – Formatting and submittal of the adopted 2027-2032 TIP to PSRC and WSDOT.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Recommended City of Bellevue 2027-2032 Transportation Improvement Program Project List
2. Recommended City of Bellevue 2027-2032 Transportation Improvement Program Project Maps
3. Projects Recommended to be Deleted from the current 2026-2031 Transportation Improvement Program Project list
4. Draft Transportation Commission Recommendation Transmittal Memorandum