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# Transportation Commission Study Session

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**SUBJECT:** Transportation Facilities Plan Update—Public Outreach

### DIRECTION REQUESTED

- Action (Future)
- Discussion/Direction
- Information

On March 27, staff will continue discussion of the Transportation Facilities Plan (TFP) update with the Transportation Commission. The primary purpose of this session will be to share the results of the public outreach. Public comment is one consideration in the process to develop a preliminary prioritized TFP project list. The topic is for information only, no Commission action is needed.

### BACKGROUND

The Transportation Facilities Plan (TFP) is required and adopted pursuant to the Bellevue City Code ([Title 22, Development Code](#)). The TFP serves as the City’s intermediate-range transportation capital facility planning document. The TFP is revenue constrained, meaning the cost of projects included in the 12-year TFP must balance against anticipated revenues (i.e., only projects that the city can reasonably expect to afford can be included). The current [2022-2033 TFP](#) was adopted by the City Council on July 11, 2022.

The 2026-2037 TFP update process started with a briefing to the Commission on September 12, 2024. Additional engagement with the Commission occurred at subsequent meetings:

- October 10, the Commission reviewed eight TFP projects that are fully funded in the City's [6-year Capital Investment Program Plan](#) (CIP); these projects will be advanced into the new 2026-2037 TFP by default (the City Council has already decided to fund them).
- December 12, the Commission reviewed 25 projects included in the City's Impact Fee program. These included 19 projects in the current 2022-2033 TFP and six completed projects, all of which add(ed) vehicular capacity to support development (growth). The completed projects remain on the impact fee project list as the city is still paying the cost of financing. Also reviewed at the December meeting were five regional projects, adding or enhancing connections from the city street network to regional highways (SR 520 and I-405).
- January 23, the Commission reviewed the 27 bicycle projects in the current candidate list.
- February 12, the commission reviewed the score-ranking of projects, as evaluated per the [Mobility Implementation Plan](#) frameworks for vehicular, pedestrian and bicycle mode projects.

## **INFORMATION**

An online TFP Open House and associated survey and interactive project map was activated on [Engaging Bellevue](#) on February 25. In-person Open House events were held at Crossroads Mall (February 25, 11am-1pm) and City Hall (February 26, 5-6:30pm). The online open house and in person events were publicized via multiple channels, including an article in the February edition of the City's [Neighborhood News](#) e-newsletter, postings on NextDoor and on the City's accounts on Facebook and X and several email listservs maintained by the city, including *Community Development News* and *Neighborhood Leadership* (5630 recipients). Attendance at the in-person events was low (18 people). Participation in the online forum was more robust, with 253 unique visitors and over one hundred comments on projects. At the Commission meeting on March 27, staff will discuss highlights of the input received. A full compilation of the public input received is in the 2026-2037 TFP Public Outreach Report, included as Attachment 3 to this memo. Also attached is the current 2026-2037 TFP Candidate Project List and map (Attachments 1 and 2), including revisions to some of project descriptions (shown using markups).

## **NEXT STEPS**

Staff are working to develop and update cost estimates for candidate TFP projects, with focus on projects that are fully scoped and the strongest candidates for allocation of implementation funding in the new 2026-2037 TFP.

TFP project staff are also working with staff in the City Finance and Asset Management Department to develop a forecast of funding for the 12-year period of the 2026-2037 TFP. The funding forecast is important to the TFP update process because the TFP can only include projects (or phases of projects) for which funding is expected to be available in the TFP period. Staff are hopeful this funding forecast will be available to share with the Commission at the April 24 meeting.

Additional work underway is the development of a single consolidated preliminary prioritized project list, inclusive of all project types. The starting point for this exercise is the score-ranked lists for the vehicular, pedestrian and bicycle projects, shared with the Commission on February 13. Other considerations in developing this consolidated list will include City Council priorities, public input that we have received, extent of development/investment to date in a project, opportunity to tie in with projects led by others (e.g., City of Bellevue Utilities Dept, Sound Transit, WSDOT, private development, etc.). The project cost estimates and overall funding forecast will be additional considerations to developing this single consolidated preliminary prioritized project list. TFP project staff are hopeful this list, and the process used to develop it, will be ready for sharing and discussion with the Commission at the May 8 meeting.

If you have questions or need additional information prior to the meeting, please contact Michael Ingram at (425) 452-4166 or [mingram@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:mingram@bellevuewa.gov) or Kristi Oosterveen at (425-452-4496) or [koosterveen@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:koosterveen@bellevuewa.gov).

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. 2026-2037 Preliminary TFP Candidate Project List, with updates to project descriptions
2. 2026-2037 Preliminary TFP Candidate Project Map
3. 2026-2037 TFP Public Outreach Report
4. 2026-2037 TFP Update Timeline - PLANNED