

City of
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Transportation Commission Study Session

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SUBJECT: Curb Management Plan – Draft CMP Document

DIRECTION REQUESTED

Action (Anticipated action May 25)

Discussion/Direction

Information

The Transportation Commission has herein received a link to the draft Curb Management Plan (CMP) document. The draft CMP is a linked attachment in this memo and was also posted publicly onto the project webpage on April 7, 2023. Additionally, links to each of the four appendix documents are included in this memo.

The draft CMP document compiles Transportation Commission work on components, concepts, and recommendations for curb management that was completed in study sessions throughout 2022 and 2023. All concepts covered in the draft CMP have been previously discussed – however, some maps, graphics, and details have been updated based on feedback received from the Transportation Commission and the community.

Overview and discussion of the draft CMP document is planned for the May 11, 2023 Transportation Commission study session, ahead of anticipated Commission recommendation of the CMP document and the transmittal memo to the City Council on May 25, 2023. A City Council study session to review the CMP is tentatively scheduled for July 10, 2023. Staff anticipates receiving direction from Council at that time to prepare an ordinance for adoption at a future Council meeting.

TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION REVIEW

Each of the topic areas that are documented as “chapters” in the Curb Management Plan has been thoroughly discussed at Transportation Commission study sessions.

On May 25, 2023, staff will seek a Commission vote to recommend approval of the CMP document and to transmit the CMP to the City Council. A draft transmittal letter is attached for your review in preparation for approval on May 25. Please share any minor typos or punctuation errors with staff (Chris and Kevin) off-line to allow for focused discussion on other elements.

CMP OUTLINE

The table below summarizes the CMP chapters with brief descriptions of each section.

Chapter Title	Chapter Description
Executive Summary	This is a high-level summary of the Curb Management Plan. It synthesizes project background, policy development, concepts, practices, next steps, and references to appendices. Key graphics are included.
Introduction	Background on curb management. This chapter describes the importance of the curb in a Bellevue context; reviews existing conditions, public engagement activities, and policy development details.
Curb Supply	This chapter focuses on the supply-side concept of curb management, with most of the focus on the Curb Typology. Curb types, curb uses, and inputs for Typology are identified. Existing curb inventory is compared to future curb type intent within the study area through maps, graphics, and illustrations. This section also describes how the Typology can be used.
Curb Demand	This chapter focuses on the demand-side concept of curb management, with most attention on curb pricing, enforcement, and program oversight. Background describes how pairing pricing and robust enforcement is an effective demand management tool for many curb uses, including for on-street parking and permitted uses of the curb. Recommendations for approaches are identified.
Curbside Practices	This chapter focuses on operational concepts and recommendations for curb management. This will summarize details within the Curbside Practices Guide (Appendix A). Practices within the guide will be the basis for future projects after CMP completion. This section also includes a high-level prioritization roadmap for future projects.
Curb Pilot Roadmap	This chapter focuses on pilot projects for potential near-term action within the curbside environment. This will summarize details within the Curb Pilot Roadmap (Appendix B). Pilot project recommendations reference principles and best practices for deployment, including staffing & funding needs, data requirements, and oversight authority.
Looking Forward	This chapter focuses on next steps beyond the immediate completion of the CMP, including considerations for staffing, funding, equity, and programmatic decision-making to ensure progress continues long-term.

FEEDBACK RECEIVED

Since publishing the draft CMP in early April, the project team has received public feedback on some elements and recommendations. Specific language in the CMP will be updated to reflect on and respond to certain feedback for clarity. Recommended updates to the CMP are identified in the table below:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Chapter</u>	<u>Description</u>
Curb Management Plan	Curb Supply	Added language to clarify when analysis and public notification will be needed when a curbside travel lane is proposed to be changed to a different use.
Curb Management Plan	Curb Supply	Minor updates to Curb Typology maps for accuracy.
Curb Management Plan	Looking Forward	Added language to clarify that additional engagement and study is needed to advance various practices and concepts.
Curb Management Plan	All	Clarify that the terms “Street Cafes” and “Al Fresco Dining” are interchangeable in the context of CMP.
Appendix A	RG.1 – Streamline and digitize curbside regulations	Add strategy to conduct study that would evaluate sight line requirements in the Urban Core.
Appendix A	ST.2 – Refine and scale residential parking programs	Add “current RPZ permit holders” as priority stakeholders. Explore certain Urban Core neighborhoods as future RPZ zones.
Appendix B	P.5 – API Standardization through CDS	Further clarify requirements and conditions of API usage during pilots.

NEXT STEPS

On May 25, 2023, staff will seek a Transportation Commission vote to approve the Curb Management Plan and approve a letter of transmittal to the City Council. Please feel free to contact me prior to the meeting if you have questions about the agenda materials.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Linked here: [Draft final Curb Management Plan](#) document
2. Linked here: Appendix A – [Curbside Practices Guide](#)
3. Linked here: Appendix B – [Curb Pilot Roadmap](#)
4. Linked here: Appendix C – [Public Engagement Summary](#)
5. Linked here: Appendix D – [Existing Conditions Report](#)
6. Draft transmittal letter to City Council