

# **Transportation Commission Study Session**

DATE:April 7, 2022TO:Chair Marciante and Members of the Transportation CommissionFROM:Kristi Oosterveen, Capital Facilities Planning & Programming Manager,<br/>425-452-4496, koosterveen@bellevuewa.govSUBJECT:2023-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Update

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The recommended 2023-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) was introduced to the Transportation Commission on March 10, 2022. Staff reviewed with the Commission recommended additions, deletions, and modifications to the list of projects in the current 2022-2027 TIP. The Commission agreed to offer the recommended 2023-2028 TIP project list as the basis for a mandated public hearing on the City's Local TIP update (see Attachments 1 and 2).

On April 14, 2022, the Transportation Commission will host a public hearing and will be asked to make a recommendation to the City Council for adoption of the recommended City of Bellevue 2023-2028 TIP. The City Council is scheduled to take action on the TIP update on May 16, 2022.

## **BACKGROUND AND INFORMATION**

At the February 10 Commission meeting, staff presented an overview of the TIP, the repeal of the Comprehensive Transportation Project List (CTPL) from the Comprehensive Plan (Ordinance 6632, December 13, 2021) and the status of the CTPL projects that are now being incorporated into the 2023-2028 TIP.

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 8, 2021, the Transportation Commission hosted a virtual public hearing via Zoom and

recommended adoption of the current 2022-2027 Local TIP. On May 10, 2021, the City Council adopted the current TIP (Resolution No. 9932).

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 Investment Program (CIP) plan and Transportation Facilities Plan (TFP), the city can include projects and programs we would implement within the 6-year timeframe if the funding was available. Local TIPs then, by definition, is a comprehensive list of projects and programs deemed necessary to ensure a balanced investment in the City's multimodal transportation system.

## Recommended City of Bellevue 2023-2028 TIP

Attachment 1 is the project list that comprises the recommended City of Bellevue 2023-2028 Local TIP update. All projects fall within one of four color-coded categories, or sections, as described below:



Staff reviewed the recommended 2023-2028 Local TIP with the Commission at the meeting on March 10, 2022, with updates as follows:

There are 24 new projects recommended to be added to the TIP. The memo for the March 10 meeting stated 19 new projects, however, the subprojects for TIP No. 22, Neighborhood Congestion Management project were inadvertently not counted but were presented at the meeting. The city also has an outside funding opportunity for a project within TIP No. 5, Minor Capital – Signals and Lighting, so a sub-project was created for the location. The delineation of the new projects is as follows:

- Nine projects (TIP Nos. 4a, 5a, 6, 22a, 22b, 22c, 22d, 28a, and 29f) are new Capital Investment Program (CIP) projects. These projects would be added to Section I of the TIP,
- 13 projects (TIP Nos. 35, 46, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, and 78) are preliminary 2022-2033 Transportation Facilities Plan (TFP) projects. These projects would be added to Section II of the TIP,
- One project (TIP No. 105) is a remaining Comprehensive Transportation Project List project not previously accounted for in the TIP. This project would be added to Section III of the TIP; and
- One project (TIP No. 110) is a new regional project. This project would be added to Section IV of the TIP.

There are 18 projects recommended to be removed from the current 2022-2027 TIP (Attachment 3):

- One CIP project from Section I is projected to be substantially completed in 2022,
- Six TFP projects from Section II have been superseded by other projects and processes,
- One project from Section III as it is not part of any existing long-range plan,
- Six projects from Section III are prior CTPL projects that have been superseded by other projects and processes,
- Three projects from Section III are projected to be completed in 2022, and
- One project from Section IV is being superseded by a new project.

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**

Staff requests the Transportation Commission approve a motion to recommend that the City Council adopt the Recommended City of Bellevue 2023-2028 Transportation Improvement Program.

A draft Transportation Commission transmittal memorandum is attached for your consideration (see Attachment 4). Typically for this action, a Commission representative need not be present to transmit the recommendation to Council.

#### NEXT STEPS

TIP update timeline:

- May 16, 2022 City Council reviews and adopts the Recommended 2023-2028 TIP.
- June 30, 2022 Formatting and submittal of the adopted 2023-2028 TIP to PSRC and WSDOT.

#### ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Recommended City of Bellevue 2023-2028 Transportation Improvement Program Project List
- 2. Recommended City of Bellevue 2023-2028 Transportation Improvement Program Project Map
- 3. Projects Recommended to be Deleted from the current 2022-2027 Transportation Improvement Program Project list
- 4. Draft Transportation Commission Recommendation Transmittal Memorandum