



Bellevue

Transportation Commission

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TO: Bellevue City Council
FROM: Transportation Commission
SUBJECT: 2022-2033 Transportation Facilities Plan (TFP)

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Pursuant to Bellevue City Code Chapter 22.16, the Bellevue Transportation Commission is pleased to present to the City Council our proposed 2022-2033 Transportation Facilities Plan (TFP) and impact fee project list for your consideration. The TFP document lists the transportation improvements planned for the City of Bellevue over the next twelve years.

Starting in September 2020, we engaged with the public and Transportation Department staff in evaluating existing and candidate projects for inclusion in this TFP update. We presented our preliminary list of recommended 2022-2033 TFP projects to the Council on January 3, 2022. Our transmittal memorandum from that meeting is attached here and describes the rationale for the selected projects and the areas of improvement that the projects will address.

Following the January discussion with Council, staff completed a SEPA checklist for the proposed 2022-2033 TFP and a Determination of Non-Significance was issued on April 28. The Commission voted on **May 12** to recommend the 2022-2033 TFP to the Council.

Concurrent with this update of the TFP, the Commission worked to develop the Mobility Implementation Plan (MIP). For this TFP, staff and the Commission used the new MIP transportation performance metrics to assess the package of transportation improvements in terms of the pedestrian system, bicycle system, transit mobility and vehicular mobility.

The new MIP framework also includes a process for project identification, selection and prioritization. This element was developed later in the MIP process and was *not* used for this TFP update cycle. The TFP is updated every 2-3 years and the next update will be the opportunity to fully integrate the new MIP framework into the TFP process.

We recommend the adoption of the proposed 2022-2033 Transportation Facilities Plan. We would be pleased to discuss our recommendations and/or any part of the 2022-2033 TFP update process in more detail at a City Council Study Session.

If you have questions about our recommendation or the TFP update process in general, please contact, Loreana Marciante, Transportation Commission Chair or Mike Ingram, Senior Transportation Planner, at 425-452-4166 or mingram@bellevuewa.gov.

Attachment

Attachment A: Preliminary 2022-2033 Transportation Facilities Plan Project list communication to Council (January 3, 2022)

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DATE: October 28, 2021
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We are pleased to present to you our Preliminary 2022-2033 TFP Project recommendations. Starting in fall 2020, we engaged with Transportation Department staff and the public to evaluate existing and candidate projects for inclusion in the TFP update. A project list describing our preliminary TFP project and revenue allocation recommendations is attached for your consideration, along with a map showing the project locations (Attachments 1 and 2).

We recommend this Preliminary TFP Project List, which we approved on October 28th, for advancement to the next stage in the TFP update process, which involves scoping and conducting the appropriate programmatic environmental review process. No formal Council action is requested at this time, but we wish to confirm that the Council is comfortable carrying our recommended Preliminary 2022-2033 TFP Project List forward in the TFP update process. In mid-2022, following the environmental review, we will return with a formal recommendation to adopt the final 2022-2033 Transportation Facilities Plan.

Our development of the attached list of projects included a thorough consideration of current transportation system needs as well as the localized and system-wide benefits provided by various candidate projects. We utilized a set of evaluation criteria to rank candidate projects based on needs and relative benefit in the categories of safety, vehicle level of service, transit service/facility enhancement, pedestrian & bicycle system improvement, and the potential for attracting outside grant funding. And we solicited public input via the Engaging Bellevue platform—which included an online survey and

interactive project map—and at Transportation Commission meetings last fall, winter and spring.

Throughout this year, the Commission has been working on a revision to the city's Concurrency measurement system for transportation and on multimodal performance measurements and targets. Under the proposed new Concurrency framework, the TFP will play a key underlying role, as it will establish the 12-year transportation system and thus the "supply" of mobility that the city intends to provide. The 2022-2033 TFP is intended to function as a "transitional" plan. We have applied the new multimodal performance metrics to this project list and reviewed the system performance for the pedestrian, bicycle, transit and vehicular modes. The new Mobility Implementation Plan (MIP) framework will also include a process for project identification, selection and prioritization. This process is currently under discussion with the Commission and was not used for project identification and prioritization in this TFP update cycle. The TFP is updated approximately every three years and the next update will be the opportunity to fully integrate the MIP framework (still under development) into the TFP process.

The Preliminary 2022-2033 TFP Project list includes 16 projects that are fully funded in the adopted 2021-2027 CIP and thus are automatically included in the 2022-2033 TFP. Projects in this category are shown in gray fill in the attached project list. Within this category are five congestion reduction and five neighborhood sidewalk projects funded in part or in whole by the transportation levy (approved by voters in 2016).

In addition to the fully-funded CIP projects, the Commission recommends 55 projects for inclusion in the 2022-2033 TFP. Each project has an accompanying proposed funding allocation to support advancing project development and/or implementation, as described in the Comments column in the project list. Twenty-one of the projects are identified as having "placeholder funding", a modest level of funding (typically \$300,000) intended to support initial project development or coordination with outside agencies.

The 55 projects proposed for the 2022-2033 TFP by the Commission can be generally described in the following categories:

A. *Projects that support continued development in the city's growth areas.* (14 projects).

Projects in this category include,

- TFP-270 *Spring Blvd zone 3 (124th Avenue to 130th Avenue NE)*
- TFP-211 *NE 6th Street Extension (I-405 to 116th or 120th Ave NE)*
- TFP-286 *148th Avenue NE/NE 24th Street intersection*
- TFP-260 *120th Avenue NE Stage 4 (NE 16th Street to Northup Way)*
- TFP-242 *Bellevue Way HOV lane from Winters House to South Bellevue P&R*
- Multiple projects to widen streets and intersections in Downtown, including TFP-110 (110th Ave NE from NE 6th Street to NE 8th Street), TFP-219 (NE 8th Street/106th

Avenue NE intersection), TFP-223 (Bellevue Way/NE 8th Street intersection), TFP-222 (Bellevue Way/NE 4th Street intersection), TFP-190 (NE 2nd Street from Bellevue Way to 112th Avenue NE), TFP-295 (NE 2nd Street/114th Avenue NE intersection).

- TFP-291 *143rd Place NE (NE 20th Street to Bel-Red Rd)*
- TFP-272 *NE 12th Street/116th Avenue intersection*
- TFP-250 *148th Avenue NE Master Plan*

B. *Projects that mitigate the impacts of growth to residents* (5 projects). Projects in this category include,

- TFP-195 *150th Ave SE/SE 37th Street/I-90 off ramp intersection*
- TFP-253 *150th Ave SE/Eastgate Way intersection*
- Neighborhood Congestion Reduction program projects including TFP-273 *Lakemont Blvd/Forest Drive*, TFP-288 *Lakemont Blvd/Newport Way*, TFP-289 *Lake Washington Blvd/SE 60th Street*.

C. *Projects led by other agencies that advance city interests, with modest placeholder funding proposed to support city coordination* (4 projects).

- TFP-217 *SR520 Added access (to/from east) at 124th Avenue NE*
- TFP-193 *I-405 Added access (from north) at NE 10th Street*
- TFP-271 *I-405 Coal Creek interchange (add four roundabouts, 119th Avenue SE to 120th Avenue SE*
- TFP-296 *South Downtown I-405 access: Lake Hills Connector Southbound On-ramp*.

D. *Projects that support transit mobility* (9 projects, including seven transit “connection” projects with a single bucket of funding). Projects in this category include,

- TFP-252 *Bellevue College Connection*
- TFP-294 *108th Avenue NE “Spine,” NE 4th Street to NE 8th Street*
- TFP-303 *Downtown-Crossroads Transit Connection*
- TFP-304 *Downtown-Eastgate Transit Connection*
- TFP-305 *Downtown-Factoria Transit Connection*
- TFP-306 *Crossroads-Overlake Transit Connection*
- TFP-307 *Crossroads-Eastgate Transit Connection*
- TFP-308 *Eastgate-Factoria Transit Connection*
- TFP-309 *Eastgate-Overlake Transit Connection*

E. *Projects that build out the pedestrian facility network* (4 projects). Projects in this category include,

- TFP-285 *NE 8th Street sidewalk gaps, 116th Avenue to 120th Avenue*

- TFP-175 *SE 34th Street sidewalk, 162nd Place to West Lake Sammamish Pkwy*
- TFP-173 *108th/112th Avenue NE sidewalk gaps north and south of NE 24th Street*
- TFP-247 *Eastgate Way sidewalk gaps, Richards Road to Sunset Corporate Campus*

(Note: additional sidewalk projects will be funded via the Neighborhood Sidewalk Program)

F. *Projects that build out the bicycle facility network* (18 projects). Projects in this category include,

- TFP-257, TFP-267 *West Lake Sammamish Parkway*
- TFP-244 *Eastrail Corridor multiuse trail, north city limit to south city limit*
Discussion: The Eastrail is a County-led project. City support will facilitate and support development of key trail crossings and connections into the Eastrail from Bellevue neighborhoods and activity centers.
- TFP-243 *Mountains to Sound multiuse trail—142nd Place SE to Lakemont Blvd*
- TFP-234 *Main Street—100th Avenue to 116th Avenue*
- TFP-158 *SE 16th Street—148th Avenue to 156th Avenue*
- TFP-287 *Eastrail to Spring Blvd Trail Link*
- TFP-292 *Lake to Lake Trail Corridor*
- TFP-293 *Eastrail Connection at Main Street*
- TFP-269 *124th Avenue—NE 8th Street to NE 12th Street*
- TFP-254 *Bel-Red Rd—NE 20th Street to NE 24th Street*
- TFP-297 *116th Avenue SE—Main Street to SE 8th Street multipurpose path.*
- TFP-298 *SE 5th Street—116th Avenue to 118th Avenue multipurpose path and signal*
- TFP-299 *114th Avenue—NE 8th Street to SE 8th Street multipurpose path*
- TFP-245 *140th Avenue—NE 24th Street to NE 8th Street*
- TFP-300 *Growth Corridor Bicycle Network (Downtown, BelRed, Wilburton areas)*
- TFP-301 *East Bellevue Bicycle Network*
- TFP-302 *South Bellevue Bicycle Network*

The remaining project, not included in the above categories is TFP-290 *Future Vision Zero road safety projects along Bellevue's High-Injury Network corridors*. We include this project with a funding allocation through 2033 at the same annual level as it is currently funded in the 2021-2027 CIP.

For the purposes of developing the preliminary TFP project allocations, the Commission assumed the forecast of available transportation revenue to include the general and dedicated CIP revenue sources, including impact fees, in the adopted 2021-2027 CIP extended through the out years of the TFP period, 2028-2033. We also made a conservative assumption for future

state and federal grant awards to supplement local funding sources, based on historical average awards.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide you with these recommendations. If you have questions about our recommendation or the TFP update process in general, please contact, Loreana Marciante, Transportation Commission Chair or Mike Ingram, Senior Transportation Planner, at 425-452-4166 or mingram@bellevuewa.gov.

Attachment 1 – Preliminary 2022-2033 Transportation Facilities Plan Project list

Attachment 2 – Preliminary 2022-2033 Transportation Facilities Plan Project map