

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

Resolution adopting the 2022-2033 Transportation Facilities Plan.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Transportation staff and the Transportation Commission Chair presented the Preliminary 2022-2033 Transportation Facilities Plan (TFP) project list at a Council Study Session on January 3. At that meeting the Council directed the continuation of the TFP update process including to conduct an environmental review of the plan consistent with the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA). Following the SEPA review, the Transportation Commission formally recommended Council adoption of the 2022-2033 TFP at their meeting on May 12.

RECOMMENDATION

Move to adopt Resolution No. 10112

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

The TFP serves as the City's 12-year, or intermediate-range, transportation capital facility planning document. It includes a listing of projects balanced to projected revenue over the 12-year plan period. The TFP functions as a bridge between the long-range facility plans and modal plans (e.g., Downtown Transportation Plan, Bel-Red Corridor Plan, Eastgate/I-90 Plan, Pedestrian and Bicycle Transportation Plan, Transit Master Plan) and the funded projects in the adopted 7-year Capital Investment Program (CIP) Plan. The TFP provides the first level of Citywide prioritization of transportation facility projects recommended by the long-range transportation studies.

The proposed 2022-2033 TFP (Attachment A) includes 71 projects that will improve safety, address vehicular capacity needs, enhance transit mobility and continue building out key segments of the pedestrian and bicycle systems. Each project includes a recommended funding allocation, ranging from full funding needed to implement a project to lesser levels that support one or more phases of project development that is short of actual construction (e.g., project scoping/development, design, right of way acquisition). Twenty-one of the projects in the Project List have a modest level of funding allocated (typically \$300,000) as a "Placeholder" to indicate City interest in advancing the project if and when there is opportunity to do so. Sixteen of the projects are already fully funded in the 2021-2027 CIP (including Transportation Levy program funds).

On May 12 the Transportation Commission approved, by a vote of 4-0, a recommendation to approve the 2022-2033 Transportation Facilities Plan. Attachment B is a transmittal letter with the Commission's recommendation. Council received a briefing on the 2022-2033 TFP process and the list of proposed projects at a Study Session on January 3 (meeting minutes included as Attachment C). Following that

meeting, staff completed a SEPA checklist and notice was published. No comments were received, and a Determination of Non-Significance was issued on April 28. (In previous TFP cycles, the City undertook a more extensive environmental evaluation, often involving development of an Environmental Impact Statement. This was done so that the City could use the TFP analysis as a means to evaluate the impacts of land use growth forecast for the twelve-year plan period. Land use growth is now reviewed separately, not as part of the TFP process.)

Transportation Impact Fee Program

Chapter 22.16 of the Bellevue City Code (BCC) constitutes the City's Transportation Impact Fee Program and is enacted pursuant to Chapter 82.02 of the Revised Code of Washington (RCW). Per BCC Chapter 22.16, the impact fee project list consists of the transportation improvements in the TFP needed to provide vehicular capacity on City roadways, where the capacity needs are reasonably related in part or in whole to new development. Projects that meet these criteria for the Impact Fee Program are identified in the project list included in the proposed 2022-2033 TFP document (Attachment A). The impact fee project list is adopted by Council when it adopts the TFP.

POLICY & FISCAL IMPACTS

Policy Impact

Comprehensive Plan:

Policy CF-1 of the Capital Facilities Element and policies TR-2, TR-3, TR-21, TR-32, TR-33, TR-103, TR-130, and TR-132 of the Transportation Element of the Comprehensive Plan provide a framework for the City's compliance with the requirements of the Growth Management Act and the Traffic Standards Code.

Bellevue City Code:

BCC 22.16.050 directs that "Every two years or as otherwise directed by Council, the Transportation Commission shall review and as necessary present an update of the Transportation Facilities Plan to the City Council for consideration."

BCC 22.16, the Transportation Impact Fee Program, designates the Transportation Facilities Plan (TFP) as the long-term transportation plan for identifying improvements to meet future development needs. The list of projects to which impact fees are applied is derived from the TFP and represents the roadway and intersection (vehicular) capacity projects that will serve growth-related traffic impacts.

Fiscal Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with the adoption of the TFP. A subset of the projects included within the Proposed 2022-2033 TFP Project List constitutes the transportation impact fee project list. The adopted 2021-2027 CIP Plan includes impact fee revenue projections based on the adopted fee schedule, which is supported by the impact fee projects identified in the TFP.

OPTIONS

1. Adopt the Resolution adopting the 2022-2033 Transportation Facilities Plan.
2. Do not adopt the Resolution and provide alternative direction to staff.

ATTACHMENTS

- A. Proposed 2022-2033 Transportation Facilities Plan
- B. Transportation Commission 2022-2033 TFP Update Recommendation Memorandum
- C. January 3 City Council Study Session Minutes (Preliminary TFP Project List)
Proposed Resolution No. 10112

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2022-2033 TFP Update SEPA Determination of Non-Significance