

City of
Bellevue



Transportation Commission Study Session

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SUBJECT: Eastgate Transportation Study Final Report

DIRECTION REQUESTED

- Actions: **Approve Final Report, Approve Transmittal, Select Representative(s)**
- Discussion
- Information

At the study session on June 27, 2019, City staff and the consultant team will review a draft of the Final Report for the Eastgate Transportation Study. No new information will be presented.

Staff seeks Transportation Commission approval of the draft Final Report, approval of the draft Transmittal letter to the City Council, and the selection of a representative(s) to transmit the approved Final Report to the Council on July 15, 2019.

DRAFT FINAL REPORT

The draft Eastgate Transportation Study Final Report – **Attachment A** – compiles the informational narrative and graphics reviewed by the Transportation Commission in previous study sessions. Technical data and detailed project graphics are provided as appendices to the report.

Final Report Content

The Final Report documents the Transportation Commission recommendations for projects intended to reduce congestion in 2035. To establish the foundation for the recommended projects, the report provides information on the 2018 existing traffic conditions at intersections and along corridors within the study area. Given assumptions about land use growth and the transportation system, the report provides the forecast conditions for a 2035 Baseline. It is compared to this baseline that the effectiveness of projects is measured – how much would delay be reduced compared to not building the project. The report touches on the project benefit/cost analysis, describes multimodal implications, and identifies early implementation opportunities.

DRAFT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

On July 15, 2019, the Transportation Commission will transmit its Eastgate Transportation Study final report to the City Council. Attachment B to this memo is a draft Transmittal letter that will serve as the cover letter to the Final Report upon approval.

NEXT STEPS

Transportation Commission Actions on June 27, 2019

Staff requests three separate Commission actions:

1. Approve the draft Final Report
2. Approve the draft Transmittal letter to Council
3. Select a representative(s) to attend the July 15 Council meeting

Embedded in the Final Report and the Transmittal letter are recommendations for the next steps toward implementation – that the Council initiate a 2019 Comprehensive Plan Amendment to add the Eastgate Transportation Study projects to the Comprehensive Transportation Project List and that a Factoria Boulevard corridor study be conducted to look for opportunities to reduce congestion between SE 38th Street and Coal Creek Parkway.

Eastgate Transportation Study – Transportation Commission Meeting Schedule

Transportation Commission Study Session	Information	Commission Action/Direction
June 14, 2018 South Bellevue Community Center	Project introduction and existing conditions	Information only
December 13, 2018	Evaluation framework 2018 baseline conditions	Approved evaluation framework
January 24 South Bellevue Community Center	2035 modeling results Preliminary project concepts	Reviewed modeling results Direction to define and evaluate project concepts
March 14	Preliminary evaluation results	Reviewed and evaluated project concepts
May 9	Final evaluation results and project recommendation	Approved project concepts Directed staff to prepare Final Report
June 27 South Bellevue Community Center	Final Report	Approve Final Report Approve Transmittal to City Council
July 15 City Council	Transportation Commission transmits Final Report to the City Council	Transmit Final Report to City Council

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A. Draft Eastgate Transportation Study *Volume 1* Final Report

Attachment B. Draft Eastgate Transportation Study *Volume 2* Appendix

Attachment C. Draft Transmittal Letter