

**City of  
Bellevue**



# Transportation Commission Study Session

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**SUBJECT:** 2021-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Update

## DIRECTION REQUESTED

Action

☒ Discussion

☒ Information

At the February 13 Commission meeting, staff will present an overview of the status of projects in the current 2020-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and proposed updates for the new 2021-2026 TIP. We will also review the function of the TIP in the transportation planning and financial programming process. Staff seeks Commission input on the updates and your direction to return with a Proposed 2021-2026 TIP to a public hearing, tentatively scheduled for April 9, 2020.

## BACKGROUND AND INFORMATION

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 May 9, 2019, the Transportation Commission hosted a public hearing and recommended adoption of the current 2020-2025 Local TIP. On June 3, 2019, the City Council adopted the current TIP (Resolution No. 9600).

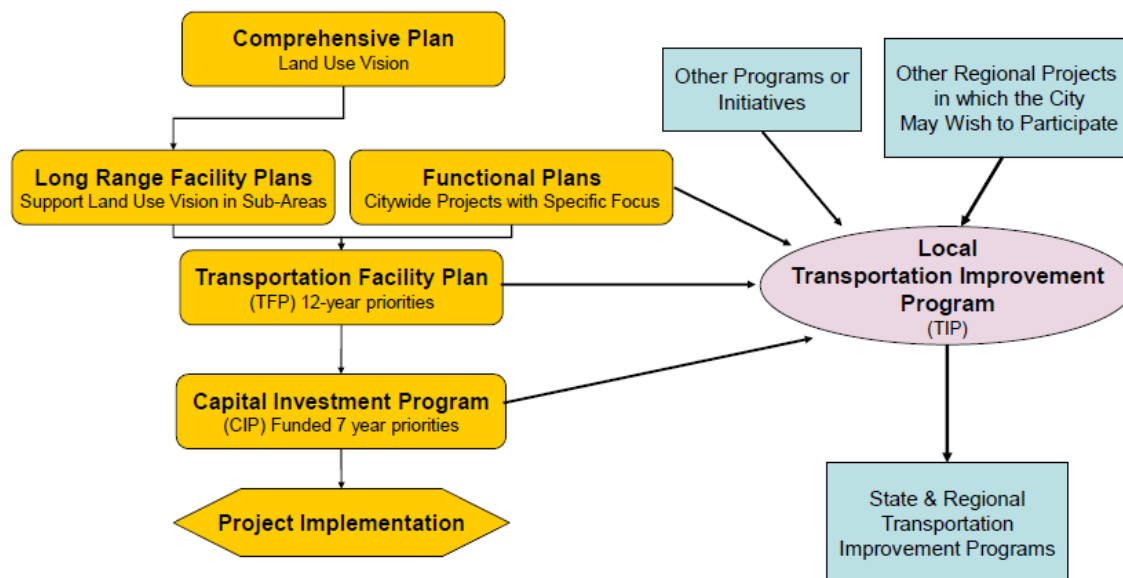
The six-year Local TIP serves as a rough work plan for the development of local transportation systems and, as such, represents an important planning component under the State's Growth Management Act. The Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) and Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) use 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, represent a comprehensive listing of projects and programs deemed necessary to ensure a balanced investment in the City’s multimodal transportation system.

Figure 1 illustrates the relationship between the TIP, the Capital Investment Program, and the Transportation Facilities Plan.

**Figure 1**



### Proposed City of Bellevue 2021-2026 TIP

Attached to this memo is the current 2020-2025 TIP project list, with mark-ups showing proposed revisions for the 2021-2026 TIP update. All projects listed fall within one of four color-coded categories, or sections, as described below:

- Section I Uncompleted CIP Projects (included in the Adopted 2019-2025 Capital Investment Program Plan – full or partial funding secured)
- Section II TFP Projects (unfunded projects included in the Adopted 2019-2030 Transportation Facilities Plan)

**Section III**

Other unfunded local projects identified in the Comprehensive Transportation Project List or scoped by completed Alternative Analyses and Planning or Pre-design Studies (may be considered for inclusion in the next TFP update)

**Section IV**

Regional or Outside Agency-led projects in which the City may choose to participate financially

Projects proposed to be added to, deleted from, or transferred between sections of the current 2020-2025 TIP can be identified by the following three colors on the attachment:

**New**

New projects proposed to be added to the current 2020-2025 TIP are shaded green.

There are eight new projects and four new project descriptions proposed to be added to the TIP as follows:

- Eight projects are new Comprehensive Transportation Project List (CTPL) projects associated with the Eastgate Transportation Study. These projects would be added to Section III of the TIP;
- One project description was revised to reflect the updates from the Eastgate Transportation Study. This project description would be revised in Section II of the TIP; and
- Three project descriptions were revised to reflect the most current relevant information for regional or outside agency-led projects in which the City may choose to participate financially. These project descriptions would be revised in Section IV of the TIP.

**Remove**

Projects included in the current 2020-2025 TIP that are proposed to be removed due to their completion, deletion, or combination with another existing TIP project are shaded red.

There are four projects proposed to be removed from the current 2020-2025 TIP:

- One CIP projects in Section I is projected to be substantially completed in 2020;
- One CIP project in Section III is proposed to be removed as it was not a recommendation of the Eastgate Transportation Study and is no longer included in the has been CTPL;
- One project in Section IV is proposed to be removed because the State does not plan to study the area; and
- One project in Section IV is proposed to be removed because the City's participation has already been defined.

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.

## **NEXT STEPS**

Proposed TIP update timeline:

- February 13, 2020 – Commission status review of 2020-2025 TIP and proposed updates for the 2021-2026 TIP.
- April 9, 2020 -
  - Commission hosts a Public Hearing on the content of the Proposed 2021-2026 TIP.
  - Commission considers public testimony, potentially amends the Proposed 2021-2026 TIP, and recommends a TIP for City Council consideration and adoption.
- May/June 2020 – City Council reviews and adopts the Proposed 2021-2026 TIP.
- June, 2020 – Formatting and submittal of the adopted 2021-2026 TIP to PSRC and WSDOT.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. City of Bellevue 2020-2025 Transportation Improvement Program project list with proposed revisions for 2021-2026 TIP.
2. 2020-2025 Transportation Improvement Program Map