

Community Council Survey

Capital Projects Needs Ranking Survey

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TOWN SQUARE PARK - PHASE 2

Problem: Upgrades are needed for Town Square Park to enhance the park for public events and improve visibility and connectivity to surrounding business and public areas including the Performing Arts Center and the Egan Center. □

Scope: Funds would be used to leverage municipal and private funds to create a permanent summer reflecting pond/winter ice skating rink, improved lighting, enhanced visibility from 6th avenue, information kiosk, outdoor seating areas, outdoor vendor utilities, repair or replacement of the brick walkways, installation of an irrigation system, signage, and connectivity to both E Street Corridor and F Street to the Convention Center. □

Status: The Town Square Park is Anchorage's primary public plaza and the heart of Downtown Anchorage. It provides venues for summer flowers enjoyed by tourist and residents, music in the park, civic events and festivals, winter ice skating -- all of which promote tourism, civic pride and economic development for related downtown businesses. □□ In 2007, voters approved a \$250,000 Municipal Park Bond for the park and the Mayor has appointed a Citizen Advisory Group to guide the improvements.

PROJECT MANAGEMENT & ENGINEERING

4th Ave @ Eagle Street Curb Bulb Improvements (HSIP)

Problem: Existing curbs do not meet ADA compliance.

Scope: Pedestrian safety improvements will be constructed at the intersection of 4th Ave and Eagle St.

Status: Funding is through the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) and programmed in the AMATS TIP for 2009. Awaiting State Historical Preservation Office approval.

7th Ave Surface Rehab - L St to A St

Problem: Pavement and curbs are deteriorating.

Scope: Rehab pavement and curb as required. Install ADA upgrades.

Status: No work is underway on this project, but construction is tentatively scheduled for 2013 in the approved CIP.

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PROJECT MANAGEMENT & ENGINEERING

9th Ave Reconstruction - L St to LaTouche St

Problem: Pavement on this minor arterial street has deteriorated to the point where maintenance is not cost effective. The traffic signal detection loops are deteriorated and the signal system is at the end of its design life.

Scope: Project will include pavement rehab, new traffic signals, street illumination, ADA improvements, pedestrian and bike paths and landscape improvements.

Status: Project re-scoped to provide for a modified three-lane section between L Street and LaTouche Street. Landscape and hardscape improvements added to strengthen pedestrian connection between Fairview & Downtown. Full project funding is proposed with a combination 2008 state grant and 2009 bond funds. Construction is expected to begin in 2009.

CBD Traffic Signal Replacement, Phase I

Problem: Traffic Signals in the Central Business District (CBD) are reaching the end of their useful life.

Scope: Replace signals in the CBD with upgraded facilities.

Status: Draft DSR published. Final design and utility phase funding is proposed for 2009. Construction funding is planned for 2010 and 2011. This funding is scheduled in the approved CIP.

Cordova St Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements - 3rd Ave to 16th Ave

Problem: Cordova Street has sidewalks on both sides that are adjacent to the curb, but no bicycle facility outside the road pavement. Excessive speeds on this route are a concern of the Fairview Community Council. This project is a priority for them. This project is viewed as an extension of the 9th Ave reconstruction project by the community council.

Scope: This project will construct pedestrian and bicycle improvements along a collector street. Future improvements are expected to include connections north to Ship Creek and south to Chester Creek.

Status: This project has not started. CIP approved bond funding: Design-2009, ROW/Utilities-2011, Construction-2012. In addition, a matching 2008 state grant has been requested. The route is identified as a collector street in the Official Streets and Highways Plan.

Downtown Area Storm Outfall Reconstruction

Problem: Several downtown area storm drain outfalls into Ship Creek have deteriorated to the point that major repair or replacement is required.

Scope: This project will reconstruct existing storm drain outfalls into Ship Creek. Some of the outfalls may be combined.

Status: Engineer is currently re-evaluating the design documents to ensure constructability. CIP approved bond funding: Design-2011, Construction-2013.

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PROJECT MANAGEMENT & ENGINEERING

E St Corridor Enhancements Phase I - 4th/5th Alley to 7th/8th Alley

Problem: The pedestrian and lighting amenities on this collector street corridor do not meet desired standards. Upgrades are expected to encourage private business investment and economic development in the downtown core area. AWWU facilities are also in need of repair. A goal is to extend the plaza/festival setting in the Town Square into a broader area of downtown.

Scope: This project will improve pedestrian facilities and enhance landscape amenities and wayfinding. Heated sidewalks are proposed as well as adding curb bulb outs at intersections, adding landscaping and pedestrian lighting, decorative paving, and taking some

Status: This project is being developed in 3 phases. Phase I is between the 4th/5th and 7th/8th Alleys, with a \$14.7 million budget. Final Phase I construction funding of \$6.7 million is proposed for 2008. Project costs of all three phases are estimated at \$25 million. Construction is expected to begin in 2008.

E St Corridor Enhancements Phase II - 2nd Ave to 4th/5th Alley

Problem: The pedestrian and lighting amenities on this collector street corridor do not meet desired standards. Upgrades are expected to encourage private business investment and economic development in the downtown core area.

Scope: This project will improve pedestrian facilities and enhance landscape amenities and wayfinding. Heated sidewalks are proposed as well as adding curb bulb outs at intersections, adding landscaping and pedestrian lighting, decorative paving, and taking some

Status: CIP approved bond funding: Design-2010, ROW/Utilities-2011, Construction-2012.

E St Corridor Enhancements Phase III - 7th/8th Alley to Delaney Park Strip

Problem: The pedestrian and lighting amenities on this collector street corridor do not meet desired standards. Upgrades are expected to encourage private business investment and economic development in the downtown core area.

Scope: This project will improve pedestrian facilities and enhance landscape amenities and wayfinding. Heated sidewalks are proposed as well as adding curb bulb outs at intersections, adding landscaping and pedestrian lighting, decorative paving, and taking some

Status: Design funding is proposed for 2012 with ROW, utility, and construction phase funding proposed for 2013 in the approved CIP.

Eagle St Surface Rehab - 3rd Ave to 6th Ave

Problem: Pavement is deteriorating.

Scope: Replace or overlay pavement.

Status: No work is currently scheduled in the 6-year Capital Improvement Program. The project will remain on the Capital Project Needs List for future funding consideration.

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F Street Connectivity

Problem: The completion of the Denaina Center will attract large conventions and conferences to downtown Anchorage. The existing pedestrian facilities may be hazardous to \outside\" visitors during the winter months."

Scope: Coordinates E Street construction project with the F Street, Convention Center and \Atwood\" Garage projects. This project will provide for heating of sidewalks that connect the new convention center with other downtown destinations. In addition, chokers

Status: MAKERS Architecture prepared study of core downtown pedestrian streets. CIP approved bond funding: Design-2008, ROW/Utilities-2010, Construction-2011 & 2012.

G St Pedestrian Lighting - 3rd Ave to 5th Ave

Problem: Improved pedestrian lighting is desired.

Scope: Install modified historic district style pedestrian lighting.

Status: Design by PM&E term design contract is underway. The project is funded and 2008 construction is planned.

M St Upgrade - 3rd Ave to 5th Ave

Problem: This local road is deteriorating.

Scope: Reconstruct local road, including underground storm drain installation.

Status: No work is underway or scheduled in the six-year Capital Improvement Program. Funding would be through the 90/10 Reconstruction Road Improvement District program. In this program, property owners initiate the project and agree to pay 10% of the costs through special assessments.

Ship Creek Trail/Coastal Trail Connection

Problem: This missing trail connection is identified in the Anchorage Trails Plan. This project is a priority for local residents, the community council, and the trails program.

Scope: This project will construct a multi-use trail that connects the existing Coastal Trail with Ship Creek Trail.

Status: This project has not started. A 2008 state grant for design and construction has been requested.

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PROJECT MANAGEMENT & ENGINEERING

Son of Downtown Area Curb Bulb Project (HSIP)

Problem: Safety concerns have been identified at several downtown intersections.

Scope: This project will construct curb bulb improvements to slow traffic at intersections.

Status: Design by the State of Alaska is substantially complete and construction is being delayed due to historical preservation issues. Funding is through the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP).

STATE OF ALASKA

6th Ave @ Fairbanks St Curb Bulb Improvements (HSIP)

Problem: Existing curbs do not meet ADA compliance.

Scope: Pedestrian safety improvements will be constructed at the intersection of 6th Ave and Fairbanks St.

Status: Funding is through the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) and programmed in the AMATS TIP for 2009. Awaiting State Historical Preservation Office approval.

A/C Couplet Pavement Replacement - Port to Tudor Rd

Problem: Pavement is deteriorating.

Scope: Overlay and/or replace pavement.

Status: No work is underway. This is a state owned facility and prioritization and funding would be through the State of Alaska.

A/C Couplet Restripe to 4-lane - 9th Ave to Tudor Rd

Problem: When constructed, pavement width was constructed to allow for a future restripe to 4-lanes if and when traffic volumes demonstrated the need. No studies have been completed demonstrating the need at this time.

Scope: Eventual restripe from a 3-lane to a 4-lane configuration.

Status: No work is underway. This is a state owned facility.

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Highway to Highway Connection - Bragaw St to 36th Ave

Problem: Congestion is growing throughout Anchorage. One option being evaluated in the Highway to Highway Connection.

Scope: Connect the Seward Highway to the Glenn Highway through the Fairview area, while improving connectivity within that neighborhood. Provide a controlled access freeway link between the New Seward and Glenn Highways. The project may construct a 8-lane segment between Tudor Road and Bragaw Street. The project will include grade separations at major street intersections, pedestrian facilities, and ramp locations at selected locations to provide ingress/egress to the downtown and midtown areas. Portions of the freeway may be covered to reclaim airspace for recreational, commercial, and/or residential development.

Status: Environmental efforts are underway by the state. This is a state owned facility evaluation and funding would be through the State of Alaska. The project is also being managed by the state.

I St/L St Rut Repair - 3rd Ave to 20th Ave

Problem: This major arterial has an ADT over 15,000. The road surface has pot holes and cracking. Increased deterioration could impact safety. This project is a priority for the state DOT.

Scope: This project will construct pavement rehabilitation improvements on a major arterial street. Improvements are expected to include rut-repair and/or pavement overlay.

Status: No work is underway. This is a state owned facility and evaluation and funding would be through the State of Alaska.

Ingra St Channelization - 3rd Ave to 4th Ave (HSIP)

Problem: Safety issues have been identified in this corridor.

Scope: Channelization will be installed to address safety issues.

Status: Design is in process and 2008 construction is anticipated. Funding is through the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP).

Ingra St/Gambell St Extension - 3rd Ave to Whitney Rd

Problem: The connection will be a critical transportation connection to minimize traffic impacts on downtown, if the Knik Arm Crossing moves forward.

Scope: Construct major transportation corridor.

Status: No work is currently scheduled in the 6-year Capital Improvement Program. This is a state owned facility and evaluation and funding would be through the State of Alaska.

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Ingra St/Gambell St Rut Repair - 5th Ave to 36th Ave

Problem: Pavement is deteriorating on these major arterial routes.

Scope: Complete rut repair improvements which may include pavement replacement or overlay.

Status: No work is underway. This is a state owned facility and evaluation and funding would be through the State of Alaska.

Rank # =Numerical priority ranking of all projects; ("1" equals highest priority)