

**2011 Capital Projects  
Midtown - Community Council Priority List  
Municipality of Anchorage**

**Project Management and Engineering Projects**

PRIORITY #		Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
4	<b>27th Ave Pedestrian Safety - Minnesota Dr to Blueberry St</b>	\$1,750,000	\$0	\$1,750,000
	<p><b>Scope:</b> This project will construct pedestrian safety improvements along this corridor. The exact improvements will be determined in the design phase.</p> <p><b>Need:</b> This is a high volume pedestrian corridor in mid-town Anchorage. 27th Avenue has no pedestrian facilities between Spenard Road and Blueberry Street. The existing attached sidewalks between Minnesota Drive and Spenard Road are often used for parking. This project is a priority in the Anchorage Pedestrian Plan.</p> <p><b>Status:</b> This project has not started. Design funding is proposed in 2011 and construction funding in 2013. State grant funding is proposed.</p>			
15	<b>33rd Ave Surface Rehab - Denali St to Old Seward Hwy</b>	\$3,800,000	\$0	\$3,800,000
	<p><b>Scope:</b> This project will provide pavement rehabilitation on a collector route serving the Midtown area. Improvements are expected to include pavement overlay or replacement and ADA upgrades. Pedestrian needs will also be considered.</p> <p><b>Need:</b> Pavement is deteriorating on this collector street.</p> <p><b>Status:</b> No work is currently scheduled in the 6-year Capital Improvement Program. This project will remain on the Capital Project Needs List for future funding consideration.</p>			
5	<b>34th Ave at Old Seward Hwy Channelization (HSIP)</b>	\$82,000	\$0	\$82,000
	<p><b>Scope:</b> This project will construct priority safety improvements including lane realignment, a raised island, and new signage.</p> <p><b>Need:</b> Safety concerns have been raised at the 34th Ave/Old Seward Hwy intersection.</p> <p><b>Status:</b> Design study is underway and construction by the State of Alaska is planned for 2011. Funding is through the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP).</p>			
9	<b>36th Ave Safety - C St to Arctic Blvd (HSIP Group 5A)</b>	\$1,600,000	\$0	\$1,600,000
	<p><b>Scope:</b> The State plans to convert the current four-lane roadway into a five-lane section with a center turning lane.</p> <p><b>Need:</b> Accident rates along 36th Avenue between C Street and Arctic Boulevard need to be addressed. There were 43 collisions in a 3-year study period.</p> <p><b>Status:</b> Design is substantially complete and construction by the State of Alaska is anticipated in 2011. Funding is through the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP).</p>			

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3	<b>48th Ave/Cordova St Reconstruction - Old Seward Hwy to Int'l Airport Rd</b>	\$9,000,000	\$0	\$9,000,000
Scope:	This project will reconstruct two collector routes including road base, pavement, curbs, storm drainage, and street lighting. The addition of pedestrian facilities will be considered in the design phase.			
Need:	48th Avenue and Cordova Street are collector routes that have experienced substantial road base, curb, and pavement failure. Pedestrian and drainage facilities do not meet current standards.			
Status:	This project has not started. Initial design funding is programmed in 2015.			

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14	<b>B St Reconstruction RID - 40th Ave to Tudor Rd</b>	\$2,798,250	\$504,596	\$2,293,654
Scope:	Improvements are expected to include pavement, curbs, street lighting, storm drains, and landscaping. The road is being narrowed slightly to allow a sidewalk to be added.			
Need:	The road and the drainage system are in poor condition.			
Status:	Final Design is underway. Construction is expected in 2010 with funding through road bonds.			

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7	<b>Blueberry St/Northern Lights Blvd Area Pedestrian Safety</b>	\$470,000	\$190,000	\$280,000
Scope:	This project will construct pedestrian safety improvements at the Blueberry Street/Northern Lights Boulevard intersection and install a west side sidewalk north to Stellar School.			
Need:	This project is a priority in the Anchorage Pedestrian Plan. Blueberry Street serves the Stellar School but there are no pedestrian facilities between the school and Northern Lights Boulevard.			
Status:	A 2008 state grant funded design. Final design is out for review. Construction funding is planned with 2010 road bonds.			

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2	<b>Egavik Dr/Denali St Area Street and Storm Reconstruction</b>	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$3,000,000
Scope:	Reconstruct storm drain facilities.			
Need:	The storm drain facilities in this area are deteriorating. There is flooding and glaciation as a result.			
Status:	Funding is proposed as a 50/50 partnership of state grants and local road bonds. A state grant has been requested.			

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12	<b>Fish Creek Improvements - Cook Inlet to Lake Otis Pkwy</b>	No Estimate	\$0	\$0
Scope:	Construct water quality and drainage capacity improvements on Fish Creek.			
Need:	Development has affected the natural flow of the creek and creek capacity is inadequate for current flow.			
Status:	State grant funding is proposed. Several phases have already been funded and constructed.			

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16	<b>Old Seward Hwy Surface Rehab - 34th Ave to Tudor Rd</b>	\$1,800,000	\$0	\$1,800,000
	Scope: This project will rehabilitate pavement on a minor arterial street. Improvements are expected to include pavement overlay or replacement and spot ADA upgrades and sidewalk reconstruction.			
	Need: Pavement, curbs, and sidewalks have developed significant cracks, ruts, and potholes.			
	Status: This project has not started. Funding is proposed through a combination of state grants and local road bonds. Design funding is proposed in 2010 and construction funding in 2012. This route is designated as a major arterial in the Official Streets and Highways Plan (OS&HP).			

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8	<b>Cuddy Family Midtown Park</b>	\$500,000	\$0	\$500,000
	Scope: Funding is requested to continue adding park amenities, improving park pedestrian access and to implement the shared library-park parking identified in the park master plan.			
	Need: Cuddy Midtown Family Park is the "Central Park" for Midtown, providing a central gathering area for special events, festivals, music and activities related to the library and surrounding businesses. The park is also home to Anchorage's only speedskating oval. The popularity of the park continues to grow. Park services and amenities must continue to keep up with park-user demand.			
	Status: Preliminary design is underway for a universally accessible playground. In addition the department is partnering with Anchorage Skates to install skateoval lighting, kiosk, gathering area and additional amenities near the skateoval.			

### State Road Projects

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6	<b>A St/C St Rut Repair - 5th Ave to International Airport Rd</b>	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$5,000,000
	Scope: This project will overlay or replace pavement on these major arterials.			
	Need: Alaska Department of Transportation has identified these streets as a high priority rut repair project.			
	Status: This project has not started. These are state owned roads and funding will be programmed through the AMATS TIP. These are identified as rut repair needs.			

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17	<b>A/C Couplet Restripe to 4-lane - 9th Ave to Tudor Rd</b>	\$480,000	\$0	\$480,000
	Scope: Eventual restripe from a 3-lane to a 4-lane configuration. Signal upgrades related to the new configuration are also anticipated.			
	Need: 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.			
	Status: No work is underway. This is a state owned facility and prioritization and funding would be through the State of Alaska.			

PRIORITY #		Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
11	<b>Ingra St/Gambell St Rut Repair - 5th Ave to 36th Ave</b>	\$13,200,000	\$0	\$13,200,000
	Scope: Complete rut repair improvements which may include pavement replacement or overlay.			
	Need: Pavement is deteriorating on these major arterial routes.			
	Status: No work is underway. This is a state owned facility and evaluation and funding would be through the State of Alaska.			

PRIORITY #

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**Seward Highway to Glenn Highway Connection (H2H) - Bragaw St to Tudor Rd**

Estimated  
Cost

Funds on  
Hand

Additional  
Funds  
Required

\$750,000,000

\$21,155,000

\$728,845,000

Scope:	Connect the Seward Highway to the Glenn Highway with a controlled access freeway. The project is expected to include an 8-lane highway segment between Bragaw Street on the Glenn Hwy and Tudor Rd on the Seward Hwy. Scope details are being finalized in the design and public involvement process.
Need:	The Highway to Highway improvements are considered necessary to address capacity, demand, safety, and system linkage to major destinations and freight mobility on the existing Seward Highway and Glenn Highway NHS routes. These NHS routes provide access to major employment centers in downtown and midtown Anchorage and major intermodal port, rail, and airport facilities. The Seward and Glenn Highway NHS routes are divided highways coming into the center of Anchorage, which transition to urban arterial streets with connecting roads, stop lights, and commercial and residential access. The urban arterial segments of the routes are characterized by high travel demand, congestion, and resulting safety issues caused by traffic levels that have exceeded the capacity of the existing arterial street network.
Status:	Funding for this project is programmed through the ADOT STIP. Environmental engineering is underway and alternative routes are being explored and moved through the public process. The next phase of design funding is anticipated in 2012

PRIORITY #

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**Seward Hwy at Northern Lights Blvd & Benson Blvd Pedestrian/Bicycle Improvements (HSIP)**

Estimated  
Cost

Funds on  
Hand

Additional  
Funds  
Required

\$3,700,000

\$0

\$3,700,000

Scope:	This project will construct pedestrian and bicycle improvements to the crossings of the Seward Hwy at Northern Lights Blvd and Benson Blvd.
Need:	These are two of the busiest intersections in the Municipality. Safety concerns have been raised for the pedestrians and bicyclists who use these crossings. The need is identified in the Anchorage Pedestrian Plan.
Status:	Funding is through the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), but the project is on hold by DOT.

PRIORITY #

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**Seward Hwy Expansion - 36th Ave to Dowling Rd**

Estimated  
Cost

Funds on  
Hand

Additional  
Funds  
Required

\$58,062,000

\$0

\$58,062,000

Scope:	Improvements are expected to include expansion to 3-lanes in each direction and adding an underpass connection to International Airport Road.
Need:	Traffic on this Freeway already exceeds the capacity of the existing facility.
Status:	A major investment study has been completed by the State of Alaska. This is a state-owned facility and evaluation and future funding would be by the State of Alaska. The route is identified as a Freeway in the Official Streets and Highways Plan. The project is also included in the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP).

PRIORITY #

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**Tudor Rd Access Management (West) - Arctic Blvd to Seward Hwy**

Estimated  
Cost

Funds on  
Hand

Additional  
Funds  
Required

\$12,500,000

\$0

\$12,500,000

Scope:	The scope is not set, but is expected to restrict direct access to Tudor Road.
Need:	Traffic volume increases are expected to further exceed the capacity of this arterial.
Status:	No work is underway or scheduled in the six-year Capital Improvement Program. This is a state-owned facility and evaluation and funding would be by the State of Alaska. The route is designated as a major arterial in the Official Streets and Highways Plan (OS&HP).

**SUGGESTIONS FOR ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO  
2011 CAPITAL PROJECTS COMMUNITY COUNCIL SURVEY**

COMMUNITY COUNCIL: MIDTOWN Date: 5-27-10  
 ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Name: DON POHLAND Phone: 223-4196

Name of Project	A=Add; D=Delete	Priority Rank (Combined with Survey projects)	Description of Addition/Reason for Deletion
A/C COUPLET RESTRIPE TO 4-LANE	D	17	ROAD WILL REVERT TO 3-LANE IN SNOW CONDITIONS
			ANYWAY, AND CREATE AN UNSAFE SITUATION.
A ST/C ST. RUT REPAIR	D	6	RUT REPAIR SHOULD WAIT UNTIL SPECS FOR
			THE ASPHALT ARE IMPROVED!

**INSTRUCTIONS:** List above any suggested **additions or deletions** (corrections or changes should be noted on the survey form). Include the completed **ADDITIONS/DELETIONS** form when returning your response by: **June 1, 2010**. Direct inquiries to Christine Chesnut, at 343-4479. **"Thank You" -- for your valuable input!**