2013 Capital Projects
Downtown - Community Council Priority List
Municipality of Anchorage

Area Wide - Parks and Recreation Project

PRIORITY #		Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	Greenbelt Trails	$1,000,000	#N/A	$1,000,000
Scope:	Asphalt repair, lighting assessment and improvements, bridge repair/replacement, signage improvements			
Need:	Anchorage has over 250 miles of paved trails. Current infrastructure is outdated, unsafe and in need of repair. Trail use, both summer and winter, will continue to increase and safety and quality condition of trail infrastructure and amenities needs to be a priority.			
Status:	Bond funding and State legislative grant requests are pending. Areawide greenbelt trails (Campbell Creek Greenbelt, Chester Creek Greenbelt Coastal Trail and Ship Creek Trail) need a repair program to address safety and security concerns (over 250 miles).			

PRIORITY #		Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	Multi-use Athletic Field Rehabilitation	$600,000	$0	$600,000
Scope:	Funds will be used to rehabilitate existing fields to a reasonable standard for all users and increase field amenities to offer quality statewide and local spectator and player use.			
Need:	Athletic fields in Anchorage play an important role by promoting healthy recreational activities and helping young athletes develop positive life skills. They also play a significant role in statewide athletics. Anchorage is one location for the State C			
Status:	Anchorage has 110 athletic fields to serve the community and state needs for healthy sports activities. Funds will be used to rehabilitate existing fields to safe and current field standards.			

Parks and Recreation Project

PRIORITY #		Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	Downtown Streetscape Improvements	$500,000	#N/A	$500,000
Scope:	In order to create a more attractive and safe downtown environment, substantial infrastructure improvements will occur in the downtown area between C and I Streets and 4th and 7th Avenues. Planting beds will be constructed to accommodate adequate tree root and canopy growth. Existing tree wells will be repaired for pedestrian safety.			
Need:	Downtown Anchorage is a major focal point for the community with vibrant retail stores, great restaurants, art galleries, the Performing Arts Center, two convention centers and a concentration of businesses. The parks, cultural attractions and seasonal splendor of the famous summer flowers draw tourists from all over the world, but the downtown streetscape is incomplete without healthy, beautiful trees lining the streets. Anchorage lacks the infrastructure necessary to protect the trees, above and below the ground. Healthy downtown trees provide significant economic and social value to the community; studies demonstrate that tree-lined streets increase retail sales from 10-15%.			
Status:	Downtown tree infrastructure is maintained by park maintenance and horticulture division within Parks & Recreation. Existing infrastructure does not allow for adequate tree growth resulting in tree death. P&R is working with a private funder to install a tree bed pilot project on 4th Ave.			

PRIORITY #		Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	Delaney Park	$600,000	#N/A	$600,000
Scope:	New funding will make repairs to turf, walking areas, landscape, amenities and athletic facilities.			
Need:	Funds are needed to maintain Delaney Park as a vibrant public space serving all of Anchorage. The constant wear and tear of major events and sports use combined with outdated facilities has caused major park infrastructure decline.			
Status:	Delaney Park is one of Anchorage's oldest and most celebrated parks. The initial phase of the project approved by Anchorage Voters in 2007 upgraded basic park amenities.			

Project Management and Engineering Projects

PRIORITY #		Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	3rd Ave and Gambell St Safety Improvements	$0	$0	$0
Scope:	The actual scope of improvements will be determined in the Design Study phase.			

Need:	The Traffic Department has identified this intersection as a priority location for traffic safety improvement. An average of over 10,000 vehicles pass through this intersection each day.
Status:	No work is underway or scheduled in the six-year Capital Improvement Program. The project will remain on the Capital Project Needs List for future funding consideration.

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	Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
3rd Ave Decorative Lighting - L St to F St	$0	$0	$0

Scope:	This project will install additional decorative lighting on this street segment in the central business district.
Need:	This project is a high priority for the Downtown Community Council.
Status:	This project has not started. There is no funding programmed in the six-year CIP for this project. However, this project will remain on the Needs List for future funding consideration.

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	Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
7th Ave Surface Rehab - L St to A St (not including G St to E St)	$2,000,000	$0	$2,000,000

Scope:	This project will rehab pavement and curb as required and install ADA upgrades.
Need:	Pavement and curbs are deteriorating.
Status:	No work is underway or scheduled in the six-year Capital Improvement Program. The project will remain on the Capital Projects Needs List for future funding consideration.

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	Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
7th Ave/8th Ave Pedestrian Lighting - A St to Cordova St	$0	$0	$0

Scope:	This project will work with the community to identify a style of lighting to benefit pedestrians in this corridor that will be compatible with other uses of the right of way and consistent with other lighting in the downtown area.
Need:	This project is a priority for the Downtown Community Council.
Status:	This project has not started. There is no funding programmed in the six-year CIP for this project. However, this project will remain on the Needs List for future funding consideration.

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	Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
8th Ave at A St and C St Pedestrian Safety	$150,000	$0	$150,000

Scope:	This project will construct pedestrian safety improvements at these intersections. The exact improvements will be determined in the design phase.
Need:	This project is a high priority in the Anchorage Pedestrian Plan.
Status:	This project has not started. State grant funding is proposed.

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	Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
ARDSA Residential Pavement Rehabilitation - Senate District L Area	$3,000,000	$0	$3,000,000

Scope:	This project will resurface local roads through reclaiming, overlaying, or rotomilling. Occasional spot dig outs and some curb repair work is also anticipated.
Need:	There were many roads in the district that were rated as Condition E or F in the last GASB survey. Resurfacing will extend the life of the road base. Resurfacing is far more cost effective than road reconstruction. Approximately two to three miles of locals roads can be resurfaced with the requested grant.
Status:	This project has not started. State grant funding is proposed.

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	Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
ARDSA Storm Drain System Rehabilitation	$1,000,000	$0	$1,000,000

Scope:	This project will investigate the status of the Anchorage Roads and Drainage Service Area storm drain system and rehabilitate the system as needs are identified and prioritized. This goal will be accomplished by evaluating the degree of degradation and functionality in our existing storm drain systems through CCTV (Closed Circuit Television) videoing augmented and by field inspecting segments of pipe.
Need:	There are approximately 2,213,000 linear feet of underground storm drain pipe in the Anchorage Road and Drainage Service Area. Metal pipe was primarily used prior 1990 and in some instances developers were creative and even used substitutes such as metal barrels/55 gallon drums laid end to end to divert or convey storm water from their properties. Much of the storm drain pipe that Anchorage has in the ground today is now deteriorated to the extent that in some instances it has completely vanished. Obviously these system failures impact the public in many ways, two primary impacts are; health & safety consequences and property damage through flooding.
Status:	This project has not started. This is an annual program with bond funding anticipated.

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	Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
Cordova St Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements Study - 3rd Ave to 16th Ave	$120,000	$120,000	$0

Scope:	This project will construct non-motorized improvements along a collector street. Future improvements are expected to include connections north to Ship Creek Trail and south to Chester Creek Trail.
Need:	Cordova Street has sidewalks on both sides that are adjacent to the curb, as well as a two way bike lane - which does not meet national safety standards. Excessive speeds, and confusion for both drivers using the bike lane for right turns are a concern of the Fairview Community Council as well as the Bicycle Commuters of Anchorage. This project is a priority for both groups.
Status:	Project is underway. Public involvement and the design study is scheduled to be complete by June 2012.

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	Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
Eagle St Surface Rehab - 3rd Ave to 6th Ave	$800,000	$0	$800,000

Scope:	This project would replace or overlay pavement.
Need:	Pavement is deteriorating.
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.