

Community Council Survey

Capital Projects Needs Ranking Survey

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Midtown

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CUDDY MIDTOWN FAMILY PARK

Problem: Local businesses, the Loussac Library and a strong Citizen Advisory Group strongly support the continued implementation of the Park Master Plan. Private dollars are intended to match the State Legislative Grant request.

Scope: Cuddy Midtown Family Park is the “Central Park” for Midtown providing the central gathering area for special events, festivals, music and activities related to the library and surrounding businesses. Funding is requested to implement the shared library-park parking lot and promenade, better trail connections to adjacent access points, gateways, a children’s playground, a picnic shelter, active recreation opportunities within the center of the speed skating oval and a park and recreation facility.

Status: Cuddy Family Midtown Park provides a unique opportunity to create a physical and symbolic heart in a part of the Anchorage community, where one does not currently exist. It is important to use the park’s improvement to as a catalyst for redefining a broader Midtown area vision. Another important opportunity is connection of the park with the Loussac Library, which is already one of the major anchors of the neighborhood. Imagine if the library provided a much stronger connection between the park and the surrounding community. This project will provide that connection as well as a visible place where recreation, relaxation, and public events can take place. □□The 2007 Park Bond, other municipal funds and private funds are currently completing the expansion of the existing theater, enhancement of trails and pedestrian facilities, development of a great lawn for large music festivals, inclusion of a speed skating oval and development of a storm water retention pond to mitigate flooding along Fish Creek. □□

PROJECT MANAGEMENT & ENGINEERING

33rd Ave Surface Rehab - Denali St to Old Seward Hwy

Problem: Pavement is deteriorating on this collector street.

Scope: 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.

Status: No work is currently underway. Construction is expected in 2013 or 2014.

34th Ave at Old Seward Hwy Channelization (HSIP)

Problem: Safety concerns have been raised at the 34th Ave/Old Seward Hwy intersection.

Scope: This project will construct priority safety improvements including lane realignment, a raised island, and new signage.

Status: Design is underway and construction by the State of Alaska is planned for 2009. Funding is through the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP).

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PROJECT MANAGEMENT & ENGINEERING

36th Ave at Latouche St Intersection Safety (HSIP)

Problem: Safety concerns have been raised at the 36th Avenue/Latouche St intersection.

Scope: This HSIP project will replace the WB signal pole in the NW quadrant of the intersection with a longer mast arm that can accommodate two signal faces.

Status: Design is underway and construction by the State of Alaska is anticipated in 2009. Funding is through the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP).

36th Ave Safety - C St to Arctic Blvd (HSIP Group 5A)

Problem: 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.

Scope: The State plans to convert the current four-lane roadway into a five-lane section with a center turning lane.

Status: Design is substantially complete and construction by the State of Alaska is anticipated in 2009. Funding is through the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP).

40th Ave at Arctic Blvd Signalization

Problem: The construction of the 40th Ave connection between Arctic Blvd and Center Pointe Dr along with development of office buildings will create traffic volumes at this intersection that may require a signal.

Scope: Construct a traffic signal.

Status: Design is underway and 2008 construction is planned. Funding is in 2008 road bond.

40th Ave Extension - Arctic Blvd to Centerpoint Dr

Problem: This street has been designated a collector in the OS&HP (Official Streets and Highways Plan). It will provide a needed east/west connection in the Midtown business district.

Scope: The developer will construct a two-lane, strip-paved road with a paved trail.

Status: A private developer will be constructing a two-lane strip-paved road in 2008. The muni will be installing a signal at the intersection of Arctic Blvd and 40th Avenue in conjunction with this project.

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48th Ave/Cordova St Reconstruction - Old Seward Hwy to Int'l Airport Rd

Problem: 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.

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.

Status: This project has not started. CIP approved funding: Design-2009, ROW/Utilities-2010, Construction-2011.

B St Reconstruction RID - 40th Ave to Tudor Rd

Problem: The road and the drainage system are in poor condition.

Scope: Improvements are expected to include pavement, curbs, street lighting, storm drains, and landscaping. The actual scope will be developed during the design phase, which includes public involvement. The road may be narrowed slightly to allow a sidewalk to

Status: Design is underway. CIP approved bond funding: ROW/Utilities-2009, Construction-2010.

Blueberry St/Northern Lights Blvd Area Pedestrian Safety

Problem: Pedestrian facilities in this area are inadequate and safety concerns have been expressed. This project is a priority in the Anchorage Pedestrian Plan.

Scope: This project will construct pedestrian safety improvements in around the Blueberry Street/Northern Lights Boulevard intersection. Specific improvements will be developed in the study phase.

Status: This project has not started. A 2008 state grant is proposed to fund design and construction.

Egavik Dr/Denali St Area Storm Reconstruction

Problem: Storm drain facilities are deteriorating.

Scope: Reconstruct storm drain facilities.

Status: No work is underway, but CIP approved bond funding: Design-2010 and Construction-2011.

Fish Creek Improvements - Cook Inlet to Lake Otis Pkwy

Problem: Development has affected the natural flow of the creek and creek capacity is inadequate for current flow.

Scope: Construct water quality and drainage capacity improvements on Fish Creek.

Status: This is an annual funding program in the approved CIP. \$500,000 a year in design and construction funding is proposed beginning in 2010. Several phases have already been funded and constructed.

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Old Seward Hwy Surface Rehab - 34th Ave to Tudor Rd

Problem: Pavement, curbs, and sidewalks have developed significant cracks, ruts, and potholes.

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.

Status: No work is underway, but design is expected to start in 2008 or 2009. Construction funding is scheduled for 2010 in the approved CIP. This route is designated as a major arterial in the Official Streets and Highways Plan (OS&HP).

Old Seward Hwy/International Airport Rd Area Storm Reconstruction

Problem: A needs analysis is underway and the analysis is expected to show that the outfall system is deteriorating and undersized.

Scope: The project is expected to replace the existing storm drain outfall.

Status: Design study efforts are underway. Construction funding is proposed for 2009 in the approved CIP.

Seward Hwy Expansion - 20th Ave to 36th Ave

Problem: Traffic on this freeway already exceeds the capacity of the existing facility.

Scope: While the scope has not been established, this freeway segment is a significant link in the Highway to Highway connection to the Glenn Highway. Specific improvements will be identified in further design efforts not currently funded.

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).

STATE OF ALASKA

36th Ave at C St Corridor Safety Improvements (HSIP Group 3A)

Problem: Accident rates have raised safety concerns in this corridor.

Scope: This project will fund priority safety improvements identified in the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP).

Status: Design is substantially complete and construction by the State of Alaska is anticipated in 2009. Funding is through the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP).

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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.

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.

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.

International Airport Rd at Old Seward Hwy Channelization (HSIP)

Problem: Safety issues exist at this intersection.

Scope: Improvements are expected to include turn lane expansion and signal upgrades.

Status: Design is substantially complete and funding is through the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP). Construction anticipated for 2008.

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Seward Hwy - Tudor Rd Interchange NE/SE Quadrant Hook Ramps

Problem: Traffic on this freeway already exceeds the capacity of the existing facility. Left turn traffic from Tudor Road onto the Seward Highway also affects safety and capacity on Tudor Road.

Scope: While the scope has not been set, freeway ramps are being suggested on the Northeast and Southeast quadrants of the Tudor Road/Seward Highway intersection to eliminate left turns from Tudor Road onto the Seward Highway.

Status: A major investment study on the Seward Highway 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).

Seward Hwy at 36th Ave Intersection Safety (HSIP)

Problem: Safety issues have been raised at this intersection.

Scope: Construct identified safety improvements.

Status: Design by the State of Alaska is substantially complete and construction is expected in 2008 or 2009. Funding is through the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP).

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

Problem: These are two of the busiest intersections in the Municipality. Safety concerns have been raised for the pedestrians and bicyclists who use these crossings.

Scope: This project will construct pedestrian and bicycle improvements to the crossings of the Seward Hwy at Northern Lights Blvd and Benson Blvd.

Status: Funding is through the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) and programmed in the AMATS TIP for 2009.

Seward Hwy Expansion - 36th Ave to Dowling Rd

Problem: Traffic on this Freeway already exceeds the capacity of the existing facility.

Scope: Improvements are expected to include expansion to 3-lanes in each direction and adding an underpass connection to the International Airport Road

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).

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Tudor Rd Access Management (East) - Seward Hwy to Patterson St

Problem: Traffic increases are expected to further exceed the capacity on this arterial.

Scope: While the scope is not set, improvements are expected to include restricting direct access onto Tudor Road.

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). This project is included in the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP).

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

Problem: Traffic increases are expected to further exceed the capacity of this arterial.

Scope: The scope is not set, but is expected to restrict direct access to Tudor Road.

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). This project is included in the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP).

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