

Capital Project Survey Responses
South Addition Community Council's Response

Our members considered the Capital projects list for several months. We wanted first to bring to your attention that the Park that is nearest and dearest to our members hearts is Delaney Park. It was not listed as one of the SACC area parks on the CIP list. Also, it was not listed under any other Community Council's CIP list. I believe the City Community Gardens at C and 16th were listed as a part of Fairview's Parks and Rec spaces but I believe that park also belongs in the South Addition Community Council area.

Our members wanted to comment on the least favorite of the listed projects. SACC members have strong opposition to any re-striping of the traffic lanes on the A/C Couplet. The current lanes are more than adequate for the flow of traffic and adding another lane --particularly on A Street--which does not have any streetlights between 9th Ave. and Fireweed-- will hinder pedestrian access. This is critical especially in light of the multiple new high rise condo complexes and apartments that are being constructed on A Street (See 13th and 16th Ave. projects). In fact our members urged consideration of traffic calming or a pedestrian "on demand" traffic stop-light somewhere in the vicinity of 10th and A.

The projects that are SACC members top priorities are listed in order of highest to lowest priority:

1. The stairs which access **Valley of the Moon Park** from I Street must be repaired. Recently someone fell through one of the rotted steps and a local SACC member hired a contractor to run down and repair that one stair. The bonding for this stair repair was approved many years ago but has never been completed. This is a safety issue.
2. On the **Delaney Park** work project which will be in August (United Day of Sharing, August 10-13) please be sure to plan for sprinkler systems and electrical access and a drinking fountain somewhere along the walkway.
3. On **Delaney Park Strip** resurfacing the **tennis courts** is a high priority as is improving the appearance of Pete's Gym. Please also note that there is strong community support for keeping Pete's Gym in place as a recreational institution on the Park Strip.
4. The **Delaney Park hockey rink** rehabilitation was bonded with Park Bonds from several years ago and should be a part of the upgrading of Delaney Park.
5. At **16th and A Street** converting a **traffic** lane to lane for "left turn only" should be considered.
6. At **15th and E Street**, a **left turn signal** light in both a Northern and Southernly direction are needed as many cars sit through several light changes before a turn can be accomplished.
7. The **Laurence G/Scenic Way surface rehab** should be overlay only in the South Addition section.

8. There are many **sidewalk** areas that need some **rehabilitation** in **South Addition**. When any roadways are done, the sidewalk repair status needs to be checked.

9. **Pedestrian scale lighting** along some of the street projects (particularly **9th Avenue and E Street**) is suggested instead of the glaring overheads.

10. Some **pedestrian signage** is recommended along **I and L Street** to direct tourists to the trails so that they do not end up trapped on the restricted access bypass (Minnesota leading to I and L).

11. **Undergrounding utilities** was brought up by the members. Whenever a road project or sidewalk project is considered it is hoped that MOA will coordinate with ML&P to underground wherever possible.

Additionally I am enclosing some of the direct comments that were submitted in writing by members.

Respectfully,

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Proposed Additions to the Municipality's Capital Improvement List
June 2006

Rank Improvement

⑤ Reduce L St from three lanes to two lanes between 9th Ave and 15th Ave.

④ Reduce I St from three lanes to two lanes between 15th Ave and 6th Ave.

② Rebuild the pedestrian pathway on the west side of I. Street connecting 15th Avenue to the Chester Creek Trail.

③ Install effective signage directing pedestrians to stairs and trails connecting Spenard and South Addition along Minnesota Blvd, I and L Streets.

— Rehabilitate Westchester Lagoon and Chester Creek banks that are eroding with appropriate shrubs and grasses,

① *Underground utilities*

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