All Proposed Bear Valley Capital Projects

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Kings Way Surface Rehab and Drainage Improvements
Cost: $3,000,000
Funds on Hand: $0
Additional funds required: $3,000,000
Need: King's Way has never been constructed to standards. The gravel road surface deteriorates yearly and has numerous drainage issues. Some of the road is not in ROW.
Project scope: Resurface the road, address drainage issues, and buy ROW.
Project Status: The project has not started. The project will remain on the Needs List for future funding consideration.

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House District 27 Residential Pavement Rehabilitation
Cost: $15,000,000
Funds on Hand: $0
Additional funds required: $15,000,000
Need: Deteriorating pavement on Anchorage roads is increasing safety concerns and maintenance costs. Many of the local roads in Anchorage are showing their age and in many cases how poorly they were initially constructed. This program allows the Municipality to preserve the useful life of the road base and avoid much more expensive full reconstruction projects as well as improving the quality of life for residents.
Project scope: This project will fund pavement overlay, rehabilitation, and replacement projects throughout House District 27 within the Municipality of Anchorage. Some funding may also be used for drainage work as needed for the preservation of the roadway. Project priorities will be established by the Street Maintenance, Traffic Section, and Project Management and Engineering, with input from elected officials and the public. Projects to be funded are primarily local roads, but some trail rehab is also anticipated.
Project Status: The project has not started. State grant funding is proposed.

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Heights Hill Surface Rehab/Subdrain - South of Clarks Rd
Cost: $2,500,000
Funds on Hand: $0
Additional funds required: $2,500,000
Need: Road and subsurface drainage problems exist. This condition results in wintertime glaciation that impacts safety. This project is the number 1 municipal priority for the Bear Valley Community Council.
Project scope: This project will improve the drainage system and rebuild the road.
Project 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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Clarks Rd Drainage Improvements
Cost: $3,000,000
Funds on Hand: $0
Additional funds required: $3,000,000
Need: Severely damaged culverts at the AT&T driveway and at Hoskens Road cause severe glaciation each winter. Glaciation on the roadway may impact safety.
Project scope: This project will install new culverts at these locations.
Project Status: No work is underway. This is a state owned facility and prioritization and funding would be through the State of Alaska. The project will remain on the Capital Projects Needs List for future funding consideration.

2

Clarks Rd Surface Rehab
Cost: $3,100,000
Funds on Hand: $0
Additional funds required: $3,100,000
Need: Pavement is deteriorating.
Project scope: This project will rehab the road surface.
Project Status: No work is underway. This is a state owned facility and prioritization and funding would be through the State of Alaska.

Clarks Rd Upgrade - Hillside Dr to Kings Way Dr

Cost: $26,000,000
Funds on Hand: $0
Additional funds required: $26,000,000
Need: Clarks Road is a narrow, windy, mountainous road that is especially treacherous in the winter months. There are concerns with line-of-sight distances and grades as well. This road is the only access route to a large residential area. Bear Valley Elementary School is at the corner of Clarks Road and Hillside Drive. The road also provides access to Chugach State Park and as such is heavily used by pedestrians and bicyclists. The current design of the road is ill-equipped to accommodate either.
Project scope: Upgrade Clarks Road to rural collector design standards. Improvements are expected to include two traffic lanes, shoulders, separated pedestrian facilities, and street lighting.
Project Status: This is a state-owned road. Therefore, evaluation and prioritization for funding will be made by the State of Alaska. There is no funding proposed at this time.

Abbott Rd/Hillside Dr Trail - Rabbit Creek Rd to Seward Hwy

Cost: $40,000,000
Funds on Hand: $0
Additional funds required: $40,000,000
Need: The trail is not fully constructed between Rabbit Creek Road and the Seward Highway.
Project scope: Construct missing trail links and reconstruct those in poor condition.
Project Status: No work is underway. This trail has been added to the Capital Project Needs List for evaluation and future funding consideration. Both Abbott Road and Hillside Drive are state owned facilities and funding would be from state or federal sources.

Parks and Recreation

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Section 36 Park Improvements

Cost: $400,000
Funds on Hand: $0
Additional funds required: $400,000
Need: Section 36 is approximately 640 acres of new park in south Anchorage. Improvements are needed to provide residents with access and recreational opportunities.
Project scope: Funds will be used to begin trail development and complete access improvements.
Project Status: Section 36 uplands are in the process of being transferred to P&R management and will be formally dedicated. Additionally, we anticipate the master plan to be adopted by the Planning and Zoning Commission this year.

2

Community Garden Site Selection and Design and Management Standards.

Cost: $50,000
Funds on Hand: $0
Additional funds required: $50,000
Need: The public demand for plots in MOA Community Gardens far exceeds the current availability. New community gardens have been identified in a number of newly completed park master plans. Funding will be used to develop new community gardens.
Project scope: Identify appropriate parks in the Anchorage Bowl where community garden development is appropriate. Create design and management guidelines to assist the department in building and maintaining community gardens.
Project Status: The department currently manages community gardens at The Gardens @ Bragaw, C Street Gardens, Fairview Lions and McPhee Gardens

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Forest Health and Park Safety

Cost: $200,000
Funds on Hand: $0
Additional funds required: $200,000
Need: In September of 2012 more than 5000 trees were lost during a windstorm. Initial assessments estimate clean-up to be over 1 million dollars. The Anchorage Urban Forester's plan to address the damage include a mix of volunteer clean-up, commercial sales and contracted clean-up. Currently, park assets are safe for park and trail users, however as conditions change, follow-up risk assessment and clean-up is required.
Project scope: Funds will be used to conduct a follow-up risk assessment, develop a recommended strategy for species management (cottonwood, evergreen, birch), finalize a tree emergency plan and continue the clearing of hazard trees on parkland from the 2012 windstorm.
Project Status: Park Maintenance and horticulture crews have cleared parks and trails making current park assets safe for Anchorage citizens.