



Legislation Text

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AGENDA CAPTION:

Receive a presentation regarding the Transportation Master Plan, and provide direction to the City Manager.

Meeting date: May 15, 2018

Department: Engineering and CIP

Amount & Source of Funding

Funds Required: NA

Account Number: NA

Funds Available: NA

Account Name: NA

Fiscal Note:

Prior Council Action: Click or tap here to enter text.

City Council Strategic Initiative: [Please select from the dropdown menu below]

Choose an item.

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Comprehensive Plan Element (s): [Please select the Plan element(s) and Goal # from dropdown menu below]

Economic Development - Choose an item.

Environment & Resource Protection - Choose an item.

Land Use - High Density Mixed Use Dev. & Infrastructure in the Activity Nodes & Intesity Zones (supporting walkability and integrated transit corridors)

Neighborhoods & Housing - Choose an item.

Parks, Public Spaces & Facilities - Choose an item.

Transportation - Safe, Well coordinated transportation system implemented in an environmentally sensitive manner

Not Applicable

Master Plan: [Please select the corresponding Master Plan from the dropdown menu below (if applicable)]

Transportation Master Plan

Background Information:

To keep pace with the growing community and transportation needs, the City has updated 2004 Transportation Master Plan. This Transportation Master Plan considered socioeconomic data and information from the City's Comprehensive Plan "Vision San Marcos: A River Runs through Us". The improvements identified in this plan will help to enhance transportation safety, minimize congestion, preserve local character, and protect the rivers and the San Marcos environment.

Following transportation master plan goals were established:

- Implement cross-sections that preserve character and encourage economic development
- Build a safe, efficient multimodal system that accesses key land uses
- Expand bicycle lanes and trails
- Build a connected, safe, and accessible pedestrian network
- Plan for transit to serve downtown and intensity zones
- Expand the greenways systems
- Maximize efficiency through best practices

Throughout the planning process for the Transportation Master Plan, City staff worked to keep the public informed and involved. Engaging the public and community stakeholders helped to clarify the project vision and provided opportunities for meaningful input and involvement by the community. Comments received at community events were compiled and considered for incorporation into this plan.

Seven thoroughfare types are proposed for the transportation master plan including highways, boulevards, avenues and streets. Proposed thoroughfare plan builds a multimodal transportation network that is safe, efficient and provides direct access to key land uses.

Bike infrastructure and pedestrian network plan, proposed transit plan, and greenways master plan was developed as part of transportation master plan.

Funding isn't immediately available to implement all the projects recommended in the Transportation Master Plan. Prioritization criteria were developed to identify projects that are most critical to the needs of the City; and a capital improvements plan was developed for the short, mid and long term horizons.

Council Committee, Board/Commission Action:

NA

Alternatives:

NA

Recommendation:

Staff recommends adoption of Transportation Master Plan

