



Staff Report

May 18, 2026 Council Workshop Meeting

Six Year Transportation Improvement Program
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BACKGROUND: The Six Year Transportation Improvement Program, also known as the Six Year Street Plan, is to be updated by municipalities each year prior to commencement of the Washington State fiscal year of July 1 per the requirements of the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 35.77.010. This year's program is for calendar years 2027 through 2032. Projects that have obligated (committed) construction funding are pulled from the list each year.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the RCW, the purpose of the Plan is to assure that each city shall perpetually have available advanced plans looking to the future for not less than six years as a guide in carrying out a coordinated transportation program. Most of the projects on the list do not currently have a funding source. The project list is much larger than available funding sources. Some grant sources require a project to be on the agency's Six Year Street Plan to be eligible for funding. Typically, the priority number assigned is only for broader community planning purposes and is not necessarily of importance for reasons of timing or eligibility of funding.

Staff is proposing minor changes to the 2026 through 2031 plan from last year. Updates in the attached draft are as follows:

- Based on recent adjustments to the North Shore Area roadway system;
 - Revisions to the North Shore Boulevard alignment, termini of segments, and cost estimates (see priorities 4 and 5.)
 - Removal of three segments of north/south roadway in the SunCal development (previously priorities 40 through 42.)
 - Addition of three (development-driven) roundabouts on North Shore Boulevard (see priorities 41 through 43.)
- Cost and time adjustments to several listed projects.

BENEFITS TO THE COMMUNITY: This plan allows projects to be eligible for various grants. These grants benefit all citizens in general by providing completed projects with sources that offset local funding.

STRATEGIC PLAN: Improve transportation...safety and accessibility for all ages and abilities.

POTENTIAL CHALLENGES: Limited funding is available for projects.

BUDGET IMPACT: The plan itself has no budget impact, but funding limitations will prohibit the completion of most projects on the list in a timely manner.

RECOMMENDATION: A public hearing is scheduled for 7 p.m. June 1, 2026 at the Regular Meeting. A resolution to adopt the Six Year Transportation Improvement Program will be scheduled for the June 15, 2026 Regular Meeting. Staff will address comments and revisions as provided by Council during the Workshop, after public testimony at the Public Hearing, and/or prior to adoption of the Resolution.