



CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK

CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA COVER SHEET

Meeting Date	May 14, 2026
Originating Department	Public Works
Contact Person	Nova Heaton, Public Works Director
Title	Transportation Improvement Program for the calendar years 2027 through 2032

Legislative History

- May 14, 2026 Regular Meeting

Attachments:

1. 6-year TIP Summary Information
 2. Washington State TIP Requirements
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Executive Summary

The Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) is a six-year, annually updated roadmap that identifies, prioritizes, and funds transportation projects in Lake Forest Park. It aligns infrastructure investments with community goals such as safety, mobility, sustainability, and livability while ensuring eligibility for state and federal funding. The TIP integrates with broader City plans and provides transparency and accountability in how transportation resources are allocated.

Background

Lake Forest Park faces increasing transportation demands due to aging infrastructure, population growth, and the need for safer multimodal travel options. The TIP serves as a strategic and coordinated planning tool that translates long-term policy goals from the Comprehensive Plan into actionable projects. It is closely linked with the Capital Improvement Plan, City budget, and supporting programs such as Complete Streets, traffic calming, and pavement preservation. State law (RCW 35.77.010) requires the City to maintain and annually update a six-year transportation program, including project details, costs, funding sources, and public engagement.

Fiscal & Policy Implications

The TIP functions as both a planning and financial tool, outlining projected project costs, funding sources, and implementation timelines. It is essential for securing external funding, as many grants

require TIP inclusion. While the TIP identifies long-term priorities, actual project advancement depends on available revenues and budget decisions. By leveraging grants and partnerships, the City can extend limited local funds, but must continuously adjust financial assumptions to reflect changing economic conditions and funding opportunities.

Staff Recommendation

Provide input and direction on the draft TIP for 2027 – 2032 and continue to provide information regarding the TIP in the future to ensure the list reflects City priorities.