

Transportation Plan Review for the City of Tumwater's 2025 Comprehensive Plan Update

***Balancing Nature and Community:
Tumwater's Path to Sustainable Growth***



General Government Committee – January 10, 2024

Intent

- Discuss Growth Management Act Transportation Plan Goals
- Present the current version of the Plan
- Consider specific issues for the Plan
- Consider how to incorporate diversity, equity, and inclusion throughout
- Discuss guidance materials



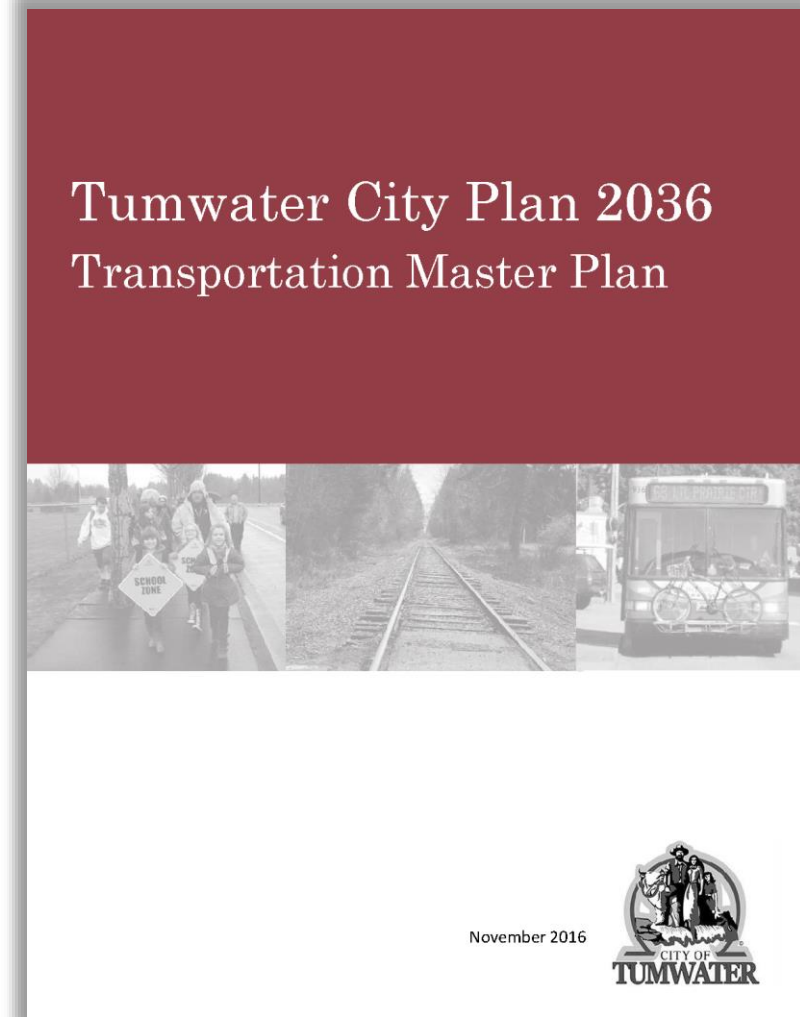
Growth Management Act Transportation Goal

- 3. **Transportation.** Encourage efficient multimodal transportation systems that will reduce greenhouse gas emissions and per capita vehicle miles traveled, and are based on regional priorities and coordinated with county and city comprehensive plans.*



2016 Transportation Master Plan

Tumwater's transportation system provides for the safe, efficient, cost-effective movement of people and goods in ways that support adopted land use plans, enhance neighborhood and community livability, support a strong and resilient economy, and minimize environmental impacts.



2025 Topics to Address as Part of the Update

General

- Diversity, equity, inclusion, and environmental justice will be considered throughout the Comprehensive Plan
- All elements, plans, and maps will be updated and be internally consistent
- The updated Comprehensive Plan will consist of shorter individual Elements and Plans with a focus on simplified and updated goals, policies, and implementation actions with appendices that contain the required technical information
- A new Comprehensive Plan Goal and Policy Guide will be created for use by staff and policymakers as well as a new User Guide for community members
- Mutually agreeable Memorandum of Agreements between the City and tribes about collaboration and participation in the planning process will be discussed



2025 Topics to Address as Part of the Update

Transportation

- Update Maps
- Update existing conditions and operations
- Update planned improvements and future operations to 2045
- Update transportation improvement program
- Update financial analysis
- Update traffic impact fees
- Update estimated traffic impacts to state-owned transportation facilities resulting from land use assumptions to assist the State Department of Transportation in monitoring the performance of state facilities, to plan improvements for the facilities, and to assess the impact of land-use decisions on state-owned transportation facilities
- Update land use assumptions used in estimating travel



2025 Topics to Address as Part of the Update

- Update facilities and service needs, including:
 - An inventory of air, water, and ground transportation facilities and services, including transit alignments and general aviation airport facilities, to define existing capital facilities and travel levels as a basis for future planning
 - Level of service standards for all locally owned arterials and transit routes to serve as a gauge to judge performance of the system
 - For state-owned transportation facilities, include the level of service standards for highways to gauge the performance of the system
 - Identify specific actions and requirements for bringing into compliance locally owned transportation facilities or services that are below an established level of service standard
 - Update forecasts of traffic for at least ten years based on the adopted Land Use Element to provide information on the location, timing, and capacity needs of future growth
 - Identify state and local system needs to meet current and future demands



2025 Topics to Address as Part of the Update

- Update financial analysis, including:
 - An analysis of funding capability to judge needs against probable funding resources
 - A multiyear financing plan based on the needs identified in the Comprehensive Plan, the appropriate parts of which shall serve as the basis for the six-year street, road, or transit program required for cities and for public transportation systems
 - If probable funding falls short of meeting identified needs, a discussion of how additional funding will be raised, or how land use assumptions will be reassessed to ensure that level of service standards will be met
- The Transportation Plan, the six-year Capital Facilities Plans for cities and for public transportation systems, and the ten-year investment program for the state, must be consistent
- Provide a projection of state and local system needs to meet current and future demand



2025 Topics to Address as Part of the Update

- Provide a pedestrian and bicycle component to include collaborative efforts to identify and designate planned improvements for pedestrian and bicycle facilities and corridors that address and encourage enhanced community access and promote healthy lifestyles
- Consider approaches that increase physical activity
- Describe any existing and planned transportation demand management strategies, such as high occupancy vehicle lanes or subsidy programs and parking policies
- Provide an analysis of future funding capability to judge needs against probable funding resources
- Provide a multi-year financing plan based on needs identified in the Comprehensive Plan, the appropriate parts of which serve as the basis for the six-year street, road, or transit program
- If probable funding falls short of meeting identified needs, provide a discussion of how additional funds will be raised, or how land use assumptions will be reassessed to ensure that level of service standards will be met



2025 Topics to Address as Part of the Update

- Describe intergovernmental coordination efforts, including an assessment of the impacts of the Transportation Plan, land use assumptions on the transportation systems of adjacent jurisdictions, and how the Plan is consistent with the regional transportation plan
- Identify lands useful for public purposes such as utility corridors, transportation corridors, landfills, sewage treatment facilities, stormwater management facilities, recreation, schools, and other public uses
- Identify open space corridors within and between urban growth areas, including lands useful for trails
- Update, as needed, the process or criteria for identifying and locating essential public facilities in coordination with the update of the Lands for Public Purposes Element
- Update demand-management strategies
- Update information on pedestrian and bicycle component to include collaborative efforts to identify and designate planned improvements for pedestrian and bicycle facilities and corridors that address and encourage enhanced community access and promote healthy lifestyles



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- Revisions to allow for some form of Intercity Transit turnarounds on Littlerock Road and Old Highway 99 to allow for future transit services
- Update to include work done on the Thurston Thrives walkability study, Intercity Transit studies, and the Old Highway 99 Corridor Study
- Allow active transportation facilities, transportation demand management, or public transportation services to meet concurrency
- Incorporate equitable implementation
- Estimate multimodal level of service impacts to state transportation facilities
- Add impact fee revenue for bike and pedestrian facilities
- Provide multimodal level of service and needs forecasts for arterials, transit routes, and active transportation facilities
- Give priority to the greatest multimodal safety benefit to each category of roadway users
- Include Americans with Disabilities Act transition plan
- Provide funding analysis that includes state transportation facilities



New Requirement: Incorporate Environmental Justice


Special consideration for environmental justice in goals and policies
(E2SHB 1181)



Structure of Current Transportation Master Plan

1. Introduction
2. Vision
3. Sub-Area Plans
4. Consistency
5. Modes of Travel
6. Managing Demand
7. Future Conditions
8. Goals and Policies
9. System Inventory
10. System Performance
11. Capital Improvements
12. Funding
13. Opportunities & Needs





strategies, and ensure land use compatibility in areas adjacent to the airport.


b. Support multimodal access to the Port of Olympia's airport terminal.

15. Public Involvement
Goal: Build a community of engaged and informed constituents that contributes ideas and supports actions to create a highly functional multimodal transportation system consistent with the goals and policies of this transportation element.

Policies:

- a. Provide broad-based, early, and continuing public involvement opportunities in all aspects of the transportation planning process.
- b. Ensure equal access to participation for all users of the transportation system.
- c. Promote increased public understanding of the relationships between land use patterns and transportation choices facing Tumwater.
- d. Explore innovative participation techniques to increase public involvement in transportation issues, and maximize use of "plain English" and other communication techniques to translate complex issues or decisions so they can be widely understood.

16. Intergovernmental Coordination
Goal: Ensure transportation facilities and programs function seamlessly across community borders.



Policies:

- a. Participate in coordination activities at the local, regional, state, tribal, and federal level that address the condition or operations of the transportation system.
- b. Work with other agencies to coordinate land use and public facility siting decisions, implement countywide planning policies, and refine the tools needed to achieve

Transportation Master Plan

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Current Transportation Master Plan

Link to current Transportation Master Plan:

<https://www.ci.tumwater.wa.us/home/showpublisheddocument/12124/637225343085330000>



Commerce Transportation Guidance Materials

- Your Community's Transportation System (2012)



Next Steps

- Advertise RFQ to bring a consultant on board
- General Government Committee briefing January 10, 2024



Comments and Contact information

Written comments are welcome at any time during the periodic update process and staff will address and publish all formal comments

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