



REPORT TO PLANNING COMMISSION City of Sacramento

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STAFF REPORT
August 13, 2009

Members of the Planning Commission

Subject: 2010 Transportation Programming Guide (TPG)

Location/Council District: Citywide

Recommendation: Review and Comment - Submit project ideas for evaluation and inclusion into the 2010 TPG.

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Description/ Analysis

Background Information

The TPG is a comprehensive document that outlines the City's current and future transportation needs. The TPG serves several purposes including: summarizing the City's transportation programs and projects; establishing program and project rankings; and providing the City Council with information to make project funding decisions. The TPG is divided into eleven sections as follows:

- Major Street Improvements
- Street Maintenance
- Street Reconstruction
- Traffic Signals
- Bicycle Section
- Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation
- Streetscape Enhancements
- Pedestrian Improvements
- Speed Humps
- Train Horn Quiet Zone
- Development Driven (projects listed, but not scored and ranked)

TPG Process

The TPG process is divided into several tasks including: developing project scoring criteria for each program area; scoring and ranking projects; and writing the final text of the document.

Throughout the TPG process, staff continues to work with the TPG Community Advisory Committee (CAC), a staff working group, and the community.

The staff working group consists of representatives from Planning, Economic Development, Traffic Engineering, Street Maintenance, and the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency (SHRA). Ultimately, the City Council approves updates to the scoring criteria and the scored and ranked project list.

Staff is not proposing any scoring criteria modifications for the 2010 TPG.

Speed Hump Section Language Update

The City of Sacramento Speed Hump Program is formally changing names to the Speed Lump Program to reflect current practice. Speed lumps have been installed in place of speed humps in the City since Fall 2007 and have resulted in comparable speed reduction to speed humps, better visibility and a reduction in delay to emergency vehicle response time by six seconds per device. Clarifications are also being made to the language in the Speed Hump Guidelines. These changes will not effect the current criteria or ranking process.

Project Ideas Solicitation

Staff is seeking input on transportation project ideas in the following categories:

- Major Street Improvements - Includes road widening, road extensions or connections, grade separations (overpasses or underpasses), intersection construction, or other large road modifications
- Traffic Signals - Includes new traffic signals or roundabouts for controlling traffic at intersections. Intersections are evaluated to see if a traffic signal is warranted. Other traffic control measures may be installed and then monitored for effectiveness.
- Bicycle Section - Includes on-street bikeways, off-street bike/pedestrian trails, and bike/pedestrian bridges
- Streetscape Enhancements - Includes landscaping of street medians, curbside planters, etc.
- Pedestrian Improvements - Includes adding or improving sidewalks and/or crosswalks
- Speed Humps/Lumps - Roadway segments are evaluated for possible installation of Speed Humps or Lumps to control speed in residential areas, park areas, and school zones.

You can submit your project ideas for the 2010 TPG by contacting Suzan Tobin at stobin@cityofsacramento.org or call 916 808 7803. Project ideas should be submitted by the August 28, 2009.

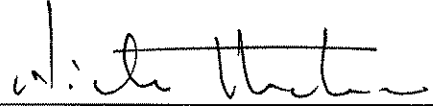
Policy Considerations: The TPG scoring and ranking criteria are consistent with the 2030 General Plan adopted by City Council on March 3, 2009.

Environmental Considerations: The requested action is not subject to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under the general rule (Section 15061 (b)(3)) that CEQA applies only to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.

Rationale for Recommendation: In past years, the Planning Commission has requested that staff present the TPG during its development process to allow the Planning Commission an opportunity to provide comments on any proposed criteria modifications and to submit project ideas.

Financial Considerations: There are no financial considerations associated with this report. The TPG is not a funding document, but is a tool used to assist in identifying and ranking the City's transportation needs.

Respectfully submitted by: 
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Recommendation Approved:

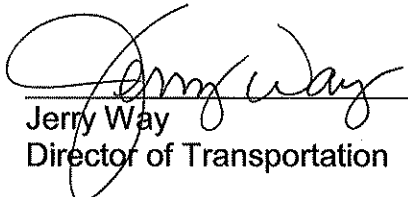

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