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TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMMING GUIDE  
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## **INTRODUCTION**

### **BACKGROUND**

The Transportation Programming Guide (TPG) is a comprehensive document that ranks the City of Sacramento's transportation programs and projects. Ten transportation program areas are identified:

- Major Street Improvements
- Street Maintenance
- Street Reconstruction
- Traffic Signals
- Alternate Modes
- Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation
- Streetscape Enhancement
- Pedestrian Improvements (added this year)
- Speed Humps
- Train Horn Quiet Zones

The Transportation Programming Guide also summarizes development driven projects in the following areas:

- North Natomas
- River District (Richards Boulevard)/Railyards Area
- Granite Regional Park
- South Natomas
- Delta Shores

Although projects are ranked within the ten program areas, this document is a guide identifying the relative transportation merit of the individual projects evaluated. It may occasionally be appropriate to take projects out of order because of funding source availability, project feasibility or deliverability, physical constraints, and/or partnerships with other agencies or groups.

### **CITY AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP**

During development of the Year 2008 Transportation Programming Guide, City staff worked with a Council-appointed Community Advisory Committee. This committee was comprised of members who represent:

- The Mayor
- Each of the Councilmembers
- The Sacramento Area Bicycle Advocates; and
- Breathe California ( formerly The American Lung Association)

City staff also conducted an outreach program, which intended to maximize the opportunity for community input throughout the development of the Transportation Programming Guide. The outreach process was comprised of several tasks that are listed below:

- Meeting with Councilmembers: These meetings provided for the opportunity for Councilmembers to provide input, review draft deliverables, and hear highlights of input received from the community.
- Interactive Website: The Transportation Programming Guide web page was frequently updated to allow input from the community and to provide draft deliverables for public review.
- Presentations to BAC & Planning Commission: Presentations were given to the Bicycle Advisory Committee and the Planning Commission for input.
- Presentations/Announcements to Neighborhood Service Area (NSA) Leadership Meetings: With the assistance of the NSA directors, presentations were given to the NSA Leadership. Announcements were made at these meetings regarding availability of deliverables and review periods and meetings dates.
- Public Open House: A public open house was held early in the process in March, 2007. The purpose of the open house was to educate the public on the TPG and solicit input from the community.

## **DEVELOPMENT OF THE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMMING GUIDE**

City staff, working with the Community Advisory Committee and incorporating input received through the outreach program, made some minor modifications to the previous years' criteria. The criteria modifications were approved by the City Council on February 12, 2008.

The Pedestrian Improvement Program is a new section that was added to this year's Transportation Programming Guide. This section prioritizes improvements that will provide pathways, crossings, and other pedestrian amenities throughout the city. The previous Transportation Programming Guides had a Sidewalks to Schools Program that prioritized sidewalk projects eligible for Federal and State Safe Routes to Schools grants. This section has been merged with the Pedestrian Improvements Section and the Safe Routes to Schools projects have been flagged.

Project ideas were solicited from Mayor and City Council, the Planning Commission, City staff, Community Advisory Committee, the general public, City Manager's Office and Neighborhood Services. Staff screened project suggestions for eligibility and applied the Council-approved criteria to score and rank eligible projects. The scored and ranked project lists were reviewed by City staff and the Community Advisory Committee to ensure that the criteria were applied correctly. The scored and ranked lists were approved by City Council on May 20, 2008.