TRANSPORTATION CHECK IN

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   Goals & policies, modal networks, and project list

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   Financial considerations, project prioritization

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   2040 & beyond
GROWTH ALLOCATIONS

- Accommodate growth allocations
- Plan for 105,639 new residents and 95,713 new jobs
PUBLIC OUTREACH EFFORTS

- Stakeholder Interviews
- Community Events
- Project Website
"Tacoma is a **sustainable** community with many diverse residents, businesses, and visitors who have various transportation priorities. The city is **strategic** in how it plans its transportation system with an emphasis on carrying the people and goods that foster Tacoma's culture, character, and competitiveness. The transportation system offers **multimodal** travel options that provide safe access for all users and neighborhoods, encourage **healthy living**, and protect the **environment**."
Layered networks recognize that while all traveler types need to be accommodated within a community, no single street can accommodate all transportation users at all times.
Four Types of Cyclists By Proportion of Population

- Interested But Concerned - 60%
- No Way No How - 33%
- Strong & Fearless - <1%
- Enthused & Confident - 7%

Source: Portland, OR DOT
FREIGHT NETWORK
ADDRESSING CONFLICTS BETWEEN MODES
The following actions can support parking demand management:

- Once on-street parking supply utilization exceeds 85 percent on roadway segments during business hours, consider implementing time limits or parking charges to encourage parking space turnover.
- If parking spillover is perceived as an issue on residential streets, consider establishing residential parking zones (RPZs) to maintain curb space for neighborhood residents and their visitors.
- As centers develop, review Tacoma’s parking codes to ensure they align with the desired urban setting. This may include adopting parking maximums rather than minimums for new developments and major remodels.
- Encourage more shared parking by developing public parking facilities that promote a “park once” concept, whereby people can park in a central location and walk to several activities from there.
- Provide free or reduced cost parking only for employees using registered carpools and vanpools at each work site; eliminate free parking for drive-alone employees.
- Encourage all Tacoma employers to offer parking cash-out programs, which subsidize employees’ transportation costs through monetary benefits rather than free parking.
IMPLEMENTATION ITEMS

- Identification of funding
- Project prioritization / performance measurement
- Rolled into the Transportation Element 20 Year Project List
HOW THE TMP INFORMS THE TRANSPORTATION ELEMENT

**TMP SCOPE** vs. **TE SCOPE**

- **PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT**
- **PLANNING CONTEXT**
- **GOALS AND POLICIES**
- **ULTIMATE MODAL NETWORKS**
  - Pedestrian
  - Bicycle
  - Transit
  - Freight
  - Auto
- **DEMAND-SIDE APPROACHES**
- **ROADWAY TYPOLOGIES**
- **LONG TERM PROJECT LIST** (Beyond 20 years)
- **PERFORMANCE MEASURES & PRIORITIZATION CRITERIA**
- **FINANCIAL PLAN**
- **LOOKING BEYOND 2040**
- **PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT**
- **GOALS AND POLICIES**
- **20 YEAR PROJECT LIST**
- **20 YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN**
The City will build the transportation system at a rate equal or ahead of the pace of development during the planning horizon.

This system completeness LOS standard will be accompanied by performance measures that track the transportation system’s progress toward meeting policy goals.
KEY ADVANTAGES OF SYSTEM COMPLETENESS POLICY

- Ties most cleanly to City’s layered network and green hierarchy
- Doesn’t prescribe arbitrary standard (roadway speed or delay threshold) be met, which could have unknown costs or impacts to bicycle/pedestrian modes
- Can be tied to performance measures, as proposed in the TMP
- Ease of tracking and administration for city staff
QUESTIONS?

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