



ASSETS AND INFRASTRUCTURE STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT

Title 2023 Transportation Master Plan

Meeting Date December 7, 2023

Submitted By Deputy Mayor Campbell, Chair – Assets and Infrastructure Standing Policy Committee

Recommendation from Assets and Infrastructure Standing Policy Committee:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT City Council:

1. Adopt the 2023 Transportation Master Plan, as in Attachment 1, in principle, to provide direction for the continued development of transportation networks and programs in the city, as well as to provide access to transportation funding sources that require a Transportation Master Plan; and
2. Direct Administration to return to City Council, through the Economic and Finance Standing Policy Committee, for approval of any of the objectives identified in the 2023 Transportation Master Plan, as follows:
 - a) Capital Projects to be submitted to future Capital Improvement Program (CIP) deliberations;
 - b) Initiatives requiring operating budget changes to be submitted to future Operating Budget deliberations.

Vote:

In Favour: 4-0 (Unanimous)

Public Speakers at the Meeting: None

Public Submissions: None

Submitted By Adam St. Amant, Transportation Engineer

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Summary

The City's 2023 Transportation Master Plan is a long-term plan for how the City's transportation networks will interface with one another to enhance the mobility choices of residents, visitors and workers, support goods movement, and connect land uses. Community engagement, the new travel demand model, technical analysis, and previous plans and studies all informed the development of the Transportation Master Plan.

Recommendation(s)

That the Assets and Infrastructure Standing Policy Committee recommends that Council:

1. Adopt the 2023 Transportation Master Plan.

Financial

Funding for projects and programs identified in the 2023 Transportation Master Plan will be requested with future Capital Improvement Programs and Operating Budgets. Existing Capital Improvement Programs and Operating Budgets already cover several projects and programs identified in the Transportation Master Plan.

Background and Prior Decisions

Capital Improvement Program 2018-2027

- C-17 Transportation Master Plan Update

Bylaw 6265 - Municipal Development Plan (Approved by City Council June 29, 2021)

- Policy 127 - ENSURE the city's transportation systems connect people to where they live, work and play, by reviewing, updating and implementing the Transportation Master Plan.
 - a. Update the Transportation Master Plan at regular and scheduled intervals, taking into account emerging trends in transportation infrastructure and technology. This MDP will be used to guide the next iteration of the Transportation Master Plan.
- MDP transportation policies 121 – 137 will be supported by the Transportation Master Plan

Assets & Infrastructure Standing Policy Committee (Formerly Civic Works SPC)

- TMP Vision Statement Workshop (April 1, 2021)
- TMP Phase 1 and Phase 2 Community Engagement Update (December 2, 2021)
- TMP Findings and Opportunities Workshop (May 5, 2022)
- TMP Transportation Master Plan Draft Executive Summary (June 1, 2023)

City Council

- Adopted TMP Vision Statement (April 20, 2021)
- Received Phase 1 and Phase 2 Community Engagement Update as Information (December 14, 2021)
- Received the Third River Crossing Review as Information (October 11, 2022)

Received the Transportation Master Plan Draft Executive Summary as Information (June 13, 2023)

Engagement

| Engagement Activity | Approximate Date | Number of Participants |
|--|------------------|------------------------|
| Civic Works Visioning Workshop | April 2021 | 7 |
| Online City Administration Workshop | April – May 2021 | 10 |
| Online Survey (Get Involved Lethbridge) | May – Sept 2021 | 512 |
| Online Interviews with External Stakeholders | May – June 2021 | 13 |
| Online Information Session | June 2021 | 19 |

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| Online Indigenous Community Partners Workshop | June – July 2021 | 6 |
| Online Accessibility Workshop | July 2021 | 8 |
| Online Survey (Get Involved Lethbridge) | Sept – Oct 2021 | 591 |
| Online Accessibility Stakeholder Workshop | Aug 2022 | 10 |
| Online External Stakeholder Workshops | Sept 2022 | 29 |
| Intercept Events (College, University, Transit Hub) | Sept – Oct 2022 | 225 |
| Online Internal Stakeholder Workshop | Jan 2023 | 22 |
| Community Conversations Event | Jan 2023 | 200 |
| Online Survey (Get Involved Lethbridge) | Jan-Feb 2023 | 421 |
| Reconciliation Lethbridge Meeting | Jan 2023 | 12 |
| Youth Advisory Committee Meeting | Jan 2023 | 7 |
| TOTAL | | 2,092 |

Summaries of the engagements can be found in the What We Heard Reports on the Get Involved Lethbridge Transportation Master Plan project website (see Link 1 below).

Recommendation and Option(s) Analysis

The 2023 Transportation Master Plan will replace the 2012 Transportation Master Plan. The 2023 Transportation Master Plan is recommended to be adopted to establish capital projects and operating programs to continue building and maintaining the city's transportation networks.

- *Community/Citizen*
 - Social – Multi-modal transportation systems that provide for safe and accessible active transportation such as walking and biking provide health benefits through increased physical activity and stress reductions to people who choose these modes.
 - Economic – The transportation network facilitates the movement of people and goods in the city. Providing a multi-modal transportation system that considers how people and goods get around maximizes the options and opportunities for personal mobility.
 - Environmental – Providing opportunities to reduce reliance on single occupancy vehicles can reduce the environmental impacts of the transportation system.
- *Risk*
 - A Transportation Master Plan is required to access a variety of funding programs. Not having a Transportation Master Plan in place would limit funding opportunities.
- *Implementation and Communication Plan*
- The final 2023 Transportation Master Plan will be posted to the Get Involved Lethbridge website. Notification of project completion with a link to the final document will be sent to project stakeholders. Individual projects and programs identified in the Transportation Master Plan will need engagement.

Attachment(s)

1. 2023 Transportation Master Plan
2. 2023 Transportation Master Plan Presentation

Link(s)

1. Get Involved Lethbridge Transportation Master Plan Project Website
<https://getinvolvedlethbridge.ca/transportation-master-plan>
2. Capital Improvement Program 2018-2027
<https://www.lethbridge.ca/media/xynbgl02/capital-improvement-program-2018-2027.pdf>
3. Bylaw 6265 - Municipal Development Plan
https://ecom.lethbridge.ca/mycity/planningDocuments/MDP_Final.pdf
4. Adopted TMP Vision Statement
https://agendas.lethbridge.ca/AgendaOnline/Documents/DownloadFile/City_Council_2874_Minutes_4_20_2021_1_30_00_PM.pdf?documentType=2&meetingId=2874
5. Phase 1 and Phase 2 Community Engagement Update
https://agendas.lethbridge.ca/AgendaOnline/Documents/Downloadfile/City_Council_Meeting_3282_Agenda_Packet_12_14_2021_1_30_00_PM.pdf?documentType=5&meetingId=3282&isAttachment=True
6. Third River Crossing Review
https://agendas.lethbridge.ca/AgendaOnline/Documents/Downloadfile/City_Council_Meeting_3655_Agenda_Packet_10_11_2022_1_30_00_PM.pdf?documentType=5&meetingId=3655&isAttachment=True
7. Transportation Master Plan Draft Executive Summary
https://agendas.lethbridge.ca/AgendaOnline/Documents/Downloadfile/City_Council_3951_Agenda_Packet_6_13_2023_1_30_00_PM.pdf?documentType=5&meetingId=3951&isAttachment=True

Approvals

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