



City of Arts & Innovation

Mobility & Infrastructure Committee Memorandum

TO: MOBILITY & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE DATE: MAY 8, 2025
FROM: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT WARDS: ALL
SUBJECT: TRANSPORTATION BOARD 2025 WORK PLAN

ISSUE:

Review and approval of the Transportation Board's 2025 Work Plan.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Mobility & Infrastructure Committee review and approve recommendations to the City Council regarding the Transportation Board's 2025 Work Plan.

BOARD RECOMMENDATION:

On March 5, 2024, the Transportation Board scheduled this item on the meeting agenda. Due to a lack of a quorum, the meeting was cancelled. Consistent with historical practice, the agenda item was forwarded directly to the Mobility & Infrastructure Committee Meeting for review and approval.

BACKGROUND:

To ensure the work of boards and commissions align with the City Charter and Envision Riverside 2025 Strategic Plan, the City Manager's Office requested each board or commission to develop an Annual Workplan. Each workplan will be taken to the respective City Council Standing Committee for review and approval with the workplans earmarked to begin in March 2025 and conclude in February 2026.

Resolution 23976 identifies the three boards and commissions under the purview of the Mobility and Infrastructure Committee: the Board of Public Utilities, Transportation Board, and Airport Commission.

DISCUSSION:

The Transportation Board was established to serve in an advisory capacity to the Mayor and City Council in matters pertaining to on-street and off-street parking concerns, regulation of traffic on city streets, review of traffic construction projects, proposed amendments to the Circulation and Community Mobility Element of the General Plan, annual review of the traffic signal synchronization master plan, neighborhood traffic calming alternatives, review of speed limits, traffic operations, and circulation matters.

Riverside Municipal Code 2.62.030 identifies the powers, duties, and functions of the Transportation Board as follows:

- A. Advise the City Council with respect to on-street and off-street parking of vehicles.
- B. Advise the City Council with respect to the regulation of traffic on City streets.
- C. Annually review Public Works Department proposed Capital Improvements Projects, including traffic signal construction, and make recommendations to the City Council.
- D. Review proposed amendments to the Circulation and Community Mobility Element of the General Plan and make recommendations to the Planning Commission and the City Council.
- E. Annually review the City's Traffic Signal Synchronization Master Plan and make recommendations to the City Council.
- F. Explore neighborhood traffic calming alternatives and make recommendations to the City Council.
- G. Review speed limits, major road closures, grade crossings and other traffic operation and circulation matters and make recommendations to the City Council, when requested.
- H. Perform other functions and duties as may be directed by the City Council.

A summary of the accomplishments of the Transportation Board in 2024, the following agenda items were successfully recommended for approval:

- 1. Removal of Preferential Permit Parking Zone on Abilene Road, Tenth Street
- 2. Speed Limit Zone and establishment – Appian Way, Acorn Street, & Mission Grove Parkway
- 3. Redwood Drive two-way circulation pilot project
- 4. Alamo St at Rivera temporary cul-de-sac closure
- 5. Establish 5-ton weight restrictions on Filmore Street, and axle restrictions on Madison Street, Placentia Lane
- 6. Establish Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) Mitigation Bank Pilot Program

To assist the Transportation Board in meeting the objectives set by the City Council, a work plan has been developed to identify goals to be accomplished by the Board in 2025. Draft work plans for all boards and commissions will be presented to the Mobility & Infrastructure Committee for feedback and direction. All Board actions and goals set forth in the final 2025 work plan will be included in the 2025 Transportation Board Annual Performance Report.

2025 Workplan Objectives and Goals for the Transportation Board include:

1. Ensure all Wards are represented at Transportation Board meetings by establishing a board member attendance of 80%.
2. Recommend pilot and long-term complete streets-oriented improvements for regulatory compliance and community safety enhancement including, but not limited to pedestrian crossings & corridors, bicycle facilities, neighborhood traffic calming, speed limit signs, truck restrictions signs, parking signs, and turn restriction signs.
3. Provide recommendations during annual review of the City's Traffic Signal Synchronization Master Plan and proposed Capital Improvement Projects.
4. Explore innovative transportation solutions to address neighborhood community challenges and solicit feedback through public outreach and engagement efforts.
5. Participate in the Safe Routes to School planning process, engage in updates to the Riverside General Plan, Riverside PACT, and Local Roadway Safety Plan, and coordinate with the Police Services Division to review the Major Accident Investigation Team (MAIT) report.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

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Attachments:

1. 2025 Work Plan
2. Presentation