

Policy Plan Amendment: Transportation Element

Planning Commission Policy Plan Committee
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Transportation Element - Revision Strategy



- ✓ Reviewed existing objectives and policies
- ✓ Coordinated with Topic Leads team, Planning Commission liaisons, Transportation Advisory Commission (TAC), county agencies, internal FCDOT teams, community and other non-county entities
- ✓ Prepared research papers:
 - [Comprehensive Transportation Analysis](#)
 - [Activating and Completing Fairfax County Streets](#)
 - [Micromobility, Microtransit and Autonomous Vehicles](#)
- ✓ Aligned with adopted county plans and policies
- ✓ Reorganized, updated structure and added new objectives per Board Authorization
- ✓ Revised and added new policies to support objectives
- ✓ Updated Appendices



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Transportation Element - Public Comment



Comments

- Need more sidewalks, bike lanes.
- Too much traffic, cars.
- Increase bus service.
- Manage through traffic.

Support

- Excited for update.
- Should've done sooner.
- Love active streets, mobility.

Safety

- Too many accidents with pedestrians.
- Need more (and safer) crosswalks.
- Better lighting.

Future

- Support electric cars and charging.
- Fix roads.
- Improve safety for peds, bikes, vehicles.
- Reduce traffic congestion.
- Fund more bike lanes and trails.
- Carbon reduction.
- Flexibility with policies, regulations.
- Autonomous vehicles.
- Test new technologies.



Planning and Design

- Transit-Oriented development & 15-min neighborhoods.
- Telework & TDM.
- Widely accessible transit, BRT.
- Add street trees.

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Transportation Element - Changes



Revised Introduction - Coordinated with New Comprehensive Plan Overview

- ✓ Removed dated information
- ✓ Updated transportation strategy
- ✓ Aligned with new policies and strategies

New Structure - Order of Objectives and Policies

- ✓ Noted redundancies in objectives and policies, outdated terminology
- ✓ Reorganized structure - new objectives supported by new policies
- ✓ Introduced revised terms, equitable access to transportation
- ✓ Recognized trends and technology to continually go forward
- ✓ Promote active transportation, transit, safety, environmental stewardship

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Transportation Element - New Objectives



New #	Revised Objective	Policy Themes
1	Multimodal Transportation System	Travel options, streetscapes and placemaking, improve access
2	Land Use & Transportation	Complementary system with multimodal connections
3	Active Transportation	Develop and enhance active facilities, micromobility, promote walkable and bikeable communities
4	Public Transit	Increase public transportation, improve facilities/services, expand Metrorail and BRT options
5	Safety	Prioritize safety for vulnerable users of facilities/services, upgrade non-standard streets
6	Transp. Demand Management (TDM)	Promote and implement strategies, reduce SOVs, flexible work schedules
7	Technology & Infrastructure	Improve and maximize operations for all modes, support and adapt to emerging technologies
8	Transportation & Environment	Minimize adverse impacts on community, environment, reduce vehicle emissions
9	Community Engagement	Collaborate with public and stakeholders for transportation projects, design, and prioritization
10	Funding	Identify and secure funding to fully implement the planned multimodal system

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Transportation Element - Figures & Appendices



Revised Figures

- ✓ Large-scale maps found in Comprehensive Plan Policy Maps webpages
- ✓ Online versions are up-to-date

Appendices 1-4

- ✓ Revisions to text for readability and understanding
 - Roadway system functional classification
 - Transit services and facilities
 - Bike and trail classifications, definitions
 - Right-of-way needs and cross-sections updated, e.g. revised dimensions for vehicles and active transportation needs

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Contact Information and Resources



- To learn more about the project, visit our project webpage: [Plan Amendment 2022-CW-2CP | Planning Development \(fairfaxcounty.gov\)](https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/planning-development/plan-amendment-2022-cw-2cp)
- To review the current Transportation Element, please visit: [Document Viewer | Policy Plan](#)
- To review the draft Transportation Element text, please visit: [Policy Plan Transportation Element](#)
- To provide comments please contact: PlanForwardFFX@PublicInput.com



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Questions and Discussion

