

Russian Jack Community Council Capital Improvement List for 2021

Road and Pedestrian Improvements

Boniface Pkwy Pedestrian Improvements - DeBarr Rd to 22nd Ave (10-22)

Cost: \$3,700,000

Funds on Hand: \$240,000

Additional funds required: \$3,460,000

Need: As identified in the Pedestrian Plan, pedestrian facilities are missing on Boniface Parkway between DeBarr Road and Northern Lights Boulevard.

Project scope: This project is exploring alternatives for pedestrian facilities on Boniface Parkway between DeBarr Road and 22nd Avenue for pedestrians and bicyclists.

Project Status: Project is on a funding hold. Design Study Memo has been completed. State grant funding required since the project is in a state-owned right-of-way.

Northern Lights Blvd at Bragaw St Pedestrian Crossing Improvements

Cost: \$450,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$450,000

Need: This is a busy pedestrian crossing used by East High students. This project is included in the Anchorage Pedestrian Plan. This project is a high priority for the Airport Heights Community Council.

Project scope: Construct pedestrian friendly crossing signals and improve crosswalk visibility.

Project Status: No work is currently scheduled in the 6-year Capital Improvement Program. The project will remain on the Capital Project Needs List for future funding consideration since it is included in the Anchorage Pedestrian Plan.

Rehabilitate roads in the area of 20th and 24th Avenues between Boniface Parkway and Glacier Street.

Cost: \$3,500,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$3,500,000

Need: deteriorating road conditions and no storm drain system creating potholes, cracked pavement, pooling of water and general overall bad road conditions.

Project scope: Install the approved storm drain system for the area bounded by 22nd and Northern Lights Boulevard, Glacier Street and Wesleyan Drive to prevent flooding of adjacent properties.

Project Status: No work is currently scheduled

Pine St/McCarrey St Surface Rehab - Mountain View Drive to DeBarr Road

Cost: \$3,200,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$3,200,000

Need: Pavement is deteriorating and rehabilitation will be required. Some segments of this road rated a Condition E in the 2014 GASB survey, but most were C and D. Project scope: This project will overlay or replace pavement on this collector street. ADA upgrades, curb and sidewalk repair, and traffic calming may also be included. Project Status: This project has not started. No work is underway and no funding is proposed in the six-year Capital Improvement Program. The project will remain on the Capital Project Needs List for future funding consideration.

Bragaw St at Penland Pkwy Traffic Safety Crossing

Cost: \$150,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$150,000

Need: This intersection serves as the primary pedestrian access between the high-density residential area to the east and the commercial district to the west. This project is included in the Anchorage Pedestrian Plan.

Project scope: This project will install new pedestrian safety crossing signals and improve crosswalk visibility.

Project Status: No work is currently scheduled in the 6-year Capital Improvement Program. The project will remain on the Capital Project Needs List for future funding consideration.

ARDSA Alley Paving

Cost: \$300,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$300,000

Need: There are over 300 unpaved alleys in ARDSA. Unpaved alleys are a nuisance for residents and businesses. Dusty alleys negatively impact the air quality over the Municipality.

Project scope: This program will systematically pave all remaining unpaved alleys in ARDSA.

Project Status: This is an annual program to pave 10-12 alleys each summer in the Anchorage Roads and Drainage Service Area (ARDSA).

6th Ave at Boniface Pkwy Separated east and west-bound left turn lane

Cost: \$2,500,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$2,500,000

Need: Interest has been expressed in adding separated turn lanes to allow more traffic to move through the intersection in the same amount of green time.

Project scope: This project will install separated left turn lanes.

Project Status: No work is currently scheduled in the 6-year Capital Improvement Program. The project will remain on the Capital Project Needs List for evaluation and prioritization and also forwarded for funding consideration through the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP).

Boniface Pkwy Access Management - Tudor Rd to Glenn Hwy

Cost: \$20,000,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$20,000,000

Need: The MTP identifies this as a future expressway that could be reconfigured to focus on moving traffic north and south. No studies have been completed.

Project scope: Improvements would focus on limiting access to improve traffic moving capacity.

Project Status: No work is underway or scheduled. This project is included in the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and is a state owned facility. Prioritization and funding would be through the State of Alaska.

Pedestrian and bicycle access from Pine St to Russian Jack Springs Park

Cost: unknown

Funds on Hand: \$0

Need: Community has identified this project and area as a need to be focused on.

Project scope: Improvements would focus on creating better access to improve safety.

Project Status: No work is underway or scheduled.

Intersection (the T) of San Roberto and Lane - Pedestrian and Safety Upgrades

Cost: unknown

Funds on Hand: \$0

Need: Community has identified this project as a high need due to the number of children crossing in this area. Safety upgrades need to be made.

Project scope: Improvements would focus on creating better access to improve safety.

School Pedestrian and Safety Upgrades

Cost: \$500,000 (Full cost for improvements unknown)

Funds on Hand: \$0

Need: Community has identified all schools in the Russian Jack Community Council area need to focus on pedestrian and safety upgrades.

Project scope: Improvements would focus on creating better access to improve safety and ensuring Safe Routes to Schools which have been identified by the Municipality of Anchorage manual. All schools should be evaluated for improved lighting and pedestrian improvements to ensure all children have safe walking routes to school. Community has identified the following specific areas of improvements, but not limited to, improve the lighting along Hoyt Street between 6th Avenue and San Ernesto / San Antonio for Williwaw Elementary School student traffic and all walkways to Wonder Park Elementary School, including from 6th Avenue to 4th Avenue and from Fireoved and Camelot to the school. Look at ways to hinder bicycles from entering 6th Avenue at unsafe speeds.

Project Status: No work is underway or scheduled.

Traffic Calming

Cost: \$500,000 (total cost unknown)

Funds on Hand: \$0

Need: Community has identified numerous traffic calming measures that need to be done to keep communities safe by slowing down vehicles in our neighborhoods and around schools

Project scope: Look at different traffic calming measures including speed humps, flashing lights and other potential methods that will slow cars down. Some of the community projects identified include, but are not limited to: Traffic calming for Pine Street between Debarr Road and Reka Drive, Traffic calming for the Russian Jack community area, especially along the segments of 8th and 9th Avenues adjacent to Bragaw Street, including fixed radar speed signs.

Project Status: No work is underway or scheduled.

Parks and Recreation

Russian Jack Springs Park

Cost: \$2,000,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$2,000,000

Need: The Russian Jack Springs Park Master Plan Committee has been meeting and is in the final stages of finalizing the plan. Some of the major priorities identified include updating and maintaining many of the assets in the park including repaving the trails, lighting, updating the Chalet, new ground surface for the Polar Bear Park, maintaining bike trails, and more.

Project scope: Community identified priorities. Paved trail and bridge renovation. Update and repave access to park on East 20th, and review other entrances to the park that need updating and increased lighting.

Project Status: Park Maintenance performs monthly safety inspections and repairs the park assets as necessary.

San Antonio Park

Cost: \$100,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$100,000

Need: San Antonio Park is an important playground for the Russian Jack neighborhood. The playground and safety surfacing need to be compliant with current industry-wide safety standards.

Project scope: Funds will be used to repair the playground and safety surfacing and fix neighborhood park amenities.

Project Status: Park Maintenance performs monthly safety inspections and repairs the park assets as necessary.

Williwaw Park Upgrades

Cost:\$150,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional Funds Required:\$150,000

Need: Community residents have identified the need to upgrade and maintain the amenities at Williwaw Park, and the need for water supply at the park.

Project Scope: Upgrade and maintain current amenities. Review project to install a permanent water supply to Williwaw Park for irrigation of playing fields, playground grass-lands, and future public amenities.

Project Status: No work scheduled at this time.

Community Gardens for Russian Jack Community

Cost: \$150,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$150,000

Need: The public demand for plots in MOA Community Gardens far exceeds the current availability. New community gardens have been identified in a number of newly completed park master plans. Funding will be used to develop new community gardens in Russian Jack area.

Project scope: Identify appropriate site selection for community gardens in the Russian Jack Community Council area where development is appropriate. These funds will help to create design and management guidelines to assist the parks department in building and maintaining community gardens.

Project Status: The parks department currently manages community gardens at The Gardens @ Bragaw, C Street Gardens, Fairview Lions and McPhee Gardens