

2014 Capital Projects
Northstar - Community Council Priority List
Municipality of Anchorage
Area Wide - Parks and Recreation Projects

PRIORITY #	Estimated Cost		Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	Multi-use Athletic Field Rehabilitation			
Scope:	Funds will be used to rehabilitate existing fields to a reasonable standard for all users and increase field amenities to offer quality statewide and local spectator and player use.			
Need:	Athletic fields in Anchorage play an important role by promoting healthy recreational activities and helping young athletes develop positive life skills. They also play a significant role in statewide athletics. Anchorage is one location for the State Cup soccer competition, hosting statewide soccer tournaments sponsored by local soccer clubs as well as little league and adult softball tournaments that draw teams into Anchorage from around the region and the state. Accommodating the local and regional use of the athletic fields within the Municipality requires fields that can withstand intense use over the summer sports seasons. Past use has resulted in large ruts and depressions, exposed soil and stones, and other hazards that have the potential to cause serious injury to participants.			
Status:	Anchorage has 110 athletic fields to serve the community and state needs for healthy sports activities. Funds will be used to rehabilitate existing fields to safe and current field standards.			
	Storm Damage Clean-up: Forest Health and Park Safety			
Scope:	Funds will be used to conduct a follow-up risk assessment, develop a recommended strategy for species management (cottonwood, evergreen, birch), finalize a tree emergency plan and continue the clearing of hazard trees on parkland from the 2012 windstorm.			
Need:	In September of 2012 more than 5000 trees were lost during a windstorm. Initial assessments estimate clean-up to be over 1 million dollars. The Anchorage Urban Forester's plan to address the damage include a mix of volunteer clean-up, commercial sales and contracted clean-up. Currently, park assets are safe for park and trail users, however as conditions change, follow-up risk assessment and clean-up is required.			
Status:	Park Maintenance and horticulture crews have cleared parks and trails making current park assets safe for Anchorage citizens.			
	Campbell Creek Greenbelt			
Scope:	Asphalt repair, lighting assessment and improvements, bridge repair/replacement, signage improvements			
Need:	Anchorage has over 250 miles of paved trails. Current infrastructure is outdated, unsafe and in need of repair. Trail use, both summer and winter, will continue to increase and safety and quality condition of trail infrastructure and amenities needs to be a priority.			
Status:	Bond funding and State legislative grant requests are pending. Area-wide greenbelt trails (Campbell Creek Greenbelt, Chester Creek Greenbelt Coastal Trail and Ship Creek Trail) need a repair program to address safety and security concerns (over 250 miles).			
	Parks and Recreation Projects			
	Charles Smith Memorial Park (gorillas)			
Scope:	Funds will be used to install an outdoor gathering/picnic area and repair the basketball court.			
Need:	This neighborhood park (the one with the gorillas along the Chester Creek Trail) is in proximity to children and adults that live in high density housing. The open space is underutilized and improvements will bring more people to the park. The basketball court is well-used, but needs repairs to keep it in safe operating condition. Asphalt is cracking and hoops are in poor shape.			
Status:	Park Maintenance performs monthly safety inspections and repairs as necessary.			

Scope: Recommended alternative is to abandon the failing storm drain that crosses Loussac Place and to construct two new storm drain outfalls with oil/grit separators that will outfall into Municipal Parkland east of A Street. The existing outfall will continue to serve the Loussac Manor facility but none of the upgradient areas formerly served.

Need: The existing storm outfall is lower than the creek which causes sedimentation and ice build up in the system. The facility serves a local neighborhood. This project is a priority for street maintenance.

Status: DSR Draft review concluded December 2012. Contract amendment being processed for design of preferred alternative.

PRIORITY #	Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	\$4,000,000	\$0	\$4,000,000

Chester Creek Flooding - Lagoon to A St

Scope: This project will study the causes of flooding in this drainage basin and explore costs/options related to dredging the lagoon. Future funding will be pursued to implement the recommendations of the study.

Need: Flooding occurred in January 2009 impacting homes adjacent to the creek.

Status: Project funding is proposed as a combination of state grants and local road bonds.

PRIORITY #	Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	\$0	\$0	\$0

Chester Creek Trail Surface Rehab

Scope: Rehab the trail surface.

Need: Cracks and heaving on this trail are producing safety concerns with users.

Status: This project has not started. 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.

PRIORITY #	Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	\$650,000	\$0	\$650,000

Fireweed Ln at Arctic Blvd Pedestrian Safety

Scope: This project will construct pedestrian safety improvements to this intersection. The exact improvements will be determined in the design phase.

Need: This project is a priority in the Anchorage Pedestrian Plan. This is a high volume pedestrian area located between a residential area and the mid-town commercial district.

Status: This project has not started. State grant funding is proposed.

PRIORITY #	Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	\$18,600,000	\$1,475,000	\$17,125,000

Spenard Rd Reconstruction Phase II - Hillcrest Dr to Benson Blvd

Scope: This project will construct this minor arterial to current urban standards. Improvements are expected to include a new road base, curb and gutter, storm drain, transit improvements, lighting upgrades, pedestrian crossing improvements, and landscaping.

Need: The surface of the roadway is experiencing rutting, cracking, and pot holing to the point that safety may be impacted. Street maintenance expense has increased as a result of the road condition, which is deteriorating beyond the scope of normal maintenance. This corridor also includes the highest rate of pedestrian/bicycle related crashes in Anchorage.

Status: Design is substantially complete, pending resolution of the final scope. Right of Way acquisition and final design are on hold pending a decision on a 3-lane or a 4-lane section. Project funding is proposed with a combination of state grants and local road bonds. Construction is anticipated to begin in 2015 depending on the availability of funding.

PRIORITY #	Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	\$600,000	\$0	\$600,000

A St Pedestrian Improvements - 14th Ave to Chester Creek Trail

Scope: Construct pedestrian pathways on the west side of A St from 14th Ave to the Chester Creek trail.

State Road Projects

PRIORITY #	Need: The west side of A St has no pedestrian facilities between 14th Ave and the Chester Creek trail. This project is a priority for the South Addition Community Council.				
	Status: No work is underway and no funding is proposed in the six-year Capital Improvement Program. This is a state owned facility and prioritization and funding would be through the State of Alaska. The project will remain on the Capital Projects Needs List for future funding consideration.				
PRIORITY #	A S/C St Rut Repair - 5th Ave to International Airport Rd				
	Scope: This project will overlay or replace pavement on these major arterials.	Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required	
PRIORITY #	Need: Alaska Department of Transportation has identified these streets as a high priority rut repair project. This project is also a priority for the Fairview Community Council.	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$5,000,000	
	Status: This project has not started. This is one of the routes identified in the AMATS TIP for which surface rehab funding is programmed.				
PRIORITY #	A/C Couplet Restripe to 4-lane - 9th Ave to Tudor Rd				
	Scope: This project will restripe from the current 3-lane to a 4-lane configuration. Signal work is also anticipated.	Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required	
PRIORITY #	Need: When constructed, pavement width was constructed to allow for a future restripe to 4-lanes if and when traffic volumes demonstrated the need. No studies have been completed demonstrating the need at this time.	\$480,000	\$0	\$480,000	
	Status: No work is underway. This is a state owned facility and prioritization and funding would be through the State of Alaska.				
PRIORITY #	C St Pedestrian Improvements - 20th Ave to 22nd Ave				
	Scope: This project will construct pedestrian pathways from 20th Avenue to 22nd Avenue on both sides of C Street.	Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required	
PRIORITY #	Need: Both sides of C Street have missing links in the pedestrian pathways for this busy arterial. This project is a priority for the South Addition Community Council.	\$800,000	\$0	\$800,000	
	Status: No work is underway and no funding is proposed in the six-year Capital Improvement Program. This is a state owned facility and prioritization and funding would be through the State of Alaska. The project will remain on the Capital Projects Needs List for future funding consideration.				
PRIORITY #	Fireweed Ln Reconstruction - Spenard Rd to Seward Hwy				
	Scope: Project involves complete reconstruction of Fireweed Lane between Spenard Road and the Seward Highway and will include pedestrian, transit, bicycle and landscape improvements.	Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required	
PRIORITY #	Need: There are safety and capacity concerns with the existing 4-lane road section, especially with regard to pedestrians and non-motorized travel.	\$10,414,500	\$3,389,500	\$7,025,000	
	Status: Project transferred back to DOT and no work is underway. No work is currently scheduled in the 6-year Capital Improvement Program. This is a state owned facility and evaluation and funding would be by the State of Alaska.				
PRIORITY #	Ingra St/Gambell St Rut Repair - 5th Ave to 36th Ave				
	Scope: Complete rut repair improvements which may include pavement replacement or overlay.	Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required	
PRIORITY #	Need: Pavement is deteriorating on these major arterial routes.	\$13,200,000	\$0	\$13,200,000	
	Status: No work is underway. This is a state owned facility and evaluation and funding would be through the State of Alaska.				
PRIORITY #	Minnesota Dr Northbound Expansion - 16th Ave to 26th Ave				
	Scope: Complete rut repair improvements which may include pavement replacement or overlay.	Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required	
PRIORITY #	Need: Pavement is deteriorating on these major arterial routes.	\$0	\$0	\$0	
	Status: No work is underway. This is a state owned facility and evaluation and funding would be through the State of Alaska.				

Scope:	Add a north bound lane.
Need:	Traffic is expected to continue to increase beyond the capacity of the existing configuration.
Status:	No work is underway or scheduled in the six-year Capital Improvement Program. This is a state-owned facility and evaluation and funding would be by the State of Alaska.

PRIORITY #

	Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
Seward Highway to Glenn Highway Connection (H2H) - Bragaw St to Tudor Rd	\$765,500,000	\$21,155,000	\$744,345,000
Scope:	Connect the Seward Highway to the Glenn Highway with a controlled access freeway. Project may include an 8-lane highway segment between Bragaw Street and Tudor Road. More details will be developed through the design and public involvement process.		
Need:	The Highway to Highway improvements are considered necessary to address capacity, demand, safety, and system linkage to major destinations and freight mobility on the existing Seward Highway and Glenn Highway NHS routes. These NHS routes provide access to major employment centers in downtown and midtown Anchorage and major intermodal port, rail, and airport facilities. The Seward and Glenn Highway NHS routes are divided highways coming into the center of Anchorage, which transition to urban arterial streets with connecting roads, stop lights, and commercial and residential access. The urban arterial segments of the routes are characterized by high travel demand, congestion, and resulting safety issues caused by traffic levels that have exceeded the capacity of the existing arterial street network.		
Status:	Funding for this project is programmed by the state. Environmental engineering is underway and alternative routes are being explored and moved through the public process. The project is currently on hold.		

North Star Community Council CIP Preferences -- 2013

RANK	Area Wide - Parks and Recreation Projects	RANKING BY MEMBERS					Total # votes	Average
		1	1	1	1	1		
1	Greenbelt Trails	1	1	1	1	1	5	1.0
2	Multi-use Athletic Field Rehabilitation	2	2	2	2	2	10	2.0

RANK	Parks and Recreation Projects	RANKING BY MEMBERS					Total # votes	Average
		1	1	2	2	3		
1	Margaret Eagan Sullivan Park	2	1	2	2		8	1.6
2	Westchester Lagoon Mature Trail	3	2	3	1		11	2.2
3	Arctic-Benson Park	1	3	3	1	3	11	2.2

RANK	MOA PM&E Projects	RANKING BY MEMBERS										Total # votes	Average		
		1	1	5	1	3									
1	Chester Creek Flooding - Lagoon to A Street	1	1	5	1	3							11	5	2.2
2	Fireweed Ln at Arctic Blvd Pedestrian Safety	2	4	4	3	5							18	5	3.6
3	Arctic Blvd Bike Lanes - 10th Ave to Fireweed Ln	4	8	1	6	1							20	5	4.0
4	Benson Blvd at Spenard Rd Pedestrian Safety Improvements	7	3	2	4	6							22	5	4.4
5	Chester Creek Trail surface Rehab	5	5	3	7	4							24	5	4.8
6	Spenard Rd Reconstruction Phase II - Hillcrest to Benson	6	2	7	2	10							27	5	5.4
7	C St at 20th Ave Area Drainage Improvements	3	10	6	9	2							30	5	6.0
8	ARDSA Storm Drain System Rehabilitation	8	7	8	8	9							40	5	8.0
9	ARDSA Residential Pavement Rehabilitation - Senate District L Area	9	6	9	10	7							41	5	8.2
10	ARDSA Residential Pavement Rehabilitation - Senate District M Area	10	9	10	5	8							42	5	8.4

RANK	State of Alaska Road Projects	RANKING BY MEMBERS										Total # votes	Average		
		1	5	1	1	1									
1	A St Pedestrian Improvements - 14th to Chester Cr	1	5	1	1	1							9	5	1.8
2	C St Pedestrian Improvements - 20th to 22nd Ave	3	4	2	3	3							15	5	3.0
3	Fireweed Ln Reconstruction - Spenard to Seward	2	2	4	5	6							19	5	3.8
4	A St/C St Rut Repair - 5th Ave to Inter Airport Rd	4	1	8	4	2							19	5	3.8
5	Ingra St/Gambell St Rut Repair - 5th to 38th Aves	6	3	7	2	5							23	5	4.6
6	Minneapolis Dr Northbound Expansion - 16th-26th	5	6	5	8	4							28	5	5.6
7	A/C Couplet Restripe to 4-lane - 9th Ave to Tudor	8	7	3	8	8							34	5	6.8
8	Seward Hwy to Glenn Highway Connection H2+ - Bragaw St to Tudor Rd	9	8	6	8	2							39	5	7.8

Voted to REMOVE from list
No vote

North Star Community Council CIP Preferences -- 2012

RANK	MOA PM&E Projects	RANKING BY MEMBERS												Total # votes	Average						
		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4								
1	Westchester Lagoon/Chester Creek Flooding	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	4	3	1	25	15	1.7	
2	Spenard Rd Reconstruction Phase II-Hillicrest to Benson	2	1	3	2	2	2	2	1	2	1	1	2	1	2	1	3	27	15	1.8	
3	Fireweed Ln at Arctic Blvd Pedestrian Safety	3	2	8	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1	2	2	45	15	3.0	
4	Benson Blvd at Spenard Rd Pedestrian Safety	4	4	6	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	57	14	4.1

RANK	State of Alaska Road Projects	RANKING BY MEMBERS												Total # votes	Average					
		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4							
1	C St Pedestrian Improvements-20th to 22nd Ave	1	3	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	2	3	3	1	28	15	1.9
2	A St Pedestrian Improvements 14th to Chester Cr	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	1	1	4	4	4	4	4	2	33	14	2.4	
3	Fireweed Ln Reconstruction - Spenard to Seward	3	1	3	3	3	3	3	2	3	3	1	2	2	3	38	15	2.5		
4	A St/C St Rut Repair - 5th Ave to Inter Airport Rd	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	5	5	2	5	1	4	50	13	3.8		
5	Ingra St/Gambell St Rut Repair - 5th to 36th Aves	5	5	1	5	5	5	5	5	6	6	6	6	6	5	60	12	5.0		
6	Seward Hwy to Glenn Highway Connection H2H	7	7	8	7	8	7	7	4	4	4	4	1	8	7	75	12	6.3		
7	Minnesota Dr Northbound Expansion-16th-26th	6	6	8	6	8	4	6	6	8	8	8	7	6	87	13	6.7			
8	A/C Couplet Restripe to 4-lane - 9th Ave to Tudor	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	7	8	8	5	8	107	14	7.6			

RANK	Parks and Recreation Projects	RANKING BY MEMBERS												Total # votes	Average		
		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4				
1	Valley of the Moon Park Phase II	1	1	1	1	3	1	3	3	1	1	2	1	1	20	14	1.4
2	Westchester Lagoon Nature Trail	2	3	2	2	1	2	1	1	2	3	3	2	3	27	14	1.9
3	Margaret Eagan Sullinvan Park Playground Phase II	3	2	3	2	3	2	3	2	3	2	1	3	2	28	14	2.0

Voted to REMOVE from list

No vote

North Star Community Council CIP Preferences -- 2011

RANK	MOA PM&E Projects	RANKING BY MEMBERS															Average								
		4	3	5	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		3	1	4	1	1	6	7	1
1	Westchester Lagoon/Chester Creek Flooding	4	3	5	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	6	7	1	2.58
2	Spenard Rd Reconstruction-Hillcrest to Benson	1	2	4	1	2	7	1	2	2	2	2	5	7	1	7	7	4	1	5	N	1	1	N	3.27
3	Fireweed Ln at Arctic Blvd Pedestrian Safety	2	1	2	4	4	6	2	7	3	3	3	6	6	2	6	N	3	5	3	7	3	2	N	3.91
4	Arctic Blvd Drainage - 18th Ave to Chester Creek	5	5	7	7	5	5	5	3	5	5	2	2	4	5	1	2	2	2	N	2	6	2	4	4.00
5	Chester Creek Trail Surface Rehab	6	7	3	3	3	2	2	4	6	4	4	4	4	6	3	2	7	7	N	7	4	7	4	4.61
6	Benson Blvd at Spenard Rd Pedestrian Safety	3	4	6	5	7	4	4	3	5	7	7	7	5	2	N	5	3	4	2	4	3	N	4	4.64
7	C Street at 20th Ave Drainage	7	6	1	6	6	3	3	6	4	6	6	3	3	3	4	6	6	6	N	5	5	N	4	4.86

RANK	State of Alaska Road Projects	RANKING BY MEMBERS															Average										
		2	2	3	4	1	4	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	3	1		3	2	1	1	3	4	N <th>2</th> <th>3<th>N </th></th>	2	3 <th>N </th>	N
1	C St Pedestrian Improvements-20th to 22nd Ave	2	2	3	4	1	4	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	3	1	3	2	1	1	3	4	N	2	3	N	2.23
2	A St Pedestrian Improvements 14th to Chester Cr	3	1	2	3	2	1	1	3	2	2	2	2	5	6	2	4	4	2	4	3	N	7	2	N	2.86	
3	Fireweed Ln Reconstruction - Spenard to Seward	1	3	1	7	N	8	8	1	3	3	3	3	4	8	1	6	N	5	1	1	3	3	1	N	3.52	
4	A St/C St Rut Repair - 5th Ave to Inter Airport Rd	6	5	5	1	N	2	2	4	4	4	4	4	1	2	4	1	5	3	2	2	N	1	4	N	3.14	
5	Ingra St/Gambell St Rut Repair - 5th to 36th Aves	5	4	4	2	N	3	3	5	5	5	5	5	2	3	5	3	2	4	6	N	4	5	N	4.10		
6	Minnesota Dr Northbound Expansion-16th-26th	8	8	7	6	N	6	6	6	8	8	7	8	7	5	6	5	3	6	7	5	N	5	6	N	6.33	
7	Seward Hwy to Glenn Highway Connection H2H	7	6	8	8	N	7	7	8	R	6	8	6	8	7	7	6	N	7	8	7	4	6	7	N	6.90	
8 (remove)	A/C Couplet Restripe to 4-lane - 9th Ave to Tudor	R	7	6	5	N	3	3	7	R	8	6	8	6	4	8	7	N	R	5	R	N	8	R	N	6.07	

R = Remove from list

N = No vote