

All Proposed 2025 South Addition Capital Projects

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Priority 1

Stairs Repair/Replacement to the Coastal Trail at West 16th Avenue and I Street

Agency:

Cost: \$250,000.00

Funds on Hand:

Additional Funds Required: \$250,000.00

Need: The stairway is dark and the steps unsafe to travel; in addition, it is often used as temporary facilities for overnight camping.

Project Scope: Repair or replace the stairway as needed to enhance security and safety of those using the stairs to access either the Coastal Trail or to reach 16th Avenue at I Street, including changing the material used for the stairs and overhead cover similar to the improved Frank Read Sr Memorial Stairs at West 12th Avenue.

Project Status:

Priority 2

Winter Maintenance Concerns/Snow Storage Management

Agency:

Cost: \$3,000,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$3,000,000.00

Need: The DOT&PF couplets I/L and A/C need snow storage separated from the sidewalk area to allow for sidewalk clearing for the safe travel of all road users.

Project Scope: A road diet for couplets I/L and A/C need to be incorporated into the upcoming pavement preservation projects to provide space for snow storage between sidewalks and vehicular lanes.

Project Status:

Priority 3

South Addition Area Missing Sidewalk Links

Agency:

Cost: \$5,000,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$5,000,000.00

Need: Neighborhoods East of C street do not have dedicated sidewalks. This area has multi-family housing and no accessible green space along their immediate network. Children walk to Central Middle School and Denali Montessori and must navigate streets filled with perpendicular parked cars and wide streets. This portion of SACC is underserved and disadvantaged. Sidewalks would provide residents with safe space for all ages and all abilities to access schools, parks, and bus stops.

Project Scope: The project will construct separated sidewalks within the South Addition Community Council that lacks non-motorized facilities.

Project Status:

Priority 4

Park Plan for Eastern Section of West Chester Lagoon

Agency:

Cost:

Funds on Hand:

Additional Funds Required:

Need: Park area West of the Minnesota Drive Couplet is planning action to reimagine this valuable park space for year-round use.

Project Scope:

Project Status: Community planning with MOA Parks will complement the West Chester Lagoon park and make it a more usable area for people of all ages and abilities.

Priority 5

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

Agency:

Cost: \$15,000,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$15,000,000.00

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. Non-motorized crash history at this location

Project Scope: Construct pedestrian pathways on the west side of A Street from 14th Ave to the Chester Creek trail. Connect the walkway to the undercrossing for a high-comfort and safe crossing of A Street.

Project Status: Request revisit based on the recent crash of a non-motorized user.

Priority 6

12th Street and Cordova Stormwater Management Plan

Agency:

Cost: \$2,500,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$2,500,000.00

Need: Properties have had municipal stormwater flooding that caused significant damage and displaced residents during the summer of 2023. The stormwater pipes are at the end of service life and need replacement. A management plan to address the near-term and long-term solutions is urgent for residents living in this low-elevation area.

Project Scope: Design, permit, and replace immediate culvert system failures. Propose long-term upsizing and allocate stormwater management citywide across new and modified developments.

Project Status:

Priority 7

Earl & Muriel King Park

Agency:

Cost: \$50,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$50,000.00

Need: Earl & Muriel King Park is an underutilized neighborhood park bordering the Downtown/Fairview/South Addition neighborhoods. Recently, park neighbors and residents have expressed frustration with negative uses occurring in the park. Funds will be used to identify and construct park improvements.

Project Scope: Funding will be used to identify and construct improvements in this neighborhood park.

Project Status:

Priority 8

15th Avenue Traffic Calming Study Between I & E Streets

Agency:

Cost: \$500,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$500,000.00

Need: The stretch of 15th Avenue between I and E Streets is a particularly active residential street connecting the east side of the South Addition Community to the west side. There are no intersections with stop signs or traffic lights between I & E Streets; traffic moves quickly through this stretch, and pedestrians have difficulty crossing safely. Park of the Central Middle School and Inlet View Elementary walking routes. There is a school bus stop at the G & 15th intersection.

Project Scope: A traffic safety study will provide the information necessary to determine how to improve this stretch of road.

Project Status:

Priority 9

Snow storage Street Parking Management Plan

Agency:

Cost:

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required:

Need: Snow storage management is necessary to mitigate traffic access throughout the urban core when snow is present. Some parts of town have parking rotations to coordinate snow haul out, and others restrict parking to allow for snow storage on certain sides of streets or through permits.

Project Scope: SACC requests a parking management study that evaluates strategies to meet the unique needs of historic high-density neighborhoods while mitigating snow storage impacts. This would optimize the haul-out schedule to maximize snow removal while allowing traffic flow through neighborhoods before snow-haul operations begin.

Project Status:

Priority 10

A Street Pedestrian Safety Improvements - 9th Ave to 13th Ave

Agency:

Cost: \$3,000,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$3,000,000.00

Need: No pedestrian crossings on A Street between 9th Avenue and 15th Avenue exist. This is a high-volume pedestrian/bicycle corridor with many crashes. This project is a high priority in the Anchorage Pedestrian Plan and for the South Addition Community Council.

Project Scope: This project will improve pedestrian crossings along the intersections of the A Street corridor between 9th Avenue and 13th Avenue.

Project Status: Include in the Complete Streets Corridor Study

Priority 11

Delaney Park Improvements

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$1,600,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$1,600,000.00

Need: Funds are needed to maintain Delaney Park as a vibrant public space serving all of Anchorage. Aging facilities along with wear and tear from major events and sports have resulted in the need for additional investment to maintain Delaney Park as the premier destination for major events and celebrations.

Project Scope: New funding will make repairs to turf, walking areas/pathways and plazas, landscape, amenities, hockey rink rehabilitation and athletic facilities. Renovate subgrade and surfacing of tennis courts. Re-envision the Pete's Gym area.

Project Status: Delaney Park is one of Anchorage's oldest and most celebrated parks. Ongoing and future community planning efforts will help identify and prioritize future upgrades.

Priority 12

Central Middle School Walk Audit Results Implementation

Agency:

Cost: \$2,000,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$2,000,000.00

Need: Recommendations included: School zone along C street, road diet on C street to reduce crossing distance to 2 lanes, sidewalk improvements, crosswalk relocation on E street to 13th Ave, access ramps, traffic calming along 15th Ave, safe crossing at 12th Ave and C Street, neighborhood sidewalks East of C street, brush clearing on 12th Ave. ASD to fund crossing guards at C street and 15th Ave intersection, improve parking lot exit.

Project Scope: See report recommendations submitted to DOT&PF, the ASD Superintendent, AARP, SACC, the Municipal Traffic Engineer, Rep Fields, and Sen. Tobin's staff.

Project Status: On September 1, 2023, SACC conducted a walk audit around the perimeter of the Neighborhood Middle School campus. Stakeholders and agencies included DOT&PF, the ASD Superintendent, AARP, SACC, the Municipal Traffic Engineer, Rep Fields, and Sen. Tobin's staff. A report with recommendations was written and sent to all parties.

Priority 13

16th Ave Upgrade - E St to C St

Agency: Project Management and Engineering

Cost: \$1,400,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$1,400,000.00

Need: This road is in poor condition with pavement and some curbs. The road surface rated in failing condition according to the 2023 GASB survey. Drainage, street lighting, and pedestrian facilities are inadequate.

Project Scope: The project will reconstruct the road to include pavement, curbs, pedestrian facilities, drainage, and street lighting.

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

Priority 14

Improve Specific SA Intersections with Additional Stop Signs

Agency:

Cost:

Funds on Hand:

Additional Funds Required:

Need: Contemporary residential density, shifting demographics, improved commercialization, and foreseeable traffic patterns of the described area all point to the need for a traffic study of the area and the reevaluation of the existing traffic plan.

Project Scope: Two more stop signs at each of the following intersections: 13th Avenue and H Street, 13th Avenue and F Street, 14th Avenue and H Street, 14th Avenue and G Street, and 14th Avenue and F Street.

Project Status: No action yet taken.

Priority 15

P St Surface Rehab - 13th Ave to 15th Ave

Agency: Project Management and Engineering

Cost: \$500,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$500,000.00

Need: Pavement on this local road is deteriorating. The 2023 GASB survey rated the road surface on this street as in failing condition.

Project Scope: The project will replace or overlay the pavement.

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

No Assigned Priority

South Addition Sidewalk Rehab

Agency: Project Management and Engineering

Cost: \$1,000,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$1,000,000.00

Need: Many of the sidewalks in the South Addition area are showing signs of their age. Even though the project was identified by the community council it is not a priority for the South Addition Community Council.

Project Scope: This project will reconstruct deteriorated sidewalks in the South Addition Community Council area.

Project Status: No work is underway or scheduled in the six-year Capital Improvement Program. The project will remain on the Capital Project Needs List for future funding consideration. Improvements will also be considered for funding through the annual pedestrian safety and rehabilitation program.

No Assigned Priority

Stair Replacement at I St - 16th Ave to Chester Creek Trail

Agency: Project Management and Engineering

Cost: \$1,000,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$1,000,000.00

Need: The project was identified by the South Addition Community Council. It is their top priority for 2024. The stairway is dark and the steps unsafe to travel; in addition, it is often used as temporary facilities for overnight camping.

Project Scope: The project will replace the stairway and the overhead cover and add lighting.

Project Status: The project has not started. The project will remain on the Needs List for future funding consideration.

No Assigned Priority

Fish Creek Trail to the Ocean (Fish Creek Trail Extension)

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$15,000,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$250,000.00

Additional Funds Required: \$14,750,000.00

Need: Non Motorized transportation that connects Spenard, Midtown, Turnagain, West Anchorage and Downtown

Project Scope: Connect the Fish Creek Trail at Northern Lights Blvd to the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail

Project Status: Project was nominated for AMATS funding in 2018. The project is now in the preliminary design and engineering phase. Local match is 9.03% of the total project costs. Construction is anticipated for 2025-26

No Assigned Priority

Margaret Eagan Sullivan Park

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$600,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$600,000.00

Need: Margaret Eagan Sullivan is one of Anchorage's most heavily used parks and is home to Westchester Lagoon. Upgrades to outdoor gathering areas are necessary to accommodate the large number of annual park visitors.

Project Scope: Funding will be used to improve heavy use community spaces, trails, parking, and to rehabilitate areas of erosion along the lagoon's shoreline.

Project Status: In 2020, the parking lot was re-striped, wayfinding kiosk installed, and port-o-potties relocated. In 2021, an Indigenous Placename post was installed. In 2022, non-native bird cherry trees were replaced with native birch. Additional funds are needed to continue upgrades to this popular park and trail destination.

No Assigned Priority

Multi-use Trails and Pedestrian Bridge Upgrades

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$3,000,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$3,000,000.00

Need: Safety upgrades are needed along major greenbelt trails to support trail use in all seasons. This includes lighting missing links and spur trails, wayfinding with emergency locators, bridge upgrades as needed.

Project Scope: Add LED lighting to trails and missing greenbelt trail links. Upgrade/replace aging bridges. Upgrade signage and wayfinding.

Project Status: Park maintenance performs monthly safety inspections and repairs the park assets as necessary. Emergency locators and mile markers have been installed on greenbelt multi-use trails.

No Assigned Priority

South Addition Area Separated Sidewalk

Agency: Project Management and Engineering

Cost: \$5,000,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$5,000,000.00

Need: Interest has been expressed in constructing separated sidewalks in the South Addition area, on 9th, 11th, 12th, and 14th Avenues, west of C Street. The project need was identified by South Addition Community Council.

Project Scope: The project will construct separated sidewalks within the South Addition Community Council.

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

No Assigned Priority

Minnesota Drive/I and L Street Corridor Plan Improvements

Agency:

Cost:

Funds on Hand:

Additional Funds Required:

Need: The arterial roads that form the north and south one-way roads that are the extensions of Minnesota Drive through South Addition to downtown create unsafe conditions for local residents.

Project Scope: Fund the AMATS Minnesota Drive and I/L Street Corridor Plan - Project recommended improvements.

Project Status: AMATS Minnesota Drive and I/L Street Corridor Plan [International Airport Road to 3rd Ave] - The project would provide a comprehensive analysis of the Minnesota Drive and I/L Street corridor's current conditions, anticipated growth patterns and their impacts, likely outcomes, and reasonable mitigation alternatives. It would include recommended improvements based on identified needs and community input, and a timeline for implementation. The project would include modeling analysis and engineering work as needed. The project should be evaluated for rehabilitation as a Complete Street, adhering to the AMATS Complete Streets policy.

No Assigned Priority

Tony Knowles Coastal Trail Erosion

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$3,500,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$400,000.00

Additional Funds Required: \$3,100,000.00

Need: To protect the shoreline and trail corridor from shoreline erosion threatening the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail.

Project Scope: Design, permit, and construct a solution to protect against shoreline erosion along the land-water interface near the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail

Project Status: Recent and ongoing bank armoring has provided protection for a 5-10 year period. Additional funding is needed for a more long-term sustainable solution.

No Assigned Priority

Underground Overhead Utility Lines in all South Addition Neighborhoods

Agency:

Cost:

Funds on Hand:

Additional Funds Required:

Need:

Project Scope: Underground all overhead utility lines (telephone, cable, electric) in all South Addition Neighborhood areas and remove related utility poles.

Project Status: South Addition community residents pay a percentage of their utility costs towards the funding of this action. South Addition residents would like to see the action put into effect beginning with the summer of 2021.

No Assigned Priority

West 16th Avenue and I Street Stairs Replacement/Redesign

Agency:

Cost: \$300,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$300,000.00

Need: The stairway is dark, and the steps unsafe to travel. It is often used as temporary facilities for overnight camping.

Project Scope: Repair, replace, or redesign the stairway/pathway as needed to enhance the security and safety of those using the stairs to access either the Coastal Trail or to reach 16th Avenue at I Street.

Project Status: SACC is unaware of any project addressing this community safety issue.

No Assigned Priority

Agency:

Cost:

Funds on Hand:

Additional Funds Required:

Need:

Project Scope:

Project Status:

No Assigned Priority

10th Ave Surface Rehab - P St to Ingra St

Agency: Project Management and Engineering

Cost: \$2,000,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$2,000,000.00

Need: Pavement condition is deteriorating.

Project Scope: The project will replace or overlay the pavement and bring pedestrian facilities into ADA compliance.

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.

No Assigned Priority

Athletic Field Safety Improvements

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$1,000,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$400,000.00

Additional Funds Required: \$600,000.00

Need: Anchorage's athletic fields are well used during the short summer season. Funding will be used to improve athletic fields and supporting facilities in coordination with user groups.

Project Scope: Improvements to athletic fields throughout the Anchorage Bowl to improve play for youth and adult sports. Improvements include turf rehabilitation, fence repair, irrigation systems repairs, amenities, and general facility improvements.

Project Status: Parks and Recreation is working with local user groups to identify and provide needed improvements to athletic fields and sports complexes in Anchorage.

No Assigned Priority

Campbell Creek Trail - Separated Grade Crossing @ Lake Otis

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$19,000,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$50,000.00

Additional Funds Required: \$18,950,000.00

Need: The Campbell Creek Trail consists of an east and west trail which is separated by Lake Otis Blvd. Pedestrians and cyclists are required to travel a half mile to the south to access a tunnel under Lake Otis Blvd. An overpass would provide for a more direct connection and eliminate safety concerns associated with trail users cutting directly across traffic.

Project Scope: Design and construct an elevated bike/pedestrian bridge over Lake Otis Blvd to connect the east and west portions of the Campbell Creek Trail.

Project Status: A design alternatives study was completed in 2019 to evaluate potential options and rough order of magnitude costs estimates. This project was recently nominated as an AMATS non-motorized project. Preliminary design will begin in 2023. Note the total project funds will require a 9.03% local match and the remainder will be matched through AKDOT/AMATS.

No Assigned Priority

Campbell Creek Trail Rehabilitation and Wayfinding

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$2,800,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$1,000,000.00

Additional Funds Required: \$1,800,000.00

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.

Project Scope: Asphalt repair, lighting assessment and improvements, bridge repair/replacement, signage improvements.

Project Status: Continuation of multi-year, multi-phase trail rehabilitation project including pavement resurfacing, drainage improvements, wayfinding, streambank restoration, and bridge replacement along the Campbell Creek Trail. Previously completed bond funded phases have rehabilitated trail from Dimond Blvd to Fairbanks Street. Future phases will continue east along the trail to Elmore Rd.

No Assigned Priority

Downtown Lighting and Signals Upgrades (14-48)

Agency: Project Management and Engineering

Cost: \$80,000,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$17,000,000.00

Additional Funds Required: \$63,000,000.00

Need: The electrical infrastructure including street lights, pedestrian lights, and traffic signals in the downtown area has exceeded its life expectancy. Safety concerns have been expressed due to a lack of lighting in the district. The signals and related wiring need to be upgraded.

Project Scope: The project will identify the electrical needs in the downtown district and develop a plan for a systematic overhaul of the lighting and signals.

Project Status: Preliminary inventory and condition assessment of existing downtown lighting and signal systems has been completed and documented in the Downtown Lighting and Signals Upgrade Reconnaissance Study (August 2018). Projects will be completed in phases according to priorities recommended in the study.

No Assigned Priority

E St Left-hand Turning Signal at 15th Ave

Agency: Project Management and Engineering

Cost: \$1,500,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$1,500,000.00

Need: Motorists often have to wait more than one cycle at the light in order to make a left hand turn. This affects both north and south bound traffic. The project need was identified by the South Addition Community Council.

Project Scope: The project will review the need to change the traffic signal at E St and 15th Ave to incorporate left-hand turn lights.

Project Status: This project has not started. The project has not started. The project will remain on the Needs List for future funding consideration.

No Assigned Priority

Charles Smith Memorial Park ("Gorilla Park")

Agency: Parks and Recreation

Cost: \$300,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$300,000.00

Need: Located along the popular Lanie Fleischer Chester Creek Trail, this neighborhood park is in proximity to children and adults living 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.

Project Scope: Funds will be used to help activate the park and may include the installation of an outdoor gathering/picnic area and repairs to the basketball court.

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

No Assigned Priority

Coastal Trail Access at 9th Avenue

Agency: Project Management and Engineering

Cost: \$2,000,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$2,000,000.00

Need: The need for the connection was identified by the South Addition Community Council.

Project Scope: The project will construct a connection between the west end of 9th Avenue and the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail by installing trail and a culvert under the railroad tracks.

Project Status: The project has not started although a design study was completed in May 2003.

No Assigned Priority

Cordova St ADA Improvements - 3rd Ave to 16th Ave

Agency: Project Management and Engineering

Cost: \$1,000,000.00

Funds on Hand: \$0.00

Additional Funds Required: \$1,000,000.00

Need: Because Cordova Street is in an older section of Anchorage, the existing pedestrian infrastructure reflects its age. Most of the curb ramps are out of compliance and many of the sidewalks need repair.

Project Scope: The project will construct safety improvements in the Cordova Street corridor that will bring the pedestrian facilities into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). ADA improvements include altering the slope of curb ramps, installing detectable warning tiles, and updating signage.

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