

**Agenda Item:** 2.c

**Meeting Date:** January 20, 2022

## **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** City Commission

**Date:** 2022-01-07

**From:** Frances Sharp, Planner II

**Subject:** Resolution 21-30 - Citywide Multimodal Transportation Master Plan

**Presenter(s):** Frances Sharp, AICP, Planner II; and George Kinney, AICP, Director of Community Development

**Recommend:** Staff recommends approval and adoption of Resolution 21-30.

**Epic Goal(s):** Goal #2 - Create a visual sense of place throughout Dunedin.

**Boards & Committees:** Causeway and Coastal Waterways Committee;  
Committee on Aging;  
Community Redevelopment Agency Advisory Committee;  
Disability Advisory Committee;  
Edgewater Drive Advisory Committee;  
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee;  
Public Safety Committee; and  
Youth Advisory Committee

**Budget Impact:** \$40,000 Community Planning Technical Assistance Grant, reimbursed for the \$40,000 in Planning Services.

**Past Action:** 1.) This planning project results from an FY21 Business Plan Initiative based on City Commission directions from the 2020 Strategic Planning Session and the City's Comprehensive Plan Transportation Element Goal;  
2.) June 4, 2020 - City Staff submitted an application to the State's Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) for a Community Planning Technical Assistance Grant, in the amount of \$40,000, for the development of the City's Multimodal Transportation Master Plan;  
3.) August 10, 2020 - DEO awarded the City with the Community Planning

Technical Assistance Grant for the full funding amount;  
4.) January 6, 2021 - City Commission approved and executed the Community Planning Technical Assistance Grant Agreement with DEO;  
5.) June 1, 2021- City Staff presented the draft of the Citywide Multimodal Transportation Master Plan to the City Commission as a Work Session item. City Commission provided feedback to City Staff.

**Next Action:** None

**Attachments:** [A. Dunedin Citywide Multimodal Transportation Master Plan](#), [B. Resolution No 21-30 Multimodal Transportation Master Plan](#), [C. 6.1.2021 CC Work Session Meeting Minutes.pdf](#), [D. City Commission Priority Strategies and Actions from the Citywide Multimodal Transportation Master Plan.pdf](#),

**Background:** The City of Dunedin Strive for 2035 Comprehensive Plan Transportation Element offers a goal that sums up the City's vision for improvement to the City's transportation system. The goal reads "Provide a safe and efficient transportation system that serves and enhances the quality of life for its citizens by implementing the elements of the Complete Streets Policy". Objective 1.4 of the Transportation Element further specifies the need to develop and implement a multimodal transportation plan in support of regional, local, and area activities.

Past corridor studies, the results of the City's citizen survey, and the outcome of the 2020 City Commission retreat further affirmed the direction to develop a Citywide Multimodal Transportation Master Plan. Based on the Comprehensive Plan and these additional past efforts, the Multimodal Plan was created with the intent to provide a framework that would develop priorities for improving safety and connectivity around the City and to encourage seamless travel between places where people live, work, and play. The Plan was further intended to identify high priority projects, programs, and policies to help integrate all modes of transportation with the intent of making travel easier, safer, and more efficient and to develop and prioritize a list of implementable improvements. This framework was packaged as a FY21 Business Plan Initiative request in an effort to support the policy created and to craft a plan that would direct transportation investment.

On June 4, 2020, City staff along with Kimley-Horn and Associates prepared and made an application for a Community Planning Technical Assistance Grant to the State's Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO). The City was later awarded a grant in the amount of \$40,000 to help develop the City's Multimodal Transportation Master Plan. An agreement was executed with DEO to commence the project on January 6, 2021. Since the execution of the grant agreement, staff, along with Kimley- Horn and Associates, Inc., worked with various intergovernmental agencies, local stakeholders, and citizens in the development of the Plan and presented the draft of the Multimodal Transportation Master Plan to the City Commission in a Work Session on June 1, 2021 to seek feedback and direction from the City Commission. The City Commission directed staff to update the draft plan to include the City

Commission's top priorities that was identified in the Work Session discussion with regards to strategies and actions to the Master Plan, reach out to the bicycle community organizations such as the Friends of the Pinellas Trail and Forward Pinellas' Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee for further feedback, and proceed to adopt the plan through a resolution.

Since the City Commission Work Session presentation, staff worked with the consultant to update the Master Plan to highlight the strategies and actions that were identified by the City Commission as priorities, shared the draft plan with the Friends of the Pinellas Trail, and provided a presentation to the Forward Pinellas' Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee on August 16, 2021 for feedback. Both groups complimented the draft plan and no further revisions were incorporated as a result of the groups' review.

Attached is the final draft of the Citywide Multimodal Transportation Master Plan, draft resolution for the adoption of the Master Plan, June 1st City Commission Work Session Meeting Minutes, and list of the highlighted strategies and actions identified in the Citywide Multimodal Transportation Master Plan as priorities made by the City Commission.