

City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Public Works

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: September 19, 2022

Re: Highway 63/I-70 Interchange and I-70 Corridor Recommendations.

Executive Summary

At the September 19, 2022 council work session, Public Works staff presented information about the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT)'s planned evaluation of Interstate 70 and the alternatives presented by MoDOT within the City limits. This report includes information as presented at the work session and a draft letter of recommendations to MoDOT's Community Advisory Group.

Discussion

Currently only the Interstate 70 and US 63 interchange has funding and it is only partially funded. However, MoDOT is planning a design build process for that work and is completing an evaluation of the entire Boone County corridor (17 miles, 10 interchanges) with the hopes of better preparing themselves for upcoming and future funding opportunities.

The City has been committed a complete streets design model to serve all modes of transportation since 2004 having installed over 150 miles of bicycle lanes and paths and hundreds of miles of sidewalk in just the last 15 years. Following staff review of both the Federal Highway Administration's "Moving to a Complete Streets Design Model" document and MoDOT's own Safer Assessment for Every Roadway (SAFER) document we believe those same goals will be maintained as part of this process, if those documents are used as part of the process. This approach is crucial to the City's Climate Action and Adaption Plan (CAAP), the City's Strategic Plan, and most importantly, the City's Vision, Mission, and Values. These safety improvements are also consistent with the City's Vision Zero initiative.

Specific recommendations are included in the attached draft letter.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: None Long-Term Impact: None

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Reliable Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Resilient Economy, Tertiary

Impact: Tertiary

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:



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Primary Impact: Mobility, Connectivity, and Accessibility, Secondary Impact: Inter-Governmental Cooperation, Tertiary Impact: Economic Development

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Suggested Council Action

If Council concurs, authorize the Mayor to sign the draft letter of recommendations to the Missouri Department of Transportation.