

# PUBLIC WORKS

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Commission

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RE: Harrisonburg-Rockingham Metropolitan Planning Organization (HRMPO) 2045

Long Range Plan Update

## **Summary:**

The HRMPO is the regional transportation planning organization for the City of Harrisonburg, urbanized Rockingham County, and the towns of Bridgewater, Dayton, and Mt. Crawford. The MPO maintains a 25-year Long Range Plan (LRTP), which must be updated every 5 years. HRMPO staff are currently updating the LRTP for 2045. The update will be complete in May, 2023.

# **Background:**

Public input is critical to the success of the Plan. Phase I of the Public Engagement Process begins February 1, 2022 with the launch of an online survey. We will also host a short webinar on February 16, 2022 about the LRTP update and what it means for members of the community.

CSPDC staff wishes to highlight the importance of the LRTP for the City. Transportation projects that are included in the LRTP should demonstrate community support and data-driven, measurable benefits for the City. Understanding the transportation needs of as many members of the community as possible is the first step toward developing a list of projects that meet the region's goals of a high quality of life, access to jobs, transportation options, and safety.

CSDPC staff looks forward to working with City Council, City staff, and community partners to promote the online survey, webinar, and engagement in this plan update process.

# **Fiscal Impact:**

There is no additional cost to the City. The LRTP update is funded by the MPO, to which the City contributes local match each year. The City's FY22 match contribution to the MPO is \$12,115.

## **Attachments:**

1. LRTP Update Fact Sheet