

Downtown Streetscape Plan



Presentation to City Council

July 8, 2014

Streetscape Plan Objectives

- Present a unified vision for the public streetscape to support a vibrant downtown
 - Synthesize existing documents into a single plan
 - Build upon and replace the 2005 Downtown Streetscape Plan
- Streamline improvement projects
 - Ability to reference desired public design elements
 - Cost sharing across stakeholder projects (public & private)

Implementation

- As public and private projects occur downtown, the plan will be referenced for implementation of adjacent improvements
- Similar to the Master Transportation Plan in the Comprehensive Plan, completion dates are not defined for the Plan's larger transportation projects
- The Plan will be accessed as needs arise and funding requests will be made through the Capital Improvement Program

Timeline

- Public hearing at Planning Commission – **January 8**
 - Requested that staff return to committees for comment
- Plan e-mailed to Advisory Committee and HDR Landscape Committee for review – **January**
- HDR Landscape Committee meeting – **January 29**
- Plan Advisory Committee meeting – **March 12**
- Staff edited Plan and e-mailed to committees for final review – **April/May**
- 2nd Public Hearing at Planning Commission (updated plan approved) – **June 11**

Document Changes

- Clarified the scope of the Plan
 - Public streetscape vs. public space
 - Updated goal and objective statements
- Committees and staff agreed to a number of other small edits
- No comments were received from the general public following the public hearing in January

Next Steps

- Public Hearing before City Council to request Plan adoption - **Today**
- Staff will work on appropriate updates to:
 - Design & Construction Standards Manual
 - Comprehensive Plan
 - Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan