

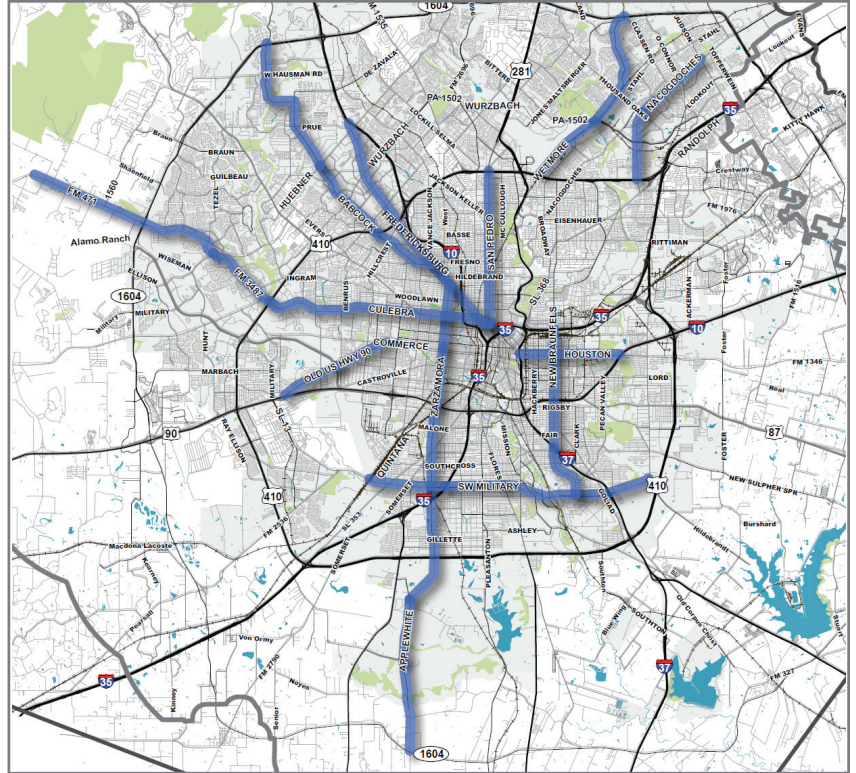
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Multimodal Transportation Plan Fact Sheet

THE PLAN

At the heart of the Multimodal Transportation Plan will be a roadmap of how to create a sustainable transportation system for the city that provides and supports all modes of transportation, studies the link between land use and transportation, and proposes complete streets. The plan will include all transportation modes, incorporate plans from multiple agencies, and will take advantage of the points at which plans and modes intersect to further develop a sustainable multimodal transportation system.

To develop the plan, the study team has been working on three core tasks: corridor development, evaluation of the existing Major Thoroughfare Plan, and development of a project prioritization tool. This fact sheet provides a brief overview of the status of each of these key tasks.



CORRIDORS

The Multimodal Transportation Plan features 12 corridors that provide an opportunity to show how multimodal solutions can be accomplished in real locations. For the purposes of this plan, a “corridor” is a roadway that is used by multiple modes of transportation, around which housing, retail, entertainment, and/or commercial development occurs. The corridors being studied were selected based on analysis, thoughtful planning, and community input. The selected corridors represent examples with different character and context located around San Antonio. They are simply a selection of diverse corridors that can be further studied to generate solutions that may be applied to similar corridors within the city.

Multiple improvement options are being explored for each corridor. The technical team will present all 12 corridors, including renderings for key concepts, at a future public meeting, during which feedback from the public will be encouraged on all aspects of the proposed improvements.

- Applewhite Road
- Babcock Road
- Culebra Road
- Fredericksburg Road
- Houston Street
- Military Highway
- New Braunfels Avenue
- Old US Highway 90
- Perrin Beitel Road/Nacogdoches Road
- San Pedro Avenue
- Wetmore Road/Bulverde Road
- Zazamora Street



MAJOR THOROUGHFARE PLAN

The City's Major Thoroughfare Plan generally identifies the location for major roads within San Antonio and its extra-territorial jurisdiction. The current Major Thoroughfare Plan was adopted in 1978, and has been amended several times over the years to calibrate and realign the thoroughfares. An update to the Major Thoroughfare Plan is a component of the SA Tomorrow Multimodal Transportation Plan. The Major Thoroughfare Plan identifies an additional 2,300 arterial lane miles at a cost of \$2.8 billion. The update looks at the feasibility of constructing these unbuilt roadways over the next 25 years.

PROJECT PRIORITIZATION

The Multimodal Transportation Planning process will also result in a process to better prioritize future needs. In order to help set priorities, the planning team developed eight criteria that relate to the plan goals, incorporate SA2020's vision, and consider the criteria currently being used in the selection process for the City's 2017 bond program. The eight criteria are:



Moving forward with the Multimodal Transportation Plan, each project will be scored based on its consistency with these goals. A weighting system, developed with public input, will be used to rank the projects.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQS)

What does “multimodal transportation” mean?

Multimodal transportation takes into account all modes of transportation, including auto, freight, rail, transit, biking, and walking for all ages.

How will we pay for new multimodal transportation options?

A major outcome of the Multimodal Transportation Plan will be a list of projects to be considered for inclusion in the City's 2017 bond program. The bond program is the City's primary funding source for capital improvements on transportation facilities. The Multimodal Transportation Plan will also identify other potential funding sources for the City to consider.

What is a “complete street”?

A “complete street” is one that accommodates all users and incorporates all modes, such as walking, biking, transit, and cars. How the street accommodates each mode is related to the characteristics and context of the area.

When this plan is approved, how will it affect me?

This kind of plan generates big ideas and long-range goals. The multimodal aspect of the plan seeks to provide transportation options in San Antonio to solve future demand on our roadways. The multimodal transportation options may also be able to provide an improvement to air quality, public health and well-being. The plan will provide insight into how to invest in transportation choices that are sustainable and efficient.

When will the Multimodal Transportation Plan improvements start?

The planning team is already identifying projects that could start within five years or less. Some of these transportation improvements may be considered as 2017 bond projects.

PARTNERS

Multimodal Transportation Plan Partners are the Alamo Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), VIA Metropolitan Transit, TxDOT, and Union Pacific.

