Capital Improvement Program

Introduction

This Capital Improvement Program (CIP) is the City of Lincoln’s six year program that plans for significant public improvements across the City. The CIP compiles all City projects to be budgeted in the next two years or planned for over the next six years. The complete CIP represents over $1 billion worth of investment in our community.

In accordance with Article IX-B, Section 7 of the Lincoln City Charter, City departments and agencies submitted their six year capital improvement requests to the Planning Director for compilation into the CIP document. The Planning Commission will review these individual capital requests on April 14, 2021 to determine conformity with the Comprehensive Plan. The projects in the draft FY 2021/22 - 2026/27 CIP are in character with the Comprehensive Plan because they are specifically listed in or are implied by the text in the Comprehensive Plan.

While the City Charter calls for a six year capital improvement program, the City Council only approves a two year Capital Budget*. This is not, however, to suggest that the projects in the remaining years of the CIP are not without significance. Projects in the third through sixth year are used by elected officials and staff in the formulation of future CIPs and other departmental level capital programming documents. The private sector also considers the six-year CIP when making investment and development decisions.

* Due to the uncertainty caused by COVID-19, the City Council will review for adoption the first year of the FY 2021/22 - 2026/27 CIP. It is anticipated that future CIPs will resume review and adoption of a biennial budget.