

Community Council Surveys | 2021 Community Projects

Priority	Project Name	Agency	Estimated Cost	Funding in Hand	Additional Funding Needed	Scope	Need	Status	CC Comments
1	Farm Ave Sidewalk - Old Glenn Hwy to New Glenn Hwy	Project Management and Engineering	\$690,000	\$0	\$690,000	This project will install sidewalk and a crossing at the Old Glenn Highway.	No sidewalk exists in this location. This project is included in the Anchorage Pedestrian Plan.	No work is underway and no funding is proposed in the six-year Capital Improvement Program. Funding priorities are set by Chugiak, Birchwood, Eagle River Rural Road Service Area Board. The project will remain on the Capital Projects Needs List for future	
2	Brooks Rd/Chugiak Dr/Cross Rd Upgrade	Project Management and Engineering	\$7,000,000	\$0	\$7,000,000	This project will construct these roads to current design standards.	This project is a priority for the Chugiak, Birchwood, Eagle River Rural Road Service Area Board. Because these roads have not been built to current standards, safety may be impacted.	This project has not started. Funding priorities are set by Chugiak, Birchwood, Eagle River Rural Road Service Area Board.	
3	Eagle River Area Snow Disposal Site	Project Management and Engineering	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$3,000,000	This project will construct a snow disposal facility serving the Chugiak, Birchwood, Eagle River Rural Road Service Area (CBERRRSA).	The population growth and corresponding development in the Eagle River valley has produced a need for increased snow storage capacity. Using existing facilities is increasingly expensive as the trips made by dump trucks are greater and further.	No work is underway. State grant funding is proposed.	

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4	Eagle River Chugiak Road and Drainage System Rehab	Project Management and Engineering	\$30,000,000	\$0	\$30,000,000	Construct road and drainage improvements.	Road and drainage needs exist throughout the service area.	The Chugiak, Birchwood, Eagle River Rural Road Service Area Board manages funding collected through property taxes for road and drainage improvements in their area. The local road board evaluates and prioritizes projects for funding.	
5	Birchwood-Chugiak-Eagle River Areawide Drainage Plan	Project Management and Engineering	\$500,000	\$0	\$500,000	This project will do a comprehensive study of the storm water drainage in the Chugiak-Eagle River area and make drainage plan recommendations.	Development in this region has produced a need for an areawide plan to handle future drainage needs. The last drainage plan was done in 1987.	No work is underway. State grant funding is proposed.	
6	Birchwood/Chugiak/Eagle River Areawide Subsurface Aquifer Study	Project Management and Engineering	\$500,000	\$0	\$500,000	This project will do a comprehensive study of the subsurface aquifers in the Birchwood-Chugiak-Eagle River area.	A majority of the developed properties in Birchwood-Chugiak-Eagle River rely upon on-site water well and septic systems rather than public utilities. Little is known of the location of all subsurface aquifers that serve these rural properties. Proper planning requires identification of the aquifers. Insufficient information can produce negative impacts on the health and the environment as well as to the pocketbook. This study is included in the Chugiak-Eagle River Comprehensive Plan.	No work is underway. State grant funding is proposed.	

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7	Eagle River Traffic Mitigation Phase I - Business Blvd to Eagle River Rd (11-16)	Project Management and Engineering	\$9,310,000	\$8,500,000	\$810,000	This project will study specific ways to provide better access to Business Boulevard from Eagle River Road and then construct the selected alternative. Discussing expansion of traffic analysis with ADOT to include evaluation of the Glenn Highway intercha	This project was recommended in the Eagle River CBD study (2011) to enhance traffic circulation in the Eagle River Central Business District area. The primary purpose of this new connection is to relieve pressure from the overly crowded Old Glenn Highway.	Project is at 65% design. DOT requests MOA to design interchange and intersection impvmts with \$5.2 remaining. Awaiting Purchasing decision re: RFP or Amendment. Business Boulevard is on a funding hold.	
8	Eagle River Rd Highway Lighting - Fire House Ln to Chain of Rock St	State of Alaska	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$2,000,000	Install highway lighting on this section of Eagle River Road.	Improved lighting will enhance safety along this arterial corridor.	This is a state owned facility and evaluation and funding would be by the State of Alaska.	
9	Eagle River Rd Upgrade - Old Glenn Hwy to Greenhouse Rd (MP5.3ish)	State of Alaska	\$44,500,000	\$0	\$44,500,000	This project will upgrade Eagle River Road to urban standards regarding curbs, pedestrian, lighting, and capacity needs.	Future vehicle and pedestrian traffic may require the expansion of this facility.	This is a state owned facility and evaluation and funding would be by the State of Alaska.	
10	Eagle River Rd Trail Rehab - Old Glenn Hwy to Mile Hi Rd	State of Alaska	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$1,000,000	This project will rehabilitate the Eagle River Road Trail from the Old Glenn Highway to Mile Hi Road.	The existing trail is showing its age and is no longer cost effective to maintain.	This is a state owned facility and evaluation and funding would be by the State of Alaska.	
11	Eagle River Greenbelt Multi-use Trail - Glenn Hwy to Eagle River Nature Center	State of Alaska	\$12,000,000	\$0	\$12,000,000	This project will construct a multi-use trail along the Eagle River Road corridor. It is anticipated that the trail will be separated from the roadway for most of its length. Trail lighting is expected with occasional benches and educational signs for users.	Eagle River Road is a narrow, winding two lane road with no pedestrian facilities. There is a high demand for recreational among non-motorized users along this corridor which is the only access to the popular Eagle River Nature Center and trailhead.	This project has not started. This route is owned by the State of Alaska. Evaluation and prioritization for future funding will be done by the Alaska DOT&PF.	
12	Glenn Hwy Expansion (HOV Lanes) - North Eagle River Access Rd to South Birchwood Lp	State of Alaska	\$20,000,000	\$0	\$20,000,000	Tentative scope would include expanding both north and south directions from 2-lane to 3-lane configurations.	The Long Range Transportation Plan anticipates the need to add lanes to address increased traffic volumes and congestion.	This is a state owned facility and evaluation and funding would be through the State of Alaska.	

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13	Glenn Hwy/Artillery Rd Interchange Expansion	State of Alaska	\$0	\$0	\$0	The scope will be determined in the design study phase.	Traffic and congestion are increasing at this intersection. The Metropolitan Transportation Plan includes this project as part of a Glenn Highway Lane Expansion.	No work is underway. This is a state owned facility and evaluation and funding would be through the State of Alaska.	
NA	Areawide Trail Safety Upgrades	Parks and Recreation	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$3,000,000	Add LED lighting to spur trails and missing greenbelt trail links. Upgrade/replace aging bridges. Add systemwide wayfinding.	Safety upgrades are needed along major greenbelt trails to support trail use in all seasons. This includes lighting missing links and spur trails, wayfinding with emergency locators, bridge upgrades as needed.	Park maintenance performs monthly safety inspections and repairs the park assets as necessary.	
NA	Campbell Creek Greenbelt	Parks and Recreation	\$3,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$2,000,000	Asphalt repair, lighting assessment and improvements, bridge repair/replacement, signage improvements	Anchorage has over 250 miles of paved trails. Current infrastructure is outdated, unsafe and in need of repair. Trail use, both summer and winter, will continue to increase and safety and quality condition of trail infrastructure and amenities needs to be a priority.	Bond funding and State legislative grant requests are pending. Areawide greenbelt trails (Campbell Creek Greenbelt, Chester Creek Greenbelt Coastal Trail and Ship Creek Trail) need a repair program to address safety and security concerns (over 250 miles).	
NA	Campbell Creek Trail - Separated Grade Crossing @ Lake Otis	Parks and Recreation	\$12,000,000	\$50,000	\$11,950,000	Design and construct an elevated bike/pedestrian bridge over Lake Otis. Blvd to connect the east and west portions of the Campbell Creek Trail.	Provide a safe and seamless connection for the Campbell Creek trail.	A new design study was completed in 2019.	

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NA	Community Garden Site Selection and Design and Management Standards.	Parks and Recreation	\$50,000		\$50,000	Identify appropriate parks in the Anchorage Bowl where community garden development is appropriate. Create design and management guidelines to assist the department in building and maintaining community gardens.	The public demand for plots in MOA Community Gardens far exceeds the current availability. New community gardens have been identified in a number of newly completed park master plans. Funding will be used to develop new community gardens.	The department currently manages community gardens at The Gardens @ Bragraw, C Street Gardens, Fairview Lyons and McPhee Gardens	
NA	Dog Park Site Selection and Design and Management Standards.	Parks and Recreation	\$75,000		\$75,000	Identify appropriate parks in the Anchorage Bowl where dog park development is appropriate. Create design and management guidelines to assist the department in building and maintaining dog parks.	Anchorage residents love their dogs! There is demand for more fenced dog parks throughout the bowl. Funds will be used to systematically identify appropriate places to build dog parks. Additionally, this project will develop dog park design and management guidelines.	Currently, Anchorage has 8 official dog parks, and one more in development	
NA	Fish Creek Trail to the Ocean	Parks and Recreation	\$3,500,000	\$0	\$3,500,000	Connect the Fish Creek Trail to the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail	Non Motorized transportation that connects Spenard, Midtown, Turnagain, West Anchorage and Downtown	Design development has started internally and MOA Parks and Recreation is positioned to start the public process with funding established.	

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NA	Forest Health and Park Safety	Parks and Recreation	\$200,000		\$200,000	Funds will be used to address various issues impacting forest health on parkland. This includes the mitigation of spruce bark beetle kill, the removal of hazard trees from the 2012 windstorm, and the management of invasive species.	Clean up efforts are still needed for areas of forest impacted by the 2012 windstorm event. Additionally, the recent infestation of spruce bark beetle in southcentral Alaska will result in significant loss of spruce trees and will require mitigation to reduce fire danger and ensure public health and safety. Also, invasive species along greenbelts are impacting native vegetation and riparian/stream health.	Park maintenance and horticulture crews continually assess parks and trails and address issues as they come up to ensure that park assets are safe for Anchorage citizens.	
NA	Tony Knowles Coastal Trail Erosion	Parks and Recreation	\$3,500,000	\$400,000	\$3,100,000	Design development and implementation to protect the land water interface along the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail	To protect the eroding banks along the trail corridor.	Recent and ongoing bank armoring has provided protection for a 5- 10 year period.	
NA	Wayfinding	Parks and Recreation	\$750,000	\$150,000	\$550,000	Design, development and implementation of wayfinding for Anchorage's paved & soft surface trails.	Wayfinding provides increased safety and an improved experience for the area wide trail system.	Anchorage has over 250 miles of trails and improved wayfinding will address safety and navigation concerns.	