



## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Transportation Commission

**From:** Erin Leonhart, Intergovernmental Relations Manager

**Date:** June 1, 2010

**Subject:** Council Retreat Follow-up – Balanced Transportation Performance Measures

The City Council began a goal-setting process at its 2009 Council Retreat. Between March and September 2009, the Council refined the value and goal statements. The final statements were adopted in September 2009. Since that time, performance measures related to the goals were developed by staff for City Council review.

During the 2010 City Council Retreat, the Council discussed proposed performance measures related to the adopted City Council Goals. Performance measures related to Balanced Transportation (see below) were referred to the Transportation Commission for review and potential revision.

### IV. Balanced Transportation

**Value Statement:** Kirkland values an integrated multi-modal system of transportation choices.

**Goal:** To reduce reliance on single occupancy vehicles.

#### Performance Measures:

MEASURE	2007	2008	2009	2010	GOAL
Numbers of bicycles and pedestrians as measured by annual count program (Bicyclist/Pedestrian)		176/398	128/480		10% over 2008 levels by 2015
Annual feet of sidewalk construction on at least one side of school walk route on collectors and arterials					Complete all by 2019
Number of auto accidents involving bikes or pedestrians (Bicyclist/Pedestrian)	14/21	12/15	8/13	0/2	<b>Benchmark needed</b>

### Transportation Commission Meeting – May 19, 2010

Staff began the conversation about Balanced Transportation performance measures with the Transportation Commission on May 19, 2010. The Commission offered the following initial comments about the Balanced Transportation Measures:

- Staff-proposed measures
  - Numbers of bicycles and pedestrians should be related to population
  - Measure related to auto accidents should be in the form of rates instead of number
- Additional measures proposed by Commission
  - Metro/Sound Transit Ridership
  - Mode Split from Commute Trip Reduction Program
  - Decrease in Cars per Household
  - Development of Multi-modal Concurrency Guidelines & Codes

The Transportation Commission also expressed an interest in reviewing proposed performance measures for other Council Goals: Financial Stability, Environment and Dependable Infrastructure. These goals and related performance measures are included below.

## VII. Financial Stability

**Value Statement:** Citizens of Kirkland enjoy high quality services that meet the community's priorities.

**Goal:** Provide a sustainable level of core services that are funded from predictable revenue.

### Performance Measures:

MEASURE	2007	2008	2009	2010	GOAL
Maintain AAA credit rating (according to Standard & Poor's)	AA	AAA	AAA	AAA	100%
Minimum balance in General Purpose contingency reserves as a percent of target	89%		55%		80%
Investment in public service areas rated as highly important in community survey	N/A	94%	N/A	93%	80%

**Note:** These Financial Stability measures were reviewed and revised by the Council Finance Committee on March 30<sup>th</sup>

## VIII. Environment

**Value Statement:** We are committed to the protection of the natural environment through an integrated natural resource management system.

**Goal:** To protect our natural environment for current residents and future generations.

### Performance Measures:

MEASURE	2007	2008	2009	2010	GOAL
Annual decrease in total waste per capita entering the landfill	15,429 tons	14,320 tons	14,320 tons	13,726 tons	2.5%
	+1.5%	-7.2%	-7.2%	-2.5%	

MEASURE	2007	2008	2009	2010	GOAL
Tree coverage (estimated at 32% in 2003, Urban Tree Canopy project due to be completed by the end of 2010)					40%
Reduction in greenhouse gas emissions (data for 2009 currently being collected and analyzed)					80% below 2005 levels by 2050
Surface water quality as measured by the benthic index of biotic integrity					Increasing trend

## X. Dependable Infrastructure

**Value Statement:** Kirkland has a well-maintained and sustainable infrastructure that meets the functional needs of the community.

**Goal:** To maintain levels of service commensurate with growing community requirements at optimum life-cycle costs.

### Performance Measures:

MEASURE	2007	2008	2009	2010	GOAL
Pavement Condition Index for major & minor arterial streets	59*	52	**	**	70
Pavement Condition Index for collectors and neighborhood streets	73*	68	**	**	65
Residents surveyed are satisfied with maintenance of active transportation facilities (bike lanes, walking paths, sidewalks, etc.)		83%		84%***	90%
Number of annual water main failures caused by fatigue or age	3	8	0		

\*From 2004 PCI survey, however these numbers are a little skewed as they have information from overlays done in 2005, but doesn't account for the degradation/decline on streets not resurfaced since the 2004 PCI survey.

\*\*Based on PCI survey done in 2008

\*\*\*Average of Walking Paths, Bike Lanes & Sidewalks