



City of San Antonio

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DEPARTMENT: Transportation Department

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COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Council Consideration Request by Councilmembers Jalen McKee-Rodriguez (District 2) and Marina Alderete Gavito (District 7) on a Citywide Traffic Analysis.

SUMMARY:

Briefing on a Council Consideration Request (CCR) submitted by Councilmembers Jalen McKee-Rodriguez (District 2) and Marina Alderete Gavito (District 7) on a Citywide Traffic Analysis.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

On October 17, 2023, Councilmembers Jalen McKee-Rodriguez (District 2) and Marina Alderete Gavito (District 7) submitted a CCR to conduct a Citywide Traffic Analysis.

The CCR specifically requests staff to conduct a city-wide traffic analysis that:

- Analyzes existing traffic patterns

- Identifies areas of the city that experience frequent congestion, speeding, and other traffic-related issues
- Determines recommendations to support long-lasting improvements to increase safety, reduce congestion, and enhance mobility
- Serves as a tool for our Transportation Department for planning purposes
- Will be used to support the strategic deployment of city resources, including the re-examination of the traffic calming application to include speedbumps and the criteria necessary to qualify for traffic mitigation measures.

ISSUE:

As San Antonio continues to grow in population, traffic congestion and pattern concerns will also grow among residents and visitors alike. A citywide traffic analysis can help cities understand how traffic flows, identify problem areas and develop solutions that improve mobility and safety. Additionally, a traffic analysis can help cities identify bottlenecks and implement solutions to alleviate congestion. For example, the data derived from a traffic analysis can be used to improve traffic signal timing or identify opportunities to improve connectivity.

To determine the appropriate methodology for conducting a traffic analysis for a city our size, the Transportation Department shall conduct research on Citywide Traffic Analyses that have occurred in municipalities similar to San Antonio. This research will include the extent of analysis, its cost, estimated timeline, and its application.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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ALTERNATIVES:

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RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the cost associated with conducting a Citywide Traffic Analysis be discussed as part of the FY 2025 Budget Goal Setting Session scheduled for April 18, 2024.