

2026 Annual Work Plan

City of Bellingham Transportation Commission

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1	Chair reporting	Information	Ongoing	C	C	C	C	S	S	S	O	S	S	S	S	Monthly reporting: commissioner appointments; other
2	Staff reporting items	Information only	Ongoing	C	C	C	C	S	S	S	O	S	S	S	S	Monthly reporting: scheduling; Capital Improvement Projects; other
3	Parking removal and related parking issues for Transportation Fund projects	Decision	Ongoing				C	S	S	S	O	S	S	S	S	Assess monthly. As needed on a project-by-project basis.
4	Commute Trip Reduction	Decision	Higher	C							O					Discussion/decision on program for large employers (>100 workers) within City of Bellingham.
5	Speed limit ordinance	Information only	Higher	C			C				O					
6	Transportation Report on Annual Mobility (TRAM)	Information only	Higher								O					Off-cycle (normally in June) status report. Consider the June 2026 report as a biennial report?
7	Automated traffic safety cameras	Discussion	Higher								O					
8	Bicycle Master Plan and Pedestrian Master Plan Implementation Tracking: establish measures and targets	Decision	Medium								O					Included in May 20, 2024 City Council resolution adopting bicycle and pedestrian master plans. Furth discussion in January 2025 and April 2025.
9	Downtown Connections Plan	Discussion	Higher								O					
10	Transportation Impact Fee (TIF) rate study	Discussion	Medium		C						O					

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11	Holly Street Bike Lane Project	Discussion	Higher								o					Provide project update when timely. Likely Q1 or Q2 2026. Project presentation occurred in November 2025.
12	Changes to Bellingham Municipal Code (BMC) and standard drawings	Discussion	Ongoing								o					
13	Connections map	Discussion	Higher								o					
14	Traffic calming policy	Discussion	Medium								o					
15	Bike, car, scooter share programs	Discussion	Lower								o					
16	Private electric vehicle charging in public right-of-way	Discussion	Lower	c							o					
17	Parking code changes	Discussion	Medium								o					
18	Traffic Safety Behavior Change Program	Discussion	Higher		c						o					
19	Climate Action Plan	Discussion	Higher	c							o					Topics to consider include bike/walk mode shift and transit coordination.
10-Feb-2026	Grants strategy	Discussion	Higher		c						o					Annually in February meeting
10-Mar-2026	Local Road Safety Plan / Safe Systems Approach	Information only	Higher			c					o					Once every two years in March. Reported LRSP in March 2024. This is updated to apply for certain grants that happen on a two-year cycle. <b>Next presentation will be in 2026.</b>
10-Mar-2026	WTA Rapid Transit Study	Information only	Higher			c					o					Presentation requested by WTA.

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14-Apr-2026	Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) development	Discussion					C				O					Annually in April
14-Apr-2026	EV Charger Rates	Discussion	Higher				C									
12-May-2026	Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)	Decision	Higher					S			O					Annually in May. Recommendation for City Council.
9-Jun-2026	Transportation Report on Annual Mobility (TRAM)	Information only	Higher						S		O					Annually in June. For 2026, the report may be completed earlier in the year and cover a two-year period (2024 and 2025).
14-Jul-2026	Open Meeting Act training	Information only	Higher							S	O					Annually in July
14-Jul-2026	Records Management Act training	Information only	Higher							S	O					Annually in July
14-Jul-2026	Bellingham School District update (Safe Routes to School)	Discussion	Higher							S	O					Annually in July. Topics to consider include Safe Routes to School, School Zone Safety Analysis, and potentially others. Coordinate with BSD.
8-Sep-2026	Community Streets Program	Discussion	Higher								O	S				Annually in September (report on prior year and recommend projects for construction in upcoming year).
13-Oct-2026	Community Streets Program	Decision	Higher								O		S			Annually in October (report on prior year and recommend projects for construction in upcoming year).
10-Nov-2026	Meeting calendar for upcoming year	Decision	Higher								O			S		Annually in November
8-Dec-2026	Review annual work plan	Discussion	Higher								O				S	Annually in December; update as needed during the year.

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8-Dec-2026	Election of officers (Chair and Vice-chair)	Decision	Higher								O				S	Annually in December in preparation for next calendar year.