

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Public Hearing/1st reading for the City Council Meeting of November 20, 2012 2nd reading for the City Council Meeting of December 11, 2012

DATE: November 7, 2012

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ADA Master Plan

CAPTION:

Ordinance amending the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Corpus Christi by adoption of the Corpus Christi ADA Master Plan; providing for repeal of conflicting ordinances; and providing for severance

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this Agenda Item is to provide a planning document as a basis for initiating design and construction projects as prioritized by the ADA Master Plan as funding becomes available.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The ADA Title II Comprehensive Evaluation and Transition Plan (Transition Plan) was adopted by City Council on February 11, 2003. The Transition Plan evaluated the magnitude of ADA improvements that needed to be addressed by the City and formulated a plan for implementation and included an estimate of \$125 million for curb ramps citywide. This ADA Master Plan supplements the Transition Plan and evaluates not only the curb ramps which need to be constructed but also the accessible routes connecting the curb ramps along arterial and collector streets.

The ADA Master Plan is a planning document which prioritizes ADA improvements within public right-or-ways in areas where Capital Improvements and Bond Projects have not been identified. The priorities are based on:

- 1. Access to City, State and Public Buildings
- 2. Access to Major Transportation Routes (Bus Routes) and
- 3. Access to Places of Public Accommodation.

The total estimated Project Cost in 2012 dollars is \$66 million.

A public hearing was held and the plan approved by the Planning Commission meeting on Wednesday, September 26, 2012.

ALTERNATIVES:

Do not approve ordinance.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

Not applicable

CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:

The City Council must approve all amendments to the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Corpus Christi.

EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:

Non-Emergency. As per City policy, a public hearing must be held to amend the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Corpus Christi.

DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:

Legal

□ Operating

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Fiscal Year: 2011- 2012	Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Line Item Budget				
Encumbered /				
Expended Amount				
This item				
BALANCE				

□ Capital

X Not applicable

Fund(s):

Comments: There is no budget impact from this Agenda Item.

□ Revenue

RECOMMENDATION:

City staff recommends approval of the ADA Master Plan as an element of the Corpus Christi Comprehensive Plan.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Ordinance