

# City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201



**Agenda Item Number:** REP 58-15

**Department Source:** City Manager

**To:** City Council

**From:** City Manager & Staff

**Council Meeting Date:** 5/18/2015

**Re:** "Your 2015-2025 Street and Public Safety Projects" SpeakUpCoMo Results

## Documents Included With This Agenda Item

Council memo

**Supporting documentation includes:** Results: City's Project List, Your Project Ideas

## Executive Summary

The attachments to this report provide the results from the SpeakUpComo "Your 2015-2025 Street and Public Safety Projects" campaign.

## Discussion

The City recently launched SpeakUpCoMo.com, an online engagement platform from Granicus. The first campaign on SpeakUpCoMo addressed the proposed projects for the August 2015 Capital Improvement Sales Tax renewal. Two forums were used: one to gather votes and comments on proposed projects, and another to gather citizen ideas for projects they would like to see on the ballot.

The campaign was open from 5/1/2015 to 5/15/2015. Council was provided the results on 5/15/2015 in advance of the vote for the proposed Capital Improvement Sales Tax renewal.

## Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: N/A

Long-Term Impact: N/A

## Vision, Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Vision Impact: Not Applicable

Strategic Plan Impact: Customer Focused Government

Comprehensive Plan Impact: Not Applicable

## Suggested Council Action

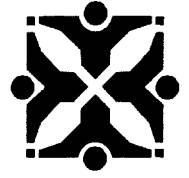
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## Legislative History

N/A

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Department Approved



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City Manager Approved



## SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS INCLUDED WITH THIS AGENDA ITEM ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Results: City's Project List, Your Project Ideas

## Your Project Ideas

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PARTICIPANTS

4

IDEAS

1

COMMENTS

4

VOTES

## SUMMARY OF IDEAS

### IDEA: W STEWART RD BIKE LANES 1 Comments · 1 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · May 05, 2015

Paint bike lanes on W Stewart Rd, between West Blvd and Garth Ave. I realize right at the stop sign at Garth the road is not wide enough for any bike lane, but it seems sufficiently wide the rest of the way to West. There is a good amount of bike traffic due to proximity to campus. Maybe painting a divider line in the center of the street would additionally help reduce driver stress is navigating bikes on the right and oncoming traffic on the left. However, I don't know the quantitative requirements for a bike lane, so please correct me if I am mistaken.

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· Citizen · (Postal Code: unknown) · May 06, 2015 8:35 pm

 0 Votes

Hmm, maybe it is indeed too narrow? (It was wider in my mind, it seems.) Still curious to know for sure.

### IDEA: ROUNDABOUT AT KEENE AND I-70 DR. SE. 0 Comments · 1 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · May 09, 2015

Place a roundabout at the Keene St. and I-70 Drive SE intersection. It backs up very far and is very difficult to make a left turn towards the 70 and 63 connector.

### IDEA: REPLACE AGING BUSES 0 Comments · 1 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · May 02, 2015

In the past, the federal government paid for 80% of new buses, but with higher deficits these programs have become unreliable. That doesn't stop our bus fleet from aging. Given the age of our buses, we are short on buses, sometimes unable to cover routes because too many buses are out of

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service for repair & maintenance. Replacing aging diesel buses with electric buses will cost a little more than buying new diesel buses-- but will save substantially in the long run.

### **IDEA: REGARDING STUDENT HOUSING VS SENIOR ADULT HOUSING.**

 0 Comments · 1 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · May 04, 2015

We need more affordable housing for senior adults instead of for college students. That should be the responsibility of the University not our downtown! If Columbia is touted as being appealing to senior adults, we should make sure it is! There is Bethel Ridge which is based on a low income; and there are several high priced facilities currently or in the process of being built. But for middle class or middle retirement income folks, the choices are few and far between.

I also fear that as more college classes become available on line, the demand for student housing will decrease in years to come rather than increase. and then what will happen to all of those high rises? Why is no one addressing these needs for retirees?

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14

PARTICIPANTS

21

IDEAS

10

COMMENTS

79

VOTES

### SUMMARY OF IDEAS

#### **IDEA: SIDEWALK REPAIR FUNDS**

 0 Comments · 8 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · Apr 21, 2015

Cost: \$1,012,000

These funds will be used to repair failing sidewalks.

#### **IDEA: NEW SIDEWALK FUNDS**

 0 Comments · 7 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · Apr 21, 2015

Cost: \$3,500,000

These funds will be used to complete multiple projects from the sidewalk CIP list. Projects include filling sidewalk gaps, constructing sidewalks where there are no sidewalks located on either side of busy roads, and fulfilling other new sidewalk needs.

#### **IDEA: SINCLAIR AND NIFONG INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT**

 1 Comments · 6 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · Apr 21, 2015

Cost: \$2,250,000


This location is currently a 4-way stop. The growth of residential development in South Columbia and nearby Mill Creek Elementary have created the need for a signalized intersection or roundabout (<http://goo.gl/oIAEBc>). The intersection improvement will also include improvements for safe vehicle movements for picking up and dropping off children at the elementary school.

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· Citizen · (Postal Code: unknown) · May 02, 2015 8:23 pm

 0 Votes

Instead of reacting to new development and sprawl, we should focus our resources on the older parts of the City-- those whose tax dollars have already paid for that new development & sprawl. Come back to the core of the City.

### **IDEA: ANNUAL AND OTHER FUNDS** 0 Comments · 5 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · Apr 21, 2015

Cost - Annual Funds: \$12,910,000 Contingency: \$4,000,000 Inflation: \$4,000,000

Not every project or needed repair can be planned for. Annual funds insure that money is available each year for repairs and opportunities for co-funding projects with the county, state, and feds. Funds include: City/County/State Projects, Historic Brick Street Renovations, Landscaping, Traffic Safety, Streets/Corridor Preservation, and Street Reconstruction.

Even planned projects can have surprises that is why the City sets aside funds in a contingency category.

Finally, this is a 10 year ballot and money today is not same as money tomorrow, so the City sets aside \$4 million for account for inflation.

### **IDEA: DISCOVERY PARKWAY GANS TO NEW HAVEN** 1

Comments · 5 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · Apr 21, 2015

Cost: \$5,400,000

This project will construct a new road that will connect the new interchange at Highway 63 and Discovery Park with the newly constructed Rolling Hills Road. This connector road will provide an improved route for traffic flow from southeast Columbia to northeast Columbia.

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· Citizen · (Postal Code: unknown) · May 01, 2015 1:37 pm

 0 Votes

We shouldn't build new roads until we can easily afford to maintain the roads we have now. Building new roads is irresponsible; we won't be able to maintain a new road in the future any more than we can maintain the roads we have now.

### **IDEA: ASH STREET INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS (ASH AND CLINKSCALES, PERSHING, WEST BLVD, AND GARTH)**

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0 Comments · 5 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · Apr 21, 2015

Cost: \$2,600,000

In addition to Broadway, the Ash Street corridor is a heavily used east-west street for crossing the City and most of the intersections are controlled by 4-way stops. This project will replace the 4-ways stops with roundabouts or traffic signals in order to improve traffic flow, reduce vehicle emissions, reduce fuel consumption, and decrease travel time.

### IDEA: FORUM AND GREEN MEADOWS ROUNDABOUT 0

Comments · 4 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · Apr 21, 2015

Cost: \$610,000

This is currently a four-way stop with multiple lanes on Forum. Roundabouts (<http://goo.gl/olAEBc>) have proved to be effective at safely handling higher volume intersections, especially in residential areas. The roundabout will help improve traffic flow, reduce emissions, and reduce fuel consumption

### IDEA: RENOVATIONS TO THE GRISSUM BUILDING 2

Comments · 4 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · Apr 23, 2015

Cost: \$4,500,000

The Grissum building is home to most of the vehicles and equipment for Public Work's Sewer, Transit, Streets, Solid Waste, Fleet Operations, and Traffic Divisions. Built in the 1960's this facility is in need of an overhaul to support many of the City's core services for maintaining our infrastructure.

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· Citizen · (Postal Code: unknown) · May 02, 2015 8:24 pm

 0 Votes

Where is the Grissum Building located?

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· Citizen · (Postal Code: unknown) · May 04, 2015 2:31 pm

 0 Votes

Hi Rachel. The Grissum Building is right next to the Municipal Power Plant on Business Loop 70. The address is 1313 Lakeview Drive.



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### IDEA: FAIRVIEW AND CHAPEL HILL ROUNDABOUT

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Comments · 3 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · Apr 21, 2015

Cost: \$600,000

This is currently a four-way stop. Roundabouts (<http://goo.gl/olAEBc>) have proved to be effective at safely handling higher volume intersections, especially in residential areas. The roundabout will help improve traffic flow, reduce emissions, and reduce fuel consumption.

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· Citizen · (Postal Code: unknown) · May 01, 2015 6:28 pm

 0 Votes

Would this be the same (physically) as the Fairview & Rollins roundabout? I think there's a little more intersection area to work with here, right?

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· Citizen · (Postal Code: unknown) · May 01, 2015 6:43 pm

 0 Votes

David Kaplan, No. The proposed round-about for Fairview at Chapel Hill would be a "normal" size round-about as there is more property to work with. We will still likely need some types of easements from a couple of abutting property owners, but not a lot. Thanks for your comment.

### IDEA: OLD MILL CREEK AND NIFONG INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT

 0 Comments · 3 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · Apr 21, 2015

Cost: \$890,000

This location is currently a 4-way stop. The growth of residential development in South Columbia has created the need for a signalized intersection or roundabout (<http://goo.gl/olAEBc>) at this location in order to improve traffic flow.

### IDEA: REPLACE FIRE TRUCKS

 0 Comments · 3 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · Apr 21, 2015

Cost: \$10,500,000 for 10 Trucks

In order to properly maintain its fleet of expensive apparatus, the Department utilizes a schedule that allows for the replacement of a fire truck after approximately 14-16 years. The funds from the ballot allow for

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scheduled replacement in a fiscally responsible manner. Columbia Fire Department proposes replacing 10 vehicles over the 10 years of the tax.

### **IDEA: REPAIR WALNUT FROM COLLEGE AVE. TO OLD 63** 0

Comments · 3 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · Apr 21, 2015

Cost: \$500,000

This project is a major street repair. The road pavement consist of both concrete and asphalt sections and is failing in many locations. The existing pavement will be removed and replaced with either an asphalt or a concrete road.

### **IDEA: CREATE FOUR LANES ON FORUM FROM CHAPEL HILL TO WOODRAIL** 0 Comments · 3 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · Apr 21, 2015

Cost: \$13,700,000

Forum Blvd is a major corridor through Columbia. The section of Forum between Chapel Hill and Woodrail is two lanes while north of Chapel Hill and south of Woodrail the road is four lanes. Traffic also backs up while cars wait to turn into Wilson's Total Fitness. This project will increase the road to four lanes and replace the bridge over Hinkson Creek in order to improve travel time.

### **IDEA: REPAIR FIRE TRAINING ACADEMY** 0 Comments · 3 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · Apr 21, 2015

Cost: \$500,000

A facility that is designed to simulate the situations firefighters will encounter in their jobs goes through a lot of wear and tear. Almost all of the facility is over 30 years old and these funds will provide repairs that will keep the Fire Department's academy providing the training needed for our firefighters to be ready for real world emergencies.

### **IDEA: NIFONG IMPROVEMENTS FROM PROVIDENCE TO FORUM** 0 Comments · 3 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · Apr 21, 2015

Cost: \$12,300,000

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Nifong has become a major corridor west of Providence and is in need of improvements to handle the increased traffic. At this location, Nifong reduces down to a two lane road. This project will increase it four lanes in order to improve travel time.

### **IDEA: REPAIR RANGELINE FROM ROGERS TO WILKES** 0

Comments · 2 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · Apr 21, 2015

Cost: \$250,000

This project is a major street repair. The City overlayed the street last year as a temporary fix, but the existing road needs to be removed, the base repaired, and a new concrete street constructed to provide a permanent fix for this road that will last long into the future.

### **IDEA: MUNICIPAL SERVICE CENTER SOUTH - SALT DOME AND FUELING STATION (PHASE 1)** 0 Comments · 2 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · Apr 21, 2015

Cost - Salt Dome: \$740,000 Garage and Fueling Station: \$2,000,000

During the regular course of work and especially during a snow event City crews have to return to North Columbia for fuel, maintenance, and salt. It can take more than an hour for a crew to leave their route in South Columbia, fill up, and then return to work. A facility in South Columbia will save fuel, time, and help the City provide better service.

### **IDEA: REPAIR GARTH AVE. FROM BUSINESS LOOP TO THURMAN**

 1 Comments · 2 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · Apr 21, 2015

Cost: \$3,950,000

This project is a major street repair. The concrete pavement is over 40 years old and is failing in many locations. The project will remove and replace the concrete street.

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· Citizen · (Postal Code: unknown) · May 01, 2015 1:35 pm

 0 Votes

The big trucks that deliver cars to Machens tear up this road. Machens should pay for

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some of the repair.

### **IDEA: SITE FOR NEW FIRE STATION** 2 Comments · 2 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · Apr 21, 2015

Cost: \$1,000,000

In order to respond to our customers as quickly as needed for fires and medical emergencies, the Fire Department looks at the places it can reach within four minutes of travel time from the nearest Fire Station. As the City continues to grow over the next ten years, more residents will fall outside of the recommended 4 minute travel time from our existing fire stations (green area on the map). These funds will be set aside so that the City can identify and purchase land for the next fire station.

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· Citizen · (Postal Code: unknown) · May 01, 2015 6:22 pm

 0 Votes

Just to clarify (sorry for my ignorance): the gray shading on the map indicates areas currently in Columbia, but outside the 4min range? And "...City continues to grow" refers to higher population density within the gray areas, rather than a geographic "growth" of the gray areas themselves? And Boone County Fire covers whatever's not gray?

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· Citizen · (Postal Code: unknown) · May 01, 2015 6:32 pm

 0 Votes

Hi David, Thanks for the question. You are right. The gray area represents areas in the city limits that are outside the 4 min travel time. While density is certainly a concern for Fire, geographic growth is what this particular map is concerned with. Travel time is based on how long it would take a fire truck to get to an area from a fire station on the current road network. CFD still responds to areas outside of the green area, they just fall outside of the recommend 4 minute travel time. There is an agreement between the Fire District and CFD to handle calls for service that fall between service areas.

### **IDEA: MUNICIPAL SERVICE CENTER NORTH - POLICE PRECINCT (PHASE 1)** 2 Comments · 2 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · Apr 28, 2015

Cost: \$9,690,000

Columbia Police Department is dedicated to pursuing community policing - getting officers into the neighborhoods and forming positive relationships with residents. That is hard to do from a central location in a city of 64 square miles. A precinct in the northeast not only brings needed services and decreases in response times, it also brings a community facility with public

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meeting rooms and other amenities.

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· Citizen · (Postal Code: unknown) · May 01, 2015 6:14 pm

👍 0 Votes

Approximate address? (More precise than "northeast".)

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· Citizen · (Postal Code: unknown) · May 01, 2015 6:34 pm

👍 0 Votes

Hi David, We do not have a specific location identified at this time.

### **IDEA: WIDEN BALLENGER LANE FROM RIA TO MEXICO GRAVEL**

💬 0 Comments · 1 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · Apr 21, 2015

Cost: \$2,690,000

Ballenger Lane is a busy road that currently does not have any pedestrian facilities such as sidewalks or bike lanes. This project proposes to widen Ballenger Lane so that there is a shoulder on each side of the road that can be safely used by pedestrians to walk or bike.

### **IDEA: TOPIC: REPLACE FIRE TRUCKS**

💬 0 Comments · 1 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · Apr 21, 2015

Cost: \$10,500,000 for 10 Trucks

They look new and shiny but many of the Fire Departments vehicles are well over 15 years old and by the time they are replaced with the funds in this ballot they will be nearing 20 years of age. Columbia Fire Department proposes replacing 10 vehicles over the 10 years of the tax.

### **IDEA: RENOVATIONS TO POLICE HEADQUARTERS**

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Comments · 1 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · Apr 21, 2015

Cost: \$3,000,000

A quick tour of CPD's downtown headquarters we reveal why this facility is greatly in need of updating, repairs, and improvements. The facility is crowded, separates command staff from operational staff, not very energy efficient, and has an atmosphere that does not create the best working environment. CPD has made do with patches, creativity, and innovation but

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this facility has reached a point where some renovations are necessary.

### **IDEA: REPAIR FIRE STATIONS**

 0 Comments · 1 Votes

**Author:** · (Postal Code: unknown) · Apr 21, 2015

Cost: \$1,098,000

Fire stations are much more than garages for fire trucks, they are a temporary home for the men and women of the Fire Department. Just like any other home they need repairs, updated systems, and expansions. Three of the Department's fire stations were built in the 1970's and have recieved no major remodeling or repairs since. These repairs will extend the useful life of these facilities and reduce ongoing maintenance and energy costs.