

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-XXX

A RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SANTA ANA FINDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM IS CONSISTENT WITH THE SANTA ANA GENERAL PLAN

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SANTA ANA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Planning Commission of the City of Santa Ana hereby finds, determines and declares as follows:

- A. California Government Code Section 65401 requires review of the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) by the Planning Commission to determine that the program is consistent with the General Plan.
- B. The City has prepared a Fiscal Year 2025-2026 CIP.
- C. On May 12, 2025, the Planning Commission reviewed and considered all factors relating to the consistency between the General Plan and the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 CIP.
- D. The proposed CIP is consistent with the Santa Ana General Plan because the projects under the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 CIP are consistent with one or more of the following General Plan goals and policies:

Community Goals Element

Recreation and Culture:

- i. Policy CM-1.7 supports the efforts to connect residents and visitors to local and regional cultural, educational, and natural environments.
- ii. Policy CM-10 supports placemaking elements and technology into existing and new park and facilities to encourage use of public spaces, access to educational resources, and community-led activities.

Active Living and Well-Being:

- iii. Policy CM-3.5 encourages positive community interactions and neighborhood pride to create secure communities and promote safe public spaces.

- iv. Policy CM-3.8 repurposes underutilized spaces and City-owned vacant land as a strategy to improve community health and increase the number and accessibility of opportunities for health and recreation activities. Prioritize the redevelopment of such sites within environmental justice area boundaries and other areas underserved by parks and recreation opportunities.

Mobility Element:

- v. Policy M-11.1 encourages the achievement of minimized fatalities from traffic collisions through education, enforcement, and infrastructure design.
- vi. Policy M-1.3 supports the utilization of technology to efficiently move people and vehicles and manage motor vehicle speeds.
- vii. Policy M-1.6 promotes the transformation of travelways to accommodate all users through street design and amenities, such as sidewalks, trees, landscaping, street furniture, and bus shelters.
- viii. Policy M-1.9 ensures the street network is consistent with standards set in the OCTA Master Plan of Arterials Highways and the Congestion Management Program.
- ix. Policy M-1.11 promotes the development of innovative and safe travel and delivery services through partnerships with business and industry leaders.
- x. Goal M-3 promotes a safe, balanced, and integrated network of travelways for nonmotorized modes of transportation that connects people to activity centers, inspiring healthy and active lifestyles.

Economic Prosperity Element:

- xi. Policy EP-2.7 supports the provision of state-of-the-art infrastructure systems with sufficient capacity to attract emerging businesses, encourage efficient public service delivery, and foster a sustainable community.
- xii. Policy EP-3.4 encourages the development of “complete communities” that provide a range of housing, services, amenities, and transportation options to support the retention and attraction of a skilled workforce and employment base.

Public Services Element:

- xiii. Goal PS-1 supports the provision of quality and efficient facilities that are adequately funded, accessible, safe, and strategically located.

- xiv. Policy PS-2.11 encourages coordination with utilities and public agencies to develop, maintain, relocate, and/or upgrade critical local and regional public facilities and infrastructure systems to ensure their resiliency during times of extreme weather or natural disasters, or toxic emission release.
- xv. Goal PS-3 promotes the supply, maintenance, and expansion of City services and infrastructure improvements through innovative funding options and sustainable practices.

Conservation Element:

- xvi. Policy CN-1.18 promotes the coordination with park renovation and new development to address air quality and climate impacts by reducing the heat island affect by providing green infrastructure and shade, and reducing air pollution by providing vegetation that removes pollutants and air particles.
- xvii. Goal CN-2 promotes the preservation and enhancement of Santa Ana's natural and environmental resources while maintaining a balance between recreation, habitat restoration, and scenic resources.
- xviii. Policy CN-3.5 promotes and encourages the planting of native and diverse tree species to improve air quality, reduce heat island effect, reduce energy consumption, and contribute to carbon mitigation with special focus in environmental justice areas.
- xix. Goal CN-4 supports the conservation and replenishment of existing and future water resources.

Open Space Element:

- xx. Goal OS-1 encourages the provision of an integrated system of accessible parks, recreation facilities, and open space to serve the City of Santa Ana.
- xxi. Goal OS-2 supports the provision of welcoming, inclusive, safe, and healthy parks, recreation facilities, and activities to serve Santa Ana residents regardless of age, ability, or income.
- xxii. Goal OS-3 supports the maintenance and management of parks, recreation facilities, trails and open space to sustain City assets and support safe use.

Noise Element:

- xxiii. Goal N-1 ensures that existing and future land uses are compatible with current and projected local and regional noise conditions.

- xxiv. Policy N-1.2 encourages functional and attractive designs to mitigate excessive noise levels.

Safety Element:

- xxv. Goal S-1 promotes the protection of life and minimization of property damage, social and economic disruptions caused by flood and inundation hazards.
- xxvi. Goal S-2 protects residents and environmental resources from contaminated hazardous material sites and minimizes risks associated with the use, production, storage, transport, and disposal of hazardous materials.

Land Use Element:

- xxvii. Goal LU-1 supports the provision of a land use plan that improves quality of life and respects our existing community.
- xxviii. Goal LU-2 promotes the provision of a balance of land uses that meet Santa Ana's diverse needs.
- xxix. Goal LU-3 supports the preservation and improvement of the character and integrity of existing neighborhoods and districts.
- xxx. Goal LU-4 supports a sustainable Santa Ana through improvements to the built environment and a culture of collaboration.

Historic Preservation Element:

- xxxi. Goal HP-1 promotes the preservation and enhancement of Santa Ana's historic areas and resources to maintain a unique sense of place.

Urban Design Element:

- xxxii. Goal UD-1 supports the improvement of the physical character and livability of the City to promote a sense of place, positive community image, and quality environment.
- xxxiii. Goal UD-2 supports the improvement of the built environment through sustainable development that is proportional and aesthetically related to its setting.
- xxxiv. Goal UD-3 promotes the creation and maintenance of safe and attractive travelways through coordinated streetscape design.

- xxxv: Goal UD-4 supports the creation of nodes and urban hubs throughout the City to foster community, education, arts and culture, business activities, and entertainment.
- xxxvi. Goal UD-5 supports the creation of focal points at major intersections to enhance community identity and open space.
- xxxvii. Goal UD-6 promotes the creation of new and protection of existing City landmarks and memorable places that convey positive images.

Section 2. In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines, the recommended action is Categorically Exempt from CEQA per Section 15306. This exemption consists of basic data collection, research, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. These may be strictly for information gathering purposes, or as part of a study leading to an action which a public agency has not yet approved, adopted, or funded.


Section 3. The Planning Commission hereby determines that the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Capital Improvement Program is consistent with the goals and policies outlined in the City's General Plan.

ADOPTED this 12th day of May, 2025.

AYES: Commissioners:
NOES: Commissioners:
ABSENT: Commissioners:
ABSTENTIONS: Commissioners:

Jennifer Oliva
Chairperson

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Sonia R. Carvalho, City Attorney

By: 

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CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTATION AND ORIGINALITY

I, Nuvia Ocampo, Commission Secretary, do hereby attest to and certify the attached Resolution No. 2025-xxx to be the original resolution adopted by the Planning Commission of the City of Santa Ana on May 12, 2025.

Date: _____

Nuvia Ocampo, Commission Secretary
City of Santa Ana