



Introduction

Transportation is the movement of people, goods and services to and from residential, commercial, industrial and recreational centers. The transportation network is one of the principal driving forces behind the economic and social growth and prosperity of a city and a region.

Currently, there are numerous plans and maps highlighting the future development of roads in the City of Beavercreek. It is the intention of this Thoroughfare Plan to utilize the existing Thoroughfare Plan while consolidating the City's 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan with the regional MPO's (MVRPC) Long Range Plan and Transportation Improvement Plan and create a composite map. Then take that consolidated map and look comprehensively at what is planned for the community, to find gaps between the plans, and to create a plan that fills any such gaps while projecting corridors where future improvements make the most sense based on anticipated development trends.



Benefits of a Thoroughfare Plan

1. Allows for the efficient utilization of the existing infrastructure to meet the current traffic demands and the reservation of necessary right-of-way* for future long-term developments.
2. Establishes a framework for the future development of the City in which the functional role of each roadway is defined. This framework ensures that the major areas of the community are connected to each other as well as connecting adjacent jurisdictions to the community, not only for motorized vehicles but for all users of the transportation system.
3. Provides data regarding planned thoroughfare improvements and amenities prior to the application for federal and/or state transportation dollars to ensure all improvement projects are comprehensively planned and interconnected.

* Right-of-way reservation with local dollars only.



Process

- **Early winter 2011**- City Planning and Engineering Departments meet to discuss overall goals of the Thoroughfare Plan
- **Spring/Summer 2011** – Create draft maps for existing motorized and non-motorized transportation.
- **Fall 2011** – Analyze past and present residential and commercial development trends to project future development patterns and locations.
 - Based on analysis, create draft maps of proposed motorized and non-motorized transportation facilities.
- **October 2011** – Submit draft non-motorized facilities map to the Beavercreek Bikeway Advisory Committee for review and comment.
- **January 2012** – Present draft motorized and non-motorized transportation facilities maps to the Planning Commission for review and comment.
- **March 2012** – Present overview of draft Thoroughfare Plan to City Council for review and comment.
- **July 2012** – Hold public open house for review of draft Thoroughfare Plan.
- **Sept 2012**– Update maps and written plan, then submit to Planning Commission for Resolution.
- **Oct 2012**– Present final Thoroughfare Plan to City Council for review and approval.



Periodic Update Required

This Plan should be thought of as an evolving, living document. Periodic updates will be necessary in the future in order to assess progress, take advantage of emerging opportunities, and re-evaluate priorities as needed. As new sections of the roadway and non-motorized transportation networks are developed and new technologies are adopted, following older plans and policies that have become antiquated, can become increasingly challenging.

A required 5-year update period will ensure unforeseen development patterns and possible different future financial situations are taken into consideration to be part of a plan based on realistic goals and objectives.