Finch West Goods Movement Transportation Workshop April 11th, 2019

Julius Banquet Hall



Study Area



Workshop Objectives

- Seek the input of local businesses that depend on commercial shipping and freight delivery
- Understand your transportation needs
- Discuss ways to improve commercial shipping and freight transportation
- Document workshop conversations to assist with long list of alternatives for Transportation Master Plan (TMP)



1st Round – <u>Trends</u> and Needs

- How do you see this area changing over the next 10+ years and beyond?
 - How has the area been changing (e.g. types of businesses operating in the area, development pressures, etc.)?
 - Have these changes impacted your operations?
 - What are your hopes and expectations for what the area will look like in the future?



Topics for Discussion

1st Round – Trends and Needs

- What are some important features of your transportation needs?
 - How frequently do you ship/receive deliveries?
 - What kinds of products are you shipping and how does that impact your transportation needs (e.g. types of vehicles)?
 - Do you have an in-house fleet or rely on third parties?
 - What time of day are your operations / shipments?
 - What access routes do you rely on?



Transportation Needs (examples)

Consideration	Examples
Frequency	Depends on size and type of company – ranging from many trucks per day to occasional shipments
Types of Shipments	Full truckloads, less than load (LTL), parcels, servicing, etc.
and Trucks	53-foot trailers, straight trucks, tankers, oversize/overweight
	Some vehicles have unique needs
Ownership	Own fleet, entirely 3 rd parties, or mix of the two
Time of Day Patterns	Truck trip patterns are different from passenger patterns. Truck trips typically peak around 10 – 11 a.m.
	Facilities differ in their hours of operation and shipping
Routes and	Direct access to highways is typically #1 priority
Destinations	Some companies use Highway 407 to avoid congestion, others avoid it because of the high tolls
Transportation Data	Businesses are welcome to share data to help us illustrate examples of issues or considerations



2nd Round – <u>Issues</u> and Solutions

- What do you consider the most important transportation / goods movement issues impacting your business (can be general or location-specific)?
 - What kinds of issues have you experienced?
 - How have these issues impacted your supply chain or operations?
 - What would you prioritize as the top issue for your business?



Topics for Discussion

2nd Round – Issues and <u>Solutions</u>

- Are there any particular solutions that you would recommend be considered?
 - Proposed solutions that you have heard discussed, or new solutions that could be considered?
 - Should the City prioritize high-dollar, high-impact vs. low-dollar, high bang-for-the-buck?
 - What benefit would you see these solutions having for your business and operations?



Issues and Solutions (examples)

Examples of Issues	Examples of Solutions
 Congestion/delay Safety Non-signalized intersections Facility access ("final 50 feet") Highway access Street grid connectivity Roadway geometric issues (e.g. turning radius) Long wait times (queuing) at intersections Conflicts between different transportation modes Poor pavement quality Parking/loading areas Other 	 Short-term Signal-timing and traffic operations Way-finding and signage Pavement marking Demand management (time of day) Medium-term Turn lanes Intersection improvements Curb radius / road geometry Long-term New connections New roads or bridges Major interchange improvements Road widenings, truck lanes

Workshop Structure

Schedule	
9:45 - 10:05	1 st Round Discussion – Trends and Needs
10:05 - 10:25	1st Round Summary
10:30 - 10:50	2 nd Round Discussion – Issues and Solutions
10:50 - 11:10	2 nd Round Summary
11:05 – 11:20	Closing Remarks
11:30 - 12:00	Study team will be available for follow-up discussions

Table Facilitation

- Break out into small groups
- Facilitator: keep discussion focused on key questions
- Scribe: take summary notes for your table (volunteers to present)
- Each person can also take individual notes. Second round will include maps for any site-specific notes.



Workshop Discussions

- Please take a spot at one of the tables for the next part of the workshop
- City staff will scribe for the table



