

# BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ITEM NO. D(3)

## AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

MEETING DATE: April 5, 2011

**TITLE: Report on the 2014-2020 Transportation Improvement Program Priority List**

<b>DEPARTMENT: Planning</b>	<b>PUBLIC HEARING: YES ___ NO ___ X ___</b>
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Resolution</li><li>B. Memo</li><li>C. NCDOT presentation on SPOT Prioritization 2.0</li><li>D. MPO 2012-2018 Regional Priority List</li><li>E. Email from MPO staff on project submittal process</li><li>F. Town of Carrboro 2011-2017 (2012-2018) Local Priority List</li></ul>	<b>FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:</b> Jeff Brubaker – 918-7329

### PURPOSE

The North Carolina Department of Transportation is developing a prioritization process for statewide transportation investments from 2014-2020. NCDOT is requesting that metropolitan areas submit transportation projects for prioritization by July 2011. The Board is asked to receive a report on the process, offer comments to staff on local project priorities, and authorize the TAB to hold a public forum and develop a recommended priority list for Board consideration.

### INFORMATION

The outcome of this process will be a Local Priority List approved by the Board of Aldermen that contains highway, bicycle, and pedestrian projects of importance to the community. These projects will be evaluated by both NCDOT and the MPO for consideration in the 2014-2020 STIP.

The following table is a guide for what the Town should submit to the MPO, according to MPO staff instructions.

Category	Classification	What can be submitted
Highway	Mobility	* Up to 3 <i>new</i> projects (i.e. not already on the 2009-2015 STIP or 2012-2018 MPO Regional Priority List)
	Modernization (*includes on-road bicycle improvements > \$1 million)	* Projects already on the 2009-2015 STIP or 2012-2018 MPO Regional Priority List can be submitted for informational purposes.

Bicycle	On-road improvements < \$1 million; all greenway projects	* Up to 6 new or existing projects
Pedestrian	--	* Up to 6 new or existing projects

More information is provided in the attached memo (*Attachment B*).

**FISCAL AND STAFF IMPACT**

Staff will spend approximately 15 hours in facilitating the tasks included in the resolution in *Attachment A*.

The fiscal impact is unknown at this time. Until the 2014-2020 STIP is approved, it is uncertain what local projects will be funded in the associated fiscal years. For projects that do receive funding, their costs will be borne in whole or in part by federal and-or state transportation funding sources, which offers the potential to offset local capital project funding needs. Funded projects are likely to be scheduled for fiscal years 2016-2020.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommend that the Board consider the resolution in *Attachment A*.