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### Objective:

**Provide the Mayor and City Council with policy choices, and the background information necessary to support informed policy decisions, related to transportation infrastructure:**

- Prioritize how available funding should be invested/allocated.**
- Determine whether/how to pursue new funding sources.**

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### Infrastructure Included in Analysis:

- Bridges
- Streets and Alleys
- Streetlights
- Traffic Signals

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### Background:

- Currently, funding availability drives infrastructure investment decisions
- Existing funding is inadequate
- City needs to plan its future
- Information will assist with tough decisions

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### The questions:

- 1. What condition is the infrastructure in?**
- 2. What is its future condition based on current funding levels? .....based on more funding? How do these conditions affect the quality of life?**
- 3. How does our funding and infrastructure condition compare to other comparable cities?**
- 4. How can we get more funding?**
- 5. What are some different methods of prioritizing spending? What are the pros and cons of these different methods? What are the projected infrastructure conditions that result from different priorities?**

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Types of policy questions that need to be considered:

- Should arterial streets be kept in better condition than residential streets?
- Is the city willing to invest more to improve the condition of the infrastructure? If so, what funding mechanisms are supported?

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Types of policy questions that need to be considered:

- Which elements of the infrastructure is it most important to maintain?
- Should there be a minimum street condition?

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Types of policy questions that need to be considered:

- Is it more important to do preventive maintenance to preserve what we have in the most cost-effective manner over the life of the asset, or to repair the infrastructure in the worst condition first?
- Are we willing to consider closure and removal of bridges?

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### Status:

- Analysis is being completed now
- Presentation of report this summer