City of Norwalk, CT

Six Aspirational Goals of the Transportation Master Plan

The City of Norwalk, CT has developed a TMP to improve transportation and guide investment for the next 10-20 years. To address these goals, the Transportation Master Plan looks at how we travel today, considers the opportunities and challenges associated with travel in Norwalk, and provides strategies and an action plan to enact positive change. A holistic, long-term improvement plan will position Norwalk for innovative transportation solutions that are safe, economical, accessible, sustainable, livable, and suitable for the city’s diverse communities.

How This Plan is Organized

Norwalk is a rapidly growing and working city.

Norwalk objectives with transportation linkages:
- Support future population growth and density
- Support commercial growth and activity centers
- Accommodate important growth in expanding non-auto modes
- Mitigate climate change-related impacts
- Reduce noise and air pollution

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The Transportation Master Plan relied upon ongoing engagement with the many communities that make up Norwalk, input from residents, community organizations, and businesses will ensure a forward-facing plan reflective of the city’s needs.

Identifies Needs Based on Community Feedback

Walking and Bicycling
- Lack of dedicated bicycle facilities on roads
- Fear of speeding car drivers
- Difficult connections to and between commercial centers
- Sidewalks missing in low-income areas

Transit
- Desire for more direct bus options to activity centers
- Need for longer service hours
- Difficulty maintaining bus stops due to crossing sidewalks, busy streets
- Premium transit options for downtown attractions

Freight
- Development adding truck traffic to network
- Truck traffic on residential streets
- Height restrictions on overpasses
- Noise

Traffic & Safety
- Speeding, aggressive drivers
- Congestion conditions at school drop-offs
- Poor visibility at intersections
- Design associated with I-95- Merritt Parkway congestion

Parking/Place-making
- Overflow parking on residential streets
- Beach, other attractions
- Parking challenges affecting retail businesses
- Pricing and policies are not in tune with demand
- Wayfinding and Village District designations

Early Actions and Concept Plans

This Transportation Master Plan effort examined corridors throughout the city to advance conceptual design work representative of the strategies and actions outlined in the plan. The TMP performed assessments of three potential roadway design concepts in order demonstrate what is possible and work that can be advanced relatively quickly. As each of these locations moves forward, further engagement is warranted.

- Encourage and facilitate active transportation options
- Manage seasonal traffic demands
- Mitigate overflow beach parking in neighborhoods
- Integrate street trees and green stormwater collection system

Calf Pasture Beach Road Concept

Scan the QR Code to read the City of Norwalk’s draft of the Transportation Master Plan.