



# CIRCULATION ELEMENT

E L C E N T R O G E N E R A L P L A N

This Implementation Program provides actions to implement the adopted policies and plans identified in the Circulation Element. The Circulation Element Implementation Program is a series of actions, procedures and techniques which includes a description of the responsible agency/department, funding source, time frame and related policies in the Circulation Element.

## Primary Circulation System

**C-1: Capital Improvement Program:** Adopt and implement a capital improvement program including the phasing and construction of needed traffic improvements identified in the City's Circulation Master Plan. Update the Circulation Master Plan to include the needed traffic improvements identified in the Circulation Element of the General Plan Draft Final Report prepared by VRPA Technologies (April 2003).

*Responsible Agency/Department:* Public Works, Development Services

*Funding Source:* General Fund

*Time Frame:* Update on an annual basis

*Related Policies:* 1.1, 1.2, 1.6

**C-2: Proposed Development:** Review development proposals for potential impacts to the transportation system. The Level of Service Standards established in the Circulation Element will be used to determine the significance of impacts. Mitigation in the form of physical improvements and/or impact fees will be required for significant impacts.

*Responsible Agency/Department:* Development Services, Public Works

*Funding Source:* Development fees, General Fund, project proponent

*Time Frame:* Ongoing in response to development proposals

*Related Policies:* 1.2, 1.3, 1.8

**C-3: Coordinate Local and Major Transportation Improvements:** To reduce expenditures, improve design and minimize traffic disruption, work with Imperial County, Caltrans, and other local and regional agencies to coordinate local

street improvements with major transportation system and infrastructure improvement projects such as an Imperial Avenue/Interstate 8 interchange. In addition, the impacts of both development projects and major transportation projects will be monitored and mitigation may be required.

*Responsible Agency/Department:* Public Works, Development Services, Caltrans, County of Imperial

*Funding Source:* General Fund, development fees, project proponent, gas tax, state and federal funds

*Time Frame:* Ongoing

*Related Policies:* 1.5, 1.6, 2.1

**C-4: Transportation Financing:** Identify available funding sources and establish a financing plan to guide construction and funding of transportation system improvements. Require new development projects to construct and/or fund in whole or in part necessary traffic improvements associated with the proposed project. Transportation improvements should include both automobile, as well as alternative means of transportation.

*Responsible Agency/Department:* Development Services, Public Works, County of Imperial, Caltrans

*Funding Source:* General Fund, state and federal funds, development fees

*Time Frame:* Ongoing

*Related Policies:* 1.3, 1.7, 1.9

**C-5 Ross Avenue Traffic Calming:** Undertake a detailed study analyzing various traffic calming techniques, their impact on through traffic, and the potential for adverse traffic impacts along parallel streets should be performed prior to implementing any traffic calming measures on Ross Avenue.

*Responsible Agency/Department:* Development Services, Public Works

*Funding Source:* General Fund, state and federal funds

*Time Frame:* Undertake study by the end of 2005

*Related Policies:* 1.1, 1.3

## Public Transportation

**C-6: Improved Transit Service:** Work with Imperial County Transit to improve transit service and encourage ridership through the following actions:

- Require transit facilities in major new development and rehabilitation projects;
- Coordinate with Imperial County Transit to expand transit routes to new areas of development and the Sphere of Influence.
- Work with Imperial County Transit to provide special transit services (such as direct service shuttles) to meet community needs.

*Responsible Agency/Department:* Development Services, Imperial County Transit

*Funding Source:* Project proponent, development fees, state and federal funds

*Time Frame:* Ongoing  
*Related Policies:* 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4

## **Pedestrian and Bicycle Network**

**C-7: Pedestrian Facilities:** Require new development and redevelopment to provide pedestrian connections with major destinations. Identify areas within the existing community that would benefit from improved pedestrian facilities. Explore additional funding sources to provide additional pedestrian facilities.

*Responsible Agency/Department:* Development Services, Community Services  
*Funding Source:* General Fund, state and federal funds, project proponent  
*Time Frame:* Ongoing  
*Related Policies:* 3.1, 3.2, 3.4

**C-8: Bike Master Plan and Design Report:** Continue to implement, and update as necessary, the City of El Centro Bicycle Master Plan and associated Citywide Bikeway System Design Report.

*Responsible Agency/Department:* Community Services, Public Works  
*Funding Source:* General Fund, state and federal funds  
*Time Frame:* Ongoing  
*Related Policies:* 3.1, 3.3, 3.4

## **Airports and Railways**

**C-9: Compatible Land Use:** Continue to coordinate with the County of Imperial Airport Land Use Commission to review development proposals for area impacted by airport operations to ensure the continued operation of local airports and protect the public safety.

*Responsible Agency/Department:* Development Services, County of Imperial  
*Funding Source:* General Fund, development fees  
*Time Frame:* Ongoing  
*Related Policies:* 4.2

**C-10: Railroad Design:** Continue to coordinate with rail service providers on development projects near railways to mitigate potential circulatory and safety concerns through the introduction of appropriate crossing design and safety features, such as fencing along the rail corridor. In addition, ensure new development that is impacted by railroad noise includes appropriate noise reduction design features to allow for the continued operation of the railroad without negative impacts to development.

*Responsible Agency/Department:* Development Services, Public Works, rail service providers  
*Funding Source:* General Fund, development fees  
*Time Frame:* Ongoing  
*Related Policies:* 4.2

