

BERKELEY'S AGING INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS IMPROVEMENTS

Most of Berkeley's streets, sidewalks, sewers, parks, playgrounds and public buildings were built over 75 years ago and are in need of repair. However, local revenues have not kept pace with the need for investments to update aging infrastructure or promote sustainability and housing affordability.

While recent investments, including Measures M in 2012 and Measure T1 in 2016 began the first phase of improvements, the City still faces over \$1 billion in unfunded infrastructure needs. The size and scale of local infrastructure needs shows the challenge ahead despite the proactive steps taken to address these issues over the last decade. For more information on completed projects and Berkeley's ongoing needs, please visit www.cityofberkeley.info/MeasureT1.

VISION 2050

Vision 2050 is a long-term plan to build, upgrade and repair Berkeley's aging infrastructure to be more sustainable and resilient in order to meet the serious challenges of the future, including climate change. Driven by a set of core values: equity, public health and safety, a strong local economy, resiliency and sustainability, the City intends to transition the Vision 2050 framework into reality.

LOCAL FUNDING TO SUPPORT VISION 2050

To address the next phase of local infrastructure, housing and sustainability needs, the City of Berkeley is considering placing a local funding measure, or multiple measures, on the November 2022 ballot for local voters to consider. While more decisions will be made in the coming months, funding from a voter-approved revenue measure(s) could be used to:

- Increasing affordable housing for low-income and homeless residents
- Improving climate change resiliency, including protecting against sea level rise, wildfires and drought
- Repairing deteriorating streets
- Improving traffic safety, including for bikes and pedestrians
- Repairing sidewalks to improve pedestrian safety and access for those with disabilities
- Upgrading storm drains, green infrastructure and watersheds to keep pollution from the Bay

FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AND LOCAL CONTROL

- All money raised by a measure(s) would be controlled locally and spent only on local needs in Berkeley
- By law, no funds could be taken away by the State
- Independent citizens' oversight and annual audits would ensure the money is spent as promised

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

Over the past few months, City staff has been gathering community input on Berkeley's most pressing needs. Add your voice to the conversation by attending an upcoming virtual community meeting or take our online survey on local infrastructure priorities by visiting BerkeleyVision2050.org.

