

## **PAYSON CITY PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA REQUEST FORM**

DATE OF MEETING: July 9, 2025  
TITLE OF ITEM FOR AGENDA: Review and Recommendation of the Payson City  
Active Transportation Plan  
WHO IS REQUESTING: Jill Spencer, Development Services Director  
WHO IS PRESENTING: Jill Spencer  
LENGTH OF TIME: 20 MINUTES

ADDITIONAL PRESENTER'S NAME/COMPANY:  
(developer, applicant, presenter, etc.)

**DESIRED ACTION BY COMMISSION:**  
(Check relevant items)

☐ CONSENT AGENDA

☐ PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION: (NO ACTION)

☒ PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION: (ACTION NEEDED)

☐ WORK SESSION: (NO ACTION)

DETAILED REASON AND EXPLANATION FOR REQUEST:

With the support of the Technical Assistance for Governments (TAG) grant administered by Mountainland Association of Governments (MAG), Payson City worked with a team of consultants to develop the City's first city-wide Active Transportation (AT) Plan. The creation of this plan reflects Payson City's ongoing commitment to improve mobility, promote public health, and provide transportation choices for all residents, regardless of age or ability.

An Active Transportation Plan is a guiding policy and implementation document that helps a community create a safe, comfortable, and connected transportation network for non-motorized users. This includes people walking, bicycling, using wheelchairs, or other mobility devices. The plan identifies infrastructure needs, prioritizes improvements, and outlines strategies to enhance access to key destinations such as schools, parks, neighborhoods, commercial centers, and transit stops.

The development of the AT Plan was a comprehensive and collaborative process involving:

- Review of existing conditions and plans
- Field assessments and data collection
- Public outreach and engagement with stakeholders
- Coordination with City staff, regional partners, and consultants
- Identification of network gaps, barriers, and opportunities

This process led to the creation of a community-based plan that provides clear recommendations for new sidewalks, bike lanes, multi-use trails, and intersection improvements.

The AT Plan is intended to be a strategic guide for decision-making and prioritization of active transportation investments in the years to come.

This plan is designed to be fully integrated into the City’s Transportation Master Plan and works in tandem with other planning documents. It emphasizes the use of all transportation corridors—existing and future—to support mobility for pedestrians, bicyclists, and other non-motorized users. It also aligns with regional goals for air quality, reduced traffic congestion, and increased physical activity.

Planning staff recommends the Planning Commission forward a recommendation of approval of the City-Wide Active Transportation Plan to the City Council.

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