Bundle 1 – Roadway System
Context, Policies, and Actions

The Built Environment - Roadway System

**WEBSITE CONTEXT** - Plano’s street system is determined by the Thoroughfare Plan, a component of the Plano Tomorrow Plan. There are many users of the city’s roadway system, including vehicles, public transit, bicycles, and pedestrians, all competing for the same space. Vehicles will likely remain the primary means of transportation; however, additional opportunities should be provided for other modes of transportation to create a safe and efficient system for all users.

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**POLICY** - Plano will develop a safe and efficient roadway system.

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**RS2)** Continue to improve upon Plano’s Intelligent Transportation System for the roadway network, through efforts such as smart traffic signals and data collection systems.

**RS3)** Improve intersections of bicycle trails, pedestrian pathways, and streets where necessary for increased visibility, safety, and comfort.

**RS4)** Review and update roadway standards to efficiently and safely accommodate all modes of transportation.
RS5) Develop criteria to assess the costs and effectiveness of pilot transportation projects.

RS6) Identify and improve locations within the city’s transportation infrastructure to meet or exceed Americans with Disability Act (ADA) standards.

RS7) Coordinate with neighboring communities to explore mutually beneficial regional transportation approaches that improve traffic flow within and between jurisdictions.

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