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The following matrix provides an overview of local and regional plans reviewed to inform the development of Transit Plan 2035.

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AUS Master Plan	2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Includes plans to study airport connections and alignments through Project Connect, reflecting future transit investments.
Austin Core Transportation Plan - CoA	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Study to create a list of projects and a vision for how downtown Austin streets should operate, which will impact future transit service considerations. Previous engagement with stakeholders and community surveys revealed strong preferences for sidewalks, protected bike lanes, and dedicated transit lanes in downtown Austin. The plan originally began in 2019, paused in 2020, and restarted in early 2022.
Austin Long-Range Capital Improvement Program Strategic Plan - CoA	2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A complementary planning effort to the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan. Outlines prior transit improvement projects like Project Connect, Mopac Corridor Improvements, and the Regional Park & Ride Initiative.
Austin Strategic Mobility Plan - CoA	2019/2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aims to increase non-single occupancy vehicle trips to 50% by 2039 through transit improvements and high-capacity transit investments. Focuses on enhancing transit rider experience and last-mile connections with key actions like updating the land development code. The plan was amended in 2022.
Buda Transit Development Plan (TDP) – City of Buda	2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides recommendations based on varying levels of investment, including Pickup service, coordination with Capital Area Rural Transportation System (CARTS), and express service connecting Buda to key points of interest in Austin.
Buda Transportation Mobility Master Plan (TMMP) – City of Buda	2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highlights the city's commitment to coordinate with CapMetro and update the city's TDP, placing emphasis on the need for regional transit considerations.

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Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) 2045 Plan	2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides detail on CAMPO’s alignment with Project Connect and need for continued coordination. Developed plans for commuter rail extensions and park-and-ride facilities to improve connectivity between suburban areas and downtown Austin.
Capital Budget / Plan - City of Austin (CoA)	2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides an understanding of the City of Austin Transportation and Public Works Department’s revenue forecast, 5-year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Spend Plan, and potential transit investment opportunities.
Cap Remap - CapMetro	2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides insight into CapMetro’s previous major transit planning effort.
CARTS TDP	2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommends adapting services for post-pandemic riders, expanding the successful CARTS NOW on-demand service, and improving connectivity in rural areas. Highlights future CARTS investments that will be critical to consider when developing transit service recommendations.
Climate Equity Action Plan - CoA	2020/2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highlights the need for coordinated transportation and land use changes through transit planning efforts. Emphasizes importance of building dense, affordable housing near activity centers and expanding public transit, aligning with ongoing Equitable Transit-Oriented Development (ETOD) efforts. Revised in 2021.
Congress Avenue Urban Design Initiative - CoA	2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Envisions Congress Avenue as a human-centric, multi-functional street prioritizing non-vehicular travel. Recommends multimodal roadway treatments and transit enhancements that can inform future decisions related to the corridor.
Downtown Austin Parking Strategy - Downtown Austin Alliance	2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommends the evaluation of park-and-ride or shuttle services to enhance transit connections to remote parking. Supports employee mobility programs and require Transportation Demand Management for large downtown developments.

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Downtown Circulator Study - Downtown Austin Alliance	2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explores the feasibility and benefits of a downtown circulator system. Evaluates two transit alternatives: a circulator covering popular destinations and a transit gap route to east Austin.
ETOD Study - ATP / CapMetro / CoA	2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shapes mobility, housing, and small business policies. Created an ETOD Policy Plan, Toolkit, station analysis, Priority Tool, and conducted case studies which should be used to inform transit planning decisions. Emphasized flexibility and understanding tradeoffs in ETOD implementation.
EV Fleet Transition Plan - CapMetro	2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guides CapMetro's transition to a 100% zero-emission fleet by 2035 and plans for future zero-emission vehicle facilities. Provides insight into zero-emission vehicle's effect on transit service based on various scenarios, which may be considered when developing transit service recommendations.
Georgetown TDP - City of Georgetown	2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommends enhancing the city's existing GoGeo Limited Paratransit and Senior Service and provides options for Pickup service.
Hays County Transportation Plan	2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emphasizes the importance of coordinating with local municipalities, CapMetro, and CARTS, and supports transit design and planning with county resources.
Hutto 2040 Comprehensive Plan - City of Hutto	2015/2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes a Park-n-Ride location with CARTS service and plans to promote increased coordination with Lone Star Rail, CAMPO, and CapMetro to support transit. Updated in 2021.
Imagine Austin Plan - CoA	2012/2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Austin's previous comprehensive plan was completed in 2012, with a new 30-year plan initiated in June 2024, highlighting the city's commitment to future growth. The plan addresses sustainable growth in response to a 20% population increase from 2000 to 2010, ensuring that the city can accommodate future demands. Key recommendations include coordinating land use with transportation planning, promoting mixed-use development, and increasing public transit ridership to create a more efficient and connected city. Amended in 2018.

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Leander Comprehensive Plan Update - City of Leander	2020/2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Designates Leander Central as a TOD development district, promoting dense, mixed-use development around the Leander Red Line Station, including the Northline TOD and relocating City Hall adjacent to the station. Provides insight into the member city's future transit needs that can be addressed by Transit Plan 2035. Updated in 2024.
Metrobike Strategic Expansion - CapMetro	2023/2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conducted to expand and modernize Austin's bike-sharing program to address equity and climate needs, integrating it with CapMetro services for seamless transit solutions. Led to the completion of the MetroBike Strategic Expansion Plan II in June 2024, with MetroBike transitioning to CapMetro BikeShare in July 2024. Provides insight into first-mile last-mile connection opportunities.
Neighborhood Plans & Resources - CoA	Various	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides detailed insight into neighborhood planning goals and priorities across the study area related to land use, zoning, transportation, and urban design, all of which affect transit planning decisions.
Nothing About Us Without Us - CoA	2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides guidance investment, engagement, and transit planning decisions related to anti-displacement. Provides key findings on vulnerable populations, market appreciation, and demographic change to address displacement risks.
Pflugerville TDP - City of Pflugerville	2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommends expanded Pfetch-a-Ride, the design and construction of a Downtown Mobility Hub, and to reintroduce microtransit services to enhance local transit options.
Pickup Analysis - CapMetro	2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides detailed analysis related to CapMetro's Pickup service which is a critical component of CapMetro's overall transit network. Details proposed changes and provides Pickup zone improvement recommendations.

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Pickup Service Guidelines - CapMetro	2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides standards and guidelines for designing and implementing Pickup service.
Project Connect	2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Project Connect program of projects, ranging from rail, bus, facilities, and technology, will guide the development of Transit Plan 2035. Several projects included in the program have been implemented while others are still in planning, design, and construction phases; Transit Plan 2035 will gather the latest information available on each project to continue fulfilling the Project Connect vision. The program will serve as a baseline for scenario development.
Regional Urban Trails Plan - CoA	2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Documents expansion of urban trails, proposing 268 miles of new trails and 104 miles of side paths within the city. Recommends enhancements and amenities for existing trails. Emphasizes increased connectivity, linking trails with transit hubs and key destinations.
Round Rock Transit Development Plan - City of Round Rock	2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Led to the implementation of CapMetro Route 50, 152, and 980, and complimentary Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Paratransit service (i.e., CapMetro Access Paratransit).
Service Standards and Guidelines - CapMetro	2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Defines transit service types and design principles critical for transit scenario development. Outlines how CapMetro measures and ensures service performance which will inform the evaluation of existing transit operations. Explains the process for adjusting services that don't meet standards.
South Central Waterfront Plan - CoA	2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides an understanding of the future vision for the South Central Waterfront, placing emphasis on the creation of a key activity and mobility center.

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Strategic Housing Blueprint - CoA	2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sets targets of 20,000 housing units for 30% median family income (MFI) and below, 25,000 units for 31-60% MFI, and 15,000 units for 61-80% MFI by 2027. ▪ Focuses development on key transit corridors and implements zoning changes for higher density and mixed-use developments in TOD areas.
Strategic Plan 2024 - CoA	2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Serves as a complementary planning effort to the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan, adopted in 2012 and amended in 2018. ▪ Details transit improvement projects, which features Project Connect, Mopac Corridor Improvements, I-35 Corridor, and others like the Transit Enhancement Program and Guadalupe Street improvements.
Streets for Transit - CoA	2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Plan detailed targeted improvements to reduce bus delays, highlighting areas affecting transit service reliability. ▪ Enhanced transit lane visibility and increased safety at bus stops across 30 road improvements in Austin.
Sustainability Vision Plan - CapMetro	2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Outlines methods to integrate sustainability into operations and new transit projects, including Project Connect. ▪ Establishes a fund and tracking tool for sustainability goals. ▪ Communicates sustainability's value to CapMetro and the region.
Texas Statewide Active Transportation Plan - TxDOT	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Provides insight into TxDOT's unified vision for active transportation policies in Texas through 2050.
Texas Statewide Multimodal Transit Plan - TxDOT	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Focuses on transit with a Fall 2024 outreach campaign to identify needs and actions for increasing accessibility and connectivity through 2050.
Transit Enhancement Infrastructure Report - CoA	2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Transit Enhancement Program aims to improve mobility and access to opportunity for Austin residents and visitors through collaboration. ▪ The report recommends \$53 million in projects, shaped by community feedback

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Travis County TDP	2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Recommends consolidating existing CapMetro Bus Routes 233 and 237 to support a proposed Decker Pickup service. ▪ Identifies additional areas with high transit need across Travis County.
University of Texas at Austin (UT) Campus Master Plan	2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Details planned investments to enhance UT's shuttle, pedestrian, and bike infrastructure. ▪ UT is currently updating its Campus Master Plan. ▪ Highlights the need for integration with CapMetro transit services by developing transit hubs in coordination with the City of Austin.
Uprooted Project (UT)	2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Establishes a framework to identify and prioritize gentrifying neighborhoods where residents face the highest risk of displacement, and aligns strategies with the specific needs of vulnerable residents in these areas.
UT Sustainability Master Plan	2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The UT Austin Sustainability Master Plan guides long-term sustainability efforts, allowing flexibility in strategy implementation. ▪ Emphasizing collaboration and regular updates, the plan ensures sustainable progress through 2030.
Vision Zero Update - CoA	2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Details progress made in 2021-2022 and efforts moving forward. ▪ Report highlights safety metrics and BIPOC impacts for Austin's Vision Zero Goal. ▪ Informed need for countermeasures and street lighting projects with a \$22.9 million grant. ▪ High Injury Network data offers insights on safety improvements.