

### **PROJECT ACTION PLAN**

This Project Action Plan is intended as a tool for planning and monitoring how management staff will achieve the goals and objectives set by the City Council in the 2020-2022 Strategic Workplan. Management staff will complete this form for each Council project, it will be updated periodically and shared during scheduled Council department reports. This information is public, posted on the city's website and used to ensure accountability and share with our community.

<b>Lead Department:</b>	Police Department
<b>City Council Goal / Tactic:</b>	GOAL AREA THREE: Livable and Safe Community
<b>Project Summary:</b>	Increase Traffic Safety
<b>Estimated Completion:</b>	On-Going
<b>ACTION PLAN</b>	
<b>1. Background of Project:</b> St. Helens Police Department is committed to increasing our traffic safety for our community. Our goal is to message our residents that we are focused on sustaining a safe livable community in which our residents can feel safe.	
<b>2. Current Status of Project:</b> On-Going	
<b>3. Strategic Steps to Accomplish Project:</b>  <b>1. <u>Change of work schedules to better serve our community while ensuring we provide 24/7 police services.</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>In the Spring of 2020, the Patrol Division of the St. Helens Police Department changed staffing work schedules from a 12-hour shift to a 10-hour shift. By implementing this shift schedule change, it provides a 3 hour overlap of officers from the different shifts to be working at the same time. This change allows our officers to conduct more traffic safety patrols in our community.</li><li>As a result of this change, officers are more responsive to the request of our residents when they have a traffic complaint in their neighborhoods. Officers will contact the residents to determine the issues/challenges and work together on a solution. Prior to this schedule change, we often were not afforded the time for personal contact with our resident.</li><li>Officers are now afforded the time to conduct traffic enforcement in areas we have a high volume of vehicle traffic to prevent accidents. The goal of this enforcement is to reduce accidents while increasing driver safety. This enforcement is done through a variety of ways to include mere presence, verbal warnings our issuing citations. Our goal with traffic enforcement is to change driving behaviors.</li></ul>	
<b>4. Estimated Cost of Project:</b> 1. Zero	
<b>5. Barriers to Complete:</b> None	