



# SMART TRANSPORTATION

## WHY DO WE NEED IT?

- Traffic is a growing problem
- New types of vehicles are impacting public safety
- Access to mobility is an equity issue
- Physical infrastructure is expensive, and not always the best solution
- Transportation affects the environment

## SHARED, SAFE, SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS

**Electrification:** Communities can help drive electric vehicle adoption by purchasing EVs for government/public use; offering incentives to install charging infrastructure; marketing the benefits.

**AV governance:** Policy development starts with understanding the likely impact of autonomous vehicles on traffic, parking, and safety.

**Avoiding the infrastructure trap:** Which is cheaper? A new smart transportation project or a new parking garage? Consider.

**Data management:** Cities are beginning to examine new data sources and new smart city data management architectures. But these models are still under development.

## SMARTER TRANSPORTATION TECH

**Fiber connectivity:** Fiber is critical for complex connected transportation deployments. So is figuring out how best to pay for the investment.

**The DSRC debate:** Dedicated Short Range Communications (DSRC) technology is the standard in the connected vehicle space, but there are equipment interoperability challenges. Spectrum concerns may also impact DSRC's use in the future.

**Security:** Security in connected vehicle environments is paramount – worker background checks and training, hardware security modules for roadside and onboard vehicle devices, virtual private networks, firewalls, and database encryption.

**Autonomous vehicle sensors:** AVs use radar both radar and lidar. Radar depicts the shapes moving around a vehicle. Lidar offers more visual detail, but depending on angles, can create shadows that distort imagery. Cameras help (literally) fill in the picture.

**The role of 5G:** If an AV is making realtime driving decisions based on communications from the surrounding environment, a 5G network is probably required. But today, AVs contain all data processing within the vehicles themselves. In the future? 