

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA TOPIC

Resolution authorizing the execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Fehr & Peers in the amount of \$999,856.11, plus all applicable taxes, to complete the engineering design and prepare the construction contract documents for the Urban Core Bike Network Connections project (CIP Plan No. PW-WB-85 and D-94).

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

ACTION	This resolution authorizes the execution of a professional services agreement with Fehr & Peers to develop PS&E for the design of the Urban Core Bike Network Connections project.
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RECOMMENDATION

Move to adopt Resolution 10509

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

In March 2023, the Council approved eight Bike Bellevue project principles and directed staff to work with the Transportation Commission to prepare and submit an implementation recommendation to the Transportation Director. The Bike Bellevue initiative envisioned the implementation of low-cost, rapid build bicycle facilities on existing streets in the Downtown, Wilburton and BelRed neighborhoods. In most cases, a “low-cost, rapid-build” implementation of Bike Bellevue would require the repurposing of vehicle travel lanes to provide the space for protected bicycle lanes. The community response to Bike Bellevue was mixed, with support for improved bicycle facilities for access and safety and concerns about converting vehicle travel lanes to protected bicycle facilities.

On March 25, 2024, Council directed the Transportation Commission to provide a recommendation to the Director for each of the eleven proposed Bike Bellevue corridors.

The Transportation Commission voted to recommend to the Transportation Director at their meetings on April 11, May 23, and July 11, 2024. The Transportation Commission recommended to proceed with final design and implementation of Bike Bellevue corridors that would not involve the repurposing of a vehicle travel lane. The following corridors are included in the Urban Core Bike Network Connections project:

1. 100th Ave NE – Main St to NE 1st St
2. 116th Ave NE – Main St to NE 4th St
3. 120th Ave NE – NE 4th St to NE Spring Blvd
4. Lake Washington Blvd – 99th Ave NE to 100th Ave NE
5. NE 1st St / NE 2nd St – 100th Ave NE to 108th Ave NE
6. NE 4th St – 116th Ave NE to 120th Ave NE
7. Northup Way – 120th Ave NE to 124th Ave NE

Consultant Selection:

After evaluating three consultant firms that responded to the City's Request for Qualifications (RFQ) No. 25011, Fehr & Peers. was selected to be the City's engineering consultant for this project. An RFQ notice was published in *The Seattle Times* and *The Seattle Daily Journal of Commerce* on February 13, 2025 and February 20, 2025.

The following firms submitted proposals in response to RFQ No. 25011:

- Alta Planning + Design, Inc.
- Fehr & Peers
- Toole Design Group, LLC

An interdepartmental City staff selection committee reviewed and ranked all proposals based on the evaluation criteria listed in the RFQ. Upon reviewing the submittals, the committee decided to select Fehr & Peers. Fehr & Peers was selected due to the team's experience in working on this project previously, experience and knowledge of the engineering and technical issues of the project and their experience working on similar projects, and their ability to deliver the project efficiently and effectively.

POLICY & FISCAL IMPACTS

Policy Impact

Comprehensive Plan, Transportation Section:

- TR-17: Scope, plan, design, implement, operate and maintain a complete and multimodal transportation network in accordance with the Performance Metrics, Performance Targets and Performance Management Areas as established in the Mobility Implementation Plan.
- Design, implement and maintain transportation system improvements and deliver transportation services and programs in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
- TR-94: Promote and facilitate active transportation.
- TR-96: Implement the Pedestrian and Bicycle Transportation Plan and evaluate, describe, and prioritize projects that address Performance Target gaps through the Mobility Implementation Plan.

Fiscal Impact

This action obligates the City to \$999,856.11, plus all applicable taxes, to complete the engineering design and prepare the construction contract documents for the Urban Core Bike Network Connections project. The Utilities Department has included the design of storm drainage improvements at Lake

Washington Blvd to this contract. Sufficient funding exists in the 2025-2030 General and Utilities Capital Improvement Programs (CIP Plan Nos. PW-WB-85 and D-94) to fully fund this contract as follows:

Funding Source	Description	Amount
PW-WB-85	Bicycle Network Facilities Implementation	\$971,230.11
D-94	Flood Control Program	28,626.00
Total Funding		<u>\$999,856.11</u>

OPTIONS

1. Adopt the Resolution authorizing the execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Fehr & Peers in the amount of \$999,856.11, plus all applicable taxes, to complete the engineering design and prepare the construction contract documents for the Urban Core Bike Network Connections project (CIP Plan No. PW-WB-85 and D-94).
2. Do not adopt the Resolution and provide alternative direction to staff.

ATTACHMENTS

- A. Vicinity Map
 - B. CIP Project Description (PW-WB-85)
 - C. CIP Project Description (D-94)
- Proposed Resolution No. 10509

AVAILABLE IN COUNCIL LIBRARY

Professional Engineering Services Agreement