

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

Resolution authorizing execution of a Joint Utility Trench and Relocation Agreement with Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC to pay for the relocation of Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC facilities located in a private easement that are in conflict with the 124th Avenue NE – Ichigo Way to Northup Way (CIP Plan No. PW-R-191) project.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This Resolution authorizes the Joint Utility Trench and Relocation Agreement with Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC for the 124th Avenue NE – Ichigo Way to Northup Way (CIP Plan No. PW-R-191) project.

RECOMMENDATION

Move to adopt Resolution No. 10128

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

The 124th Avenue NE- Ichigo Way to Northup Way (CIP Plan No. PW-R-191) Project will reprofile and widen the roadway from two lanes to five lanes, improving traffic flow and adding sidewalks on both sides. It will also replace culvert with fish passable culvert and other improvements. This project is part of the broad BelRed Plan and Transportation vision of supporting planned growth and economic vitality, improving access and circulation, and capturing synergistic opportunities with Sound Transit's East Link Project.

The Ichigo Way to Northup Way project has completed the design phase and right of way acquisitions. Construction is anticipated to begin in spring of 2023 with the advertisement in fall of 2022. Design and construction of this project have been fully supported by Federal Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) loan funds as approved by Council on July 17, 2017 (Ordinance No. 6362).

Construction of 124th Ave NE between Ichigo Way and Northup Way requires the relocation of an existing vault that are owned and operated by Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC (LUMEN). The vault is in conflict with future roadway improvements along 124th Avenue NE. The vault is currently located on three private easements and therefore not subject to any franchise agreements with the City or State. Since the City is causing the relocation of the vault, the City is responsible to reimburse LUMEN for the relocation costs. The private easement will be amended and will not interfere with the City project. Staff has reviewed the relocation cost and has been working with LUMEN to coordinate the vault relocation as a part of City's 124th Ave NE – Ichigo Way to Northup Way project.

This project also includes the installation of a Joint Utility Trench (JUT) within City's Right of Way for the

franchise utilities. The JUT for franchise utilities includes reimbursement agreement with LUMEN since it falls under the franchise agreements with the City.

POLICY & FISCAL IMPACTS

Policy Impact

Bellevue City Code

BCC 4.28 provides for the fair and equitable treatment of all persons involved in the purchasing process. Council approval is required to award the bid where the cost exceeds \$90,000.

BCC 4.32.060, the disposition of any City-owned real property interest must be approved by City Council.

Except as provided under Bellevue City Code 4.30.010 and 4.30.020, any encumbrance of City-owned real property is submitted to City Council for approval.

Fiscal Impact

This action obligates the City to pay an estimated \$111,606, plus all applicable taxes, to LUMEN for the costs incurred by LUMEN for the relocation of the vault that is necessary to construct the 124th Avenue NE – Ichigo Way to Northup Way project (CIP Plan No. PW-R-191). The actual cost will be determined after final installation. Sufficient funding exists in the 2021-2027 General Capital Investment Program (CIP) through PW-R-191 to fund this agreement.

OPTIONS

- Adopt the Resolution authorizing execution of a Joint Utility Trench and Relocation Agreement with Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC to pay for the relocation of Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC facilities located in a private easement that are in conflict with the 124th Avenue NE – Ichigo Way to Northup Way (CIP Plan No. PW-R-191) project.
- 2. Do not adopt the Resolution and provide alternative direction to staff.

ATTACHMENTS

A. Vicinity Map

B. CIP Project Description

Proposed Resolution No. 10128

AVAILABLE IN COUNCIL LIBRARY

Joint Utility Trench and Relocation Agreement with attachments