

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

Resolution authorizing execution of a grant agreement (and supplements if necessary) with the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) to accept \$1,400,000 in federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) funding to support construction of a pavement preservation (overlay) project on 148th Avenue SE between SE 8th Street and SE 37th Street (CIP Plan No. PW-M-1).

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Acceptance of this federally funded grant from WSDOT would provide sufficient monetary resources to construct roadway repairs and resurfacing of 148th Avenue SE between SE 8th Street and SE 37th Street. The project will include resurfacing with asphalt, ADA and sidewalk repairs, and signal loop replacement at all signalized intersections along the corridor.

RECOMMENDATION

Move to adopt Resolution No. 9710.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

The City places a high priority on adequately funding the annual Overlay Program (CIP Plan No. PW-M-1) to maximize the benefits of investments previously made in the transportation system. Expenditures on maintenance and preservation defray and can prevent costly roadway reconstruction projects in addition to contributing to the overall safety and efficiency of the system.

In developing the regional long-range plan for Transportation, known as Transportation 2040, the Boards of the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) placed preservation and maintenance of existing transportation infrastructure and services as a top priority for funding. To advance this priority, beginning in 2012 as a “pilot” program, PSRC restricted a 25 percent portion of the federal STP funding available to the region as a program for preservation and maintenance activities. This “set-aside” has been continued in the funding cycles since, though the amount set-aside was reduced to 20 percent of the available STP in 2016. The estimated amount of Preservation Program funds is allocated among the four counties in the region by population, and each countywide forum conducts a competitive process for the distribution of these funds.

Under the Preservation Program criteria, agencies that have programs and revenues in place to regularly maintain their systems received “extra credit”. In large part due to Bellevue’s longstanding annual Overlay Program, the City has been well positioned to receive funding through this program over the years. In November 2018, the 148th Avenue SE Preservation Project was formally awarded \$1,400,000 for the project’s construction phase. The grant-funded overlay of 148th Avenue SE is

programmed to occur during the 2022 construction season. The design phase will be locally funded beginning in late 2020/early 2021.

On December 2, 2019, Council adopted Ordinance No. 6493 modifying the 2019-2025 Capital Investment Program (CIP) Plan to amend the budget for the Overlay Program (CIP Plan No. PW-M-1) to increase by \$1,400,000 for pavement preservation work on 148th Avenue SE from SE 37th Street to SE 8th Street. This project is funded by the federal STP grant, which is the subject of tonight's action to authorize execution of the grant agreement.

POLICY & FISCAL IMPACTS

Policy Impact

The acceptance of this grant and authorization of the funding agreement with WSDOT is consistent with the following policies in the Transportation Element of the Comprehensive Plan:

- TR-27 directs that the City, "Design, implement, and maintain transportation system improvements and deliver transportation services and programs in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)."
- TR-40 directs that the City, "Develop and implement inter-local agreements for cooperative solutions for mutual land use and transportation concerns."
- TR-54 directs that the City, "Ensure that maintenance of the existing transportation system be given priority consideration."
- TR-131 directs that the City, "Seek state and federal funds for transportation capital, maintenance and operations."

Fiscal Impact

Executing the grant agreement will provide, on a reimbursable basis, up to \$1,400,000 in federal STP funding to support construction of a pavement overlay project on 148th Avenue SE between SE 8th Street and SE 37th Street (CIP Plan No. PW-M-1). This grant is included in the PW-M-1 program budget and sufficient local funding exists within the program to meet the required grant match and to complete the project.

OPTIONS

1. Adopt the Resolution authorizing execution of a grant agreement (and supplements if necessary) with the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) to accept \$1,400,000 in federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) funding to support construction of a pavement preservation (overlay) project on 148th Avenue SE between SE 8th Street and SE 37th Street (CIP Plan No. PW-M-1).
2. Do not adopt the Resolution and provide alternative direction to staff.

ATTACHMENTS & AVAILABLE DOCUMENTS

- A. Vicinity Map
 - B. CIP Project Description (PW-M-1)
- Proposed Resolution No. 9710

AVAILABLE IN COUNCIL LIBRARY

WSDOT Local Agency Agreement (draft)