

**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION**

Ordinance 1) authorizing execution of a grant agreement (and supplements if necessary) with the Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) to accept up to \$5,000,000 in state funding to support construction of roadway improvements on 124th Avenue NE/NE 12th Street to NE Spring Boulevard project; and 2) amending the 2019-2025 General Capital Investment Program (CIP) Plan to increase the project budget for the 124th Avenue NE/NE 12th Street to NE Spring Boulevard Project (CIP Plan No. PW-R-169) by \$5,000,000.

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Acceptance of this state funded grant from TIB would provide sufficient monetary resources to construct the 124<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE/NE 12<sup>th</sup> Street to NE Spring Boulevard project. The roadway cross-section of this segment will consist of five lanes, including two travel lanes in each direction with turn pockets or a center turn lane; curb, gutter, and separated multi-use paths on both sides.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Move to adopt Ordinance No. 6515.

**BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS**

The 124<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE/NE 12<sup>th</sup> Street to NE Spring Boulevard project will widen the roadway from two lanes to five lanes improving traffic flow and adding separate non-motorized facilities. A full CIP project description is included as Attachment A.

In mid-2019, the 124<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE/NE 12<sup>th</sup> Street to NE Spring Boulevard project was submitted to the 2019 State TIB grant competition requesting \$5,000,000 in construction funds. The project ranked highly and in late November 2019 was formally awarded the requested funding.

Design and construction of this project have been fully supported by Federal TIFIA loan funds as approved on July 17, 2017 (Ordinance No. 6362). The addition of the \$5,000,000 in grant funding will provide almost half of the funding for the estimated construction phase costs of the project that will not require repayment, as would be the case with funding provided by the TIFIA loan.

Currently, the project is completing the design phase and the City is coordinating the acquisition of right-of-way necessary for the project. Construction is anticipated to begin in late 2020.

## **POLICY & FISCAL IMPACTS**

### **Policy Impact**

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

- TR-131 directs that the City, “Seek state and federal funds for transportation capital, maintenance and operations.”

### **Fiscal Impact**

This is one of two items on Council’s consent calendar tonight for the 124<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE/NE 12<sup>th</sup> Street to NE Spring Boulevard project (CIP Plan No. PW-R-169). The other item is a Resolution authorizing the execution of a tariff Schedule 74 Underground Conversion Project Construction Agreement with Puget Sound Energy.

Executing the grant agreement will provide, on a reimbursable basis, up to \$5,000,000 in state funding to support construction of the 124<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE/NE 12<sup>th</sup> Street to NE Spring Boulevard project (CIP Plan No. PW-R-169) and increase the project budget by the same amount. There is sufficient funding in PW-R-169 to fulfill the matching fund requirement for the grant. Staff will return to Council later in the year as the project progresses to final design to update the project budget.

## **OPTIONS**

1. Adopt the Ordinance 1) authorizing execution of a grant agreement (and supplements if necessary) with the Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) to accept up to \$5,000,000 in state funding to support construction of roadway improvements on 124<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE/NE 12<sup>th</sup> Street to NE Spring Boulevard project; and 2) amending the 2019-2025 General Capital Investment Program (CIP) Plan to increase the project budget for the 124<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE/NE 12<sup>th</sup> Street to NE Spring Boulevard Project (CIP Plan No. PW-R-169) by \$5,000,000.
2. Do not adopt the Ordinance and provide alternative direction to staff.

## **ATTACHMENTS & AVAILABLE DOCUMENTS**

- A. Vicinity Map
  - B. CIP Project Description (PW-R-169)
- Proposed Ordinance No. 6515

## **AVAILABLE IN COUNCIL LIBRARY**

TIB Fuel Tax Grant Agreement (draft)