

**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION**

Ordinance 1) authorizing execution of an Amendment to an existing Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with Bellevue College and King County Metro to expand the existing 10 percent design plans to 30 percent design plans while retaining the current roles and responsibilities for pre-design work for the Bellevue College Connector Project (CIP Plan No. PW-R-201 and PW-R-198); 2) amending the 2021-2022 General Capital Investment Program (CIP) Fund to increase the appropriation by \$144,000; and, 3) amending the 2021-2027 CIP Plan to increase the budget for PW-R-201 by \$144,000. This project is partially funded by the Neighborhood Safety, Connectivity and Congestion Levy.

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This action amends the existing MOA agreement to expand the existing 10 percent design plans to 30 percent design plans while retaining the current roles and responsibilities for pre-design work for the Bellevue College Connector Project.

The current MOA clarifies roles and responsibilities between the City of Bellevue, Bellevue College, and King County Metro for performing pre-design activities including 10 percent design plans, a preferred alternative alignment report, cost estimates, and identification of project impacts.

The proposed Bellevue College Connector project was recommended in the 2012 Eastgate/I-90 Land Use and Transportation Plan and reaffirmed in the 2014 Bellevue Transit Master Plan. Funding for the projects is included in the City's 2019-2025 General Capital Investment Program (CIP) Plan.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Move to adopt Ordinance No. 6573.

**BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS**

Council approved Resolution No. 9724 on February 24, 2020, authorizing approval of a MOA with Bellevue College and King County Metro clarifying roles and responsibilities for pre-design work for the Bellevue College Connector Project (CIP Plan No. PW-R-201). The pre-design work will include the creation of 10 percent design plans and a preferred alignment report for future transit access through the Bellevue College campus (K-Line, RapidRide) along the Snoqualmie River Road between SE 24<sup>th</sup> Street and SE 32<sup>nd</sup> Street.

Council approved Resolution No. 8777 on July 7, 2014, authorizing adoption of the Bellevue Transit

Master Plan. The Bellevue Transit Master Plan offers transit capital investment recommendations that have the potential to enhance transit speed and reliability between the Eastgate Park-and-Ride and Bellevue College, each a major transit hub, and points beyond resulting in improved provision of cost-efficient and effective bus transit service and potential for increased ridership.

The King County Metro Transit Strategic Plan (Strategy 3.1.1) for Public Transportation 2011-2021 directs Metro to work on developing investments and partnerships with regional organizations, local jurisdictions and the private sector, to provide alternatives to driving alone that connect people to job centers, educational institutions and other destinations essential to King County's economic vitality.

Council approved Ordinance No. 6445 on December 3, 2018 adopting the City's 2019-2025 General Capital Investment Program Plan, which included the Bellevue College Connection Project (CIP Plan No. PW-R-201), with a total project budget of \$400,000, to partner with Metro Transit and Bellevue College to advance design and reconstruct the campus roadway to support frequent transit bus service, construct sidewalks and accessible bus stops and modify the 142nd Place SE/SE 32nd Street intersection.

Council approved Ordinance No. 6525 on September 8, 2020, to reduce the budget for PW-R-201 by \$93,000 (for an amended budget of \$307,000) to provide funding for the Mobility Implementation Plan Project (CIP Plan No. PW R-204). This action also recognized \$152,000 of funding from Bellevue College and King County Metro (\$76,000 each) for their share of costs for the MOA approved on February 24, 2020.

## **POLICY & FISCAL IMPACTS**

### **Policy Impact**

The City's Comprehensive Plan Transportation Policies provides for working in collaboration with regional and local agencies to address transportation system needs and concerns.

This action supports those efforts in creation of a preferred alternative analysis that aligns transit service objectives between the City of Bellevue, Bellevue College, and King County Metro.

### **Fiscal Impact**

Executing this amendment to the existing MOA will commit the City of Bellevue, King County Metro and Bellevue College to advance design from the current 10 percent plans to the development of 30 percent design plans for a preferred alternative alignment, cost estimates and potential project impacts. The total estimated costs to advance to 30 percent design is \$300,000 and the participating agencies will provide equal cost sharing of \$100,000 each to complete the scope of the proposed MOA amendment. The City's share of costs will be funded by the Bellevue College Connection Project (CIP Plan No. PW-R-201) and the Neighborhood Congestion Levy (CIP Plan No. PW-R-198). This action will also amend the 2021-2022 General CIP Fund appropriation and the PW-R-201 project budget by \$144,000.

Under the MOA each agency is responsible for their administrative costs. As is typical, Bellevue's project administration costs are included in the capital budget for the project.

The following table provides a summary of the budget and funding for this project:

		Funding Sources			
		PW-R-201			City of Bellevue (PW-R-198)
	Total	King County Metro	Bellevue College	City of Bellevue	
Adopted Budget	\$371,000	\$76,000	\$76,000	\$155,000	\$64,000
10% Design - Total Costs	215,000	48,000	48,000	119,000	-
Remaining Budget Available to advance to 30% Design	\$156,000	\$28,000	\$28,000	\$36,000	\$64,000
30% Design - Total Projected Costs	\$300,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$36,000	\$64,000
<b>Budget Amendment (Tonight's Action)</b>	<b>\$144,000</b>	<b>\$72,000</b>	<b>\$72,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

## OPTIONS

1. Adopt the Ordinance 1) authorizing execution of an Amendment to an existing Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with Bellevue College and King County Metro to expand the existing 10 percent design plans to 30 percent design plans while retaining the current roles and responsibilities for pre-design work for the Bellevue College Connector Project (CIP Plan No. PW-R-201); 2) amending the 2021-2022 General Capital Investment Program (CIP) Fund to increase the appropriation by \$144,000; and, 3) amending the 2021-2027 CIP Plan to increase the budget for PW-R-201 by \$144,000.
2. Do not adopt the Ordinance and provide alternative direction to staff.

## ATTACHMENTS & AVAILABLE DOCUMENTS

- A. CIP Project Description (PW-R-201)
- B. CIP Project Description (PW-R-198)
- C. Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between Bellevue College, King County and the City of Bellevue

Proposed Ordinance No. 6573

## AVAILABLE IN COUNCIL LIBRARY

N/A