



City of Tacoma

TO:

T.C. Broadnax, City Manager

FROM:

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City Council and City Clerk

SUBJECT:

Request for Resolution: Approval of Interagency Agreement with The University

of Washington Tacoma for Design and Construction Management of the South

17th Street re-alignment

DATE:

December 17, 2013

SUMMARY:

Authorizing an Interagency Agreement (IA) with the University of Washington Tacoma (UWT) for the design and construction management of the South 17th Street re-alignment between Jefferson Avenue, Broadway and Commerce Street. UWT will provide funding for all work as described in the IA. The City of Tacoma (City) will manage the design, right-of-way, public outreach, and construction management.

BACKGROUND:

Currently, South 17th Street between Pacific Avenue and Broadway is not a through street. The street jogs around a landscaped area. This creates additional vehicle movements impacting pedestrians within the UWT campus.

UWT has expressed a desire to re-align the two segments of South 17th Street into a continuous street and to reconfigure the intersections of South 17th/Broadway/Jefferson and South 17th/Commerce/Jefferson as part of this effort through a partnership with the City. The City and UWT have met various times to discuss different design options for the realignment of this road.

Under the IA the City will provide project management, project design, construction management and inspection, and public outreach services to support this effort. The City will advertise the project and contract directly with the contractors to complete construction improvements.

ISSUE:

The realignment of South 17th Street will help UWT reduce vehicular emphasis on Broadway and Jefferson between South 17th and 19th Streets, placing a heightened emphasis on pedestrian and bicycle traffic in this area.

ALTERNATIVES: If not implemented, UWT will pursue other means to design and manage this project.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Public Works Department recommends approving this IA with the UWT to improve South 17th Street. The Agreement will make the UWT solely responsible for funding this project.



FISCAL IMPACT:

EXPENDITURES:

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME *	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
1060-CAPTL Street Capital Projects	PWK-01000	5600000	\$1,250,000
TOTAL	2		\$1,250,000

^{*} General Fund: Include Department

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
University of Washington Tacoma	PWK-01000	4345200	\$1,250,000
TOTAL			\$1,250,000

POTENTIAL POSITION IMPACT: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: \$1,000,000

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes, pending approval of the 2013-2014 Mid Biennium Budget Amendment.

IF EXPENSE IS NOT BUDGETED, PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW THEY ARE TO BE COVERED. N/A