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COPY: City Council and City Clerk
SUBJECT: Request for Resolution: Approval of Interlocal Agreement with the City of University Place for Design of 56th Street/Cirque Drive Corridor Improvements
October 1, 2013
DATE: September 10, 2013

SUMMARY:

This memorandum provides information on an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) between the City of Tacoma and the City of University Place for Design of the South 56th Street/Cirque Drive Corridor Improvements. The Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) awarded the City of University Place funding for the design of improvements to South 56th Street from I-5 to Cirque Drive within Tacoma and University Place. University Place will be the lead agency and will conduct the design on Cirque Drive while Tacoma will perform the design for South 56th Street. The Public Works Department requests Council approve the ILA to help fund the design of improvements to the South 56th Street/Cirque Drive Corridor.

BACKGROUND:

The South 56th Street/Cirque Drive corridor is one of the major arterials in South Tacoma and University Place, and will be one of the primary entrances to the Chambers Bay Golf Course for the 2015 US Open. In 2012, Tacoma assisted University Place in applying for Surface Transportation Program (STP) grant funding for the design of the corridor improvements. The corridor improvements consist of center landscaped median with left turn lanes where needed, pavement overlay and striping, new streetlights, new landscaping in the planting strip, new or repaired sidewalks, and ADA improvements. The goal is to complete the project prior to the US Open in 2015, if construction funding can be obtained.

In December 2012 and February 2013, University Place was awarded STP funding totaling \$778,500 for the design portion of the project. The local agency match for this funding is \$121,500. University Place and Tacoma have agreed to split the grant funding and the local agency match 50/50, which equates to \$389,500 in grant funding for Tacoma with a required \$60,750 match, for total design funding of \$450,250. Tacoma's funding match comes from gas tax revenues. The match amount is budgeted and available.

ISSUE:

The South 56th Street/Cirque Drive Corridor Improvements project improves this major arterial not only for the US Open but for the future use of the corridor.

ALTERNATIVES:

University Place and Tacoma explored alternatives to funding the corridor improvements. This led to the decision to apply to PSRC. No other viable funding mechanism was available for the project within the time line that the grant was being pursued.



RECOMMENDATION:

The Public Works Department recommends approving the ILA with University Place for the South 56th Street/Cirque Drive Corridor Improvement project. The agreement with University Place leverages money from both agencies to meet the local agency match required by the grant funds.

FISCAL IMPACT:

EXPENDITURES:

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME *	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
1060 Street Fund	PWK-G0006	5600000	\$450,250
TOTAL			\$450,250

* General Fund: Include Department

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
WSDOT Grant	PWK-G0006	4333240	\$389,500
Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax	PWK-G0006	4335410	\$60,750
TOTAL			\$450,250

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: \$450,250

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes