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SUBJECT: Resolution – Amendment No. 1 to Interlocal Agreement – I-5 and South 56th Street
Interchange ADA Compliance – November 2, 2021
DATE: October 11, 2021

SUMMARY AND PURPOSE:

A resolution authorizing the execution of Amendment No. 1 to the Interlocal Agreement with the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), increasing the Agreement by \$638,413, for a total of \$1,269,735, and accepting and depositing said sum into the Transportation Capital Fund, for design changes to the roadway geometrics to reconfigure the directional pedestrian ramps, increase the pavement restoration area of the intersection, upgrade and add crossing signals, and replace damaged signal poles along South 56th Street and Tacoma Mall Boulevard at the I-5 Interchange ADA Compliance Project.

BACKGROUND:

This Department’s Recommendation is Based On: The City Council adopted Resolution No. 40538 on January 28, 2020, for an Interlocal Agreement with WSDOT, for an original total amount authorized of \$631,322. This established a partnership for the purposes of installing new and upgraded curb ramps where needed at South 56th Street and Tacoma Mall Boulevard at the I-5 Interchange. WSDOT is responsible for the total cost of the project. Both parties agreed that the City was in the best position to design and manage the construction of the ADA compliant curb ramp project.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT/ CUSTOMER RESEARCH:

WSDOT has identified the interchange as lacking in ADA compliant pedestrian crossing ramps and has included the project in the I2 Safety/Collision Prevention Program.

2025 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

Equity and Accessibility:

Public Works seeks City Council approval for Amendment No. 1 of this Agreement with WSDOT to accept the increase in funding to meet the ADA requirements and improve accessibility at the interchange. The City and WSDOT are also committed to building equity into the construction contract through meeting the requirements of the Equity in Contracting (EIC) Program.

Economy/Workforce: *Equity Index Score:* Moderate Opportunity

Increase the number of diverse livable wage jobs.

Increase the number of Tacoma households that have livable wage jobs within proximity to the city.

Livability: *Equity Index Score:* Very Low Opportunity

Improve access and proximity by residents to diverse income levels and race/ethnicity to community facilities, services, infrastructure, and employment.

Increase positive public perception of safety and overall quality of life.



Explain how your legislation will affect the selected indicator(s).

Amendment No. 1 increases the scope of work included in the project by adding features that were not in the original Agreement. The WSDOT assets needing upgrades and replacements were identified during the design process and constructability reviews between the two agencies. As a result, the Amendment adds additional work to the project, increasing the number of living wage job opportunities required to complete the work. Also, the upgrades increase the safety by meeting the City’s pavement restoration policy and ADA pedestrian crossing requirements, thus improving the public perception and level of service provided by the agencies.

ALTERNATIVES:

Alternative(s)	Positive Impact(s)	Negative Impact(s)
1. Do not approve the amendment.	None	The City and WSDOT will have to reduce scope of improvements.

EVALUATION AND FOLLOW UP:

Success of this proposed Amendment No. 1 to the Interlocal Agreement between the City and WSDOT will lead to construction of a new and upgraded ADA compliant crossings providing accessible sidewalks.

STAFF/SPONSOR RECOMMENDATION:

Public Works recommends City Council authorize the execution of Amendment No. 1 to the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Tacoma and the Washington State Department of Transportation, accepting the funding increase to a total of \$1,269,735 for the City to complete the project.



FISCAL IMPACT:

WSDOT is responsible for the total cost of the project, therefore, WSDOT will reimburse the City for the work it performed for this project. This CAM authorizes an increase of \$638,413 to the Interlocal Agreement with WSDOT, for a total of \$1,269,735.

Fund Number & Name	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	Cost Element	Total Amount
1060 Transportation Capital Fund	PWK-01018	5600000	\$638,413
TOTAL			\$638,413

What Funding is being used to support the expense?

WSDOT.

Are the expenditures and revenues planned and budgeted in this biennium’s current budget?

NO, PLEASE EXPLAIN BELOW

The additional revenue wasn’t planned/budgeted in this biennium’s current budget because additional scope items were identified during the design and review process after original agreement was approved.

Are there financial costs or other impacts of not implementing the legislation?

YES

Not accepting Amendment No. 1 will require the City and WSDOT to find additional funding or reduce scope of current project to meet the current agreement amount.

Will the legislation have an ongoing/recurring fiscal impact?

No

Will the legislation change the City’s FTE/personnel counts?

No

ATTACHMENTS:

- Proposed Amendment No. 1
- Executed Interlocal Agreement
- Resolution No. 40538