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SUBJECT: Ordinance – Adoption of the Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Program
2015-2016 & 2017-2022 – June 28, 2016
DATE: June 7, 2016

SUMMARY:

An ordinance adopting the amended Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2015-2016 & 2017-2022.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

- Assure outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environment.
- Encourage and promote an efficient and effective government, which is fiscally sustainable and guided by engaged residents.

The City’s proposed transportation program includes budgeted and planned transportation projects for the ensuing six years, which includes roadways, bridges, active transportation facilities, sidewalks, and other transportation capital improvement projects.

BACKGROUND:

Section 35.77.010 of the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) provides that the legislative body of each city and town prepare and adopt a comprehensive transportation program for the ensuing six calendar years and annually thereafter pursuant to one or more public hearings, prepare and adopt a revised and extended comprehensive transportation program, and each one-year extension and revision thereof will be filed with the Secretary of Transportation of the State of Washington. Section 35.77.010 of the RCW further provides that each city will include in their comprehensive transportation program how they intend to expend the revenues for non-motorized transportation purposes.

The City adopted the Transportation Master Plan in November 2015, which includes a prioritized list of transportation projects. The adoption of the Transportation Master Plan included citywide community outreach and two public hearings. The proposed list of projects to be added to the Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2015-2016 & 2017-2022 supports the goals and policies, as well as network priorities, outlined in the Transportation Master Plan.

On January 20, 2016, staff presented a proposed list of projects to be added to the Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2015-2016 & 2017-2022 to the Transportation Commission. Staff also presented the proposed Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2015-2016 & 2017-2022 to the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee on April 13, 2016. A City Council public hearing was held on May 24, 2016. This hearing provided an opportunity for citizens to comment on the proposed amended Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2015-2016 & 2017-2022. There was no public testimony provided during the hearing.



ISSUE:

Cities and towns are required to update and adopt their comprehensive transportation program annually. The program is necessary to allow the City to compete for and obtain State and Federal grant funding. City staff intends on pursuing grant and City funds for the 12 proposed projects added to the plan.

ALTERNATIVES:

Approval of the proposed draft Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2015-2016 & 2017-2022 can be completed at a later date or revisions can be made to the proposed list.

RECOMMENDATION:

Public Works recommends City Council adopt the amended Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2015-2016 & 2017-2022. The addition of new projects allows the City to compete for and obtain Federal and State grant funds, which leverages the City's Street Special Revenue Fund. The amendment also allows the City to repair deteriorated street conditions and pursue transportation projects that meet the Transportation Master Plan priority project list.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.