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COPY: City Council and City Clerk
SUBJECT: Request for Ordinance: Adoption of the *Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2013-2014 & 2015-2020*
DATE: December 17, 2013

SUMMARY:

Public Works staff is requesting the adoption of the *Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2013-2014 & 2015-2020*.

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.

Staff presented the *Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2013-2014 & 2015-2020* to the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee on July 24, August 28, and October 9, 2013. Staff also presented the proposed schedule and a status update of the *Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program for Amended 2013-2014 & 2015-2020* to the Cross District Association on July 16, 2013 and each Neighborhood Council in June and July. A City Council public hearing was held on November 26, 2013.

ISSUE:

Cities and towns are required to update and adopt their comprehensive transportation program annually. Adoption of the *Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program for Amended 2013-2014 & 2015-2020* is recommended by the end of the year to coincide with the biennial adoption of the Capital Facilities Plan, which occurs at the end of the year.

The program is necessary to allow the City to compete for and obtain State and Federal grant funding. The amended *Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2013-2014 & 2015-2020* includes three new projects. Of the three proposed projects, one project is fully funded through a private partnership, one project received a State grant, and one project is partially funded by a utility partnership. All proposed projects meet the Project Selection Criteria, which was created by the City Council in 2009 and added to each *Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program* preface.

On November 26, 2013, a public hearing was held at the regular City Council meeting. One person testified regarding the status of the Historic Water Ditch Trail and scope of the Tacoma Avenue Bridge projects. Another written comment was submitted requesting a summary of the



main changes to the program. Responses to testimony and comments will be provided to City Council prior to the December 17, 2013 meeting.

ALTERNATIVES:

Approval of the *Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2013-2014 & 2015-2020* can be completed at a later date or revisions can be made to the proposed list.

The *Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2013-2014 & 2015-2020* can be adopted at a later date, but not later than July 1, 2014.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff is requesting adoption of the amended *Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2013-2014 & 2015-2020* at the City Council meeting. Addition of the new projects allows the City to compete for and obtain Federal and State grants funds, which leverages the City's Street Special Revenue Fund. The amendment also allows the City to repair hazardous street conditions and pursue transportation projects that meet the Project Selection Criteria within the *Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Preface*. No action may result in a loss of or delay in funding and project completion.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.