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SUBJECT: Resolution – Grant Acceptance – January 25, 2022
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SUMMARY AND PURPOSE:

A resolution accepting 30 grants from the Washington State Department of Transportation, Transportation Improvement Board, Puget Sound Regional Council, the Highway Safety Improvement Program, Washington Traffic Safety Commission, Washington Department of Commerce, and Sound Transit in the total amount of \$41,522,752 and depositing said sum into the various Capital Project funds, to fund various Public Works projects including pedestrian facilities, trails, bikeways, safe routes to schools, roadway improvements, traffic signal, bridge, and other transportation infrastructure improvements.

BACKGROUND:

Public Works aggressively applied for grants for numerous infrastructure projects in 2018 through 2021. 28 projects were selected to receive approximately \$41.5 million in grant funds. After the last City Council update in July of 2019, notification of grant award was received for the following projects:

Project	Total Grant Awards
Taylor Way	\$4,000,000
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Links to Opportunity	\$3,500,000
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Water Flume Line Trail IIIA	\$2,273,631
Water Flume Line Trail IIIB	\$3,316,860
East Portland Avenue from East 64th to 72nd Street	\$ 57,642
Tacoma Trails to Transit Connector (Mildred Street, South 12th to North 9th Streets)	\$ 111,000
Education and Encouragement SRTS – curriculum for safe walking/biking	\$ 60,000
First Creek School Zone Beacon – East 56th Street and Portland Avenue	\$ 42,000
South 21st Street and C Street Traffic Signal	\$1,116,600
Schuster Parkway Trail	\$4,000,000
East 38th Street (East Portland Avenue-SR 7)	\$1,361,000
East Portland Avenue (East 56th Street to East 64th Street)	\$1,130,000
Education and Encouragement - Walking Route Maps	\$ 45,000
Driver Speed Campaign	\$ 76,500
Cedar Street Active Transportation Enhancements: South 15th to South Center Streets	\$1,166,630
Manitou Elementary Safe Routes to School Project	\$ 543,091
Tacoma Spur Stadium Southbound Ramp	\$2,707,673
Tacoma Spur Stadium Northbound Ramp	\$2,688,316
I Street Overlay	\$ 15,315
Portland Avenue Freight and Access Improvements	\$ 6,537
Puyallup Avenue Transit/Complete Street Improvements	\$ 62,500
Prairie Line Trail Phase II	\$4,400,000
South Sound Freight Priority Modeling and Capital Planning	\$ 765,000



Project (continued)	Total Grant Awards
McKinley Avenue Crosswalk Improvements at East 36th and East 37th Streets	\$ 205,500
South 19th Street Signal and Crosswalk Improvements Yakima Avenue to Tacoma Avenue	\$ 168,400
Pedestrian Improvements at South 19th Street and Fawcett Avenue Intersection (HAWK)	\$ 23,700
East 64th Street Phase 2: McKinley Avenue to Portland Avenue	\$4,000,000
South Yakima Missing Link Sidewalks: South 67th to S 70th Streets	<u>\$ 219,857</u>
TOTAL	\$ 41,522,752

The attached table provides background information including brief project summaries, grant descriptions and City match requirements for the 30 grants.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT/ CUSTOMER RESEARCH:

Infrastructure improvements identified in this resolution were identified by a significant amount of public engagement and outreach in Tacoma completed to develop the Transportation Master Plan. The outreach included engagement in under-represented neighborhoods where improvements historically haven't met expectations with a goal of identifying opportunities in these neighborhoods and helping assure citizens spending is allocated equitably city-wide.

2025 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

Equity and Accessibility:

This resolution will support the City's goals for Equity and Accessibility and Public Works' goals for Access, Traffic Flow and Safety on City streets, pedestrian and bicycle facilities. Infrastructure improvements align with REAP goals to enhance an organizational culture supporting anti-racist actions and equitable infrastructure investment for the improvements, maintenance, and repair of traffic signal, bridge and other transportation infrastructure in a timely manner affecting all citizens requiring access to a variety of different modes of transportation. Public Works staff uses data building on the Equity Index to allocate infrastructure improvements and to prioritize improvements in under-represented neighborhoods increasing community trust with data driven decisions.

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

Increase the number of infrastructure projects and improvements that support existing and new business developments.

Increase the number of diverse livable wage jobs.

Livability: *Equity Index Score: Moderate 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).

This resolution will provide grant funding to deliver equitable infrastructure investment for the improvement, maintenance, and repair of trails, pedestrian and bicycle facilities, traffic signal, bridge and other transportation infrastructure improvements. It will provide infrastructure access and safety improvements and increase livability, business development or support, and increase community engagement.



ALTERNATIVES:

Alternative(s)	Positive Impact(s)	Negative Impact(s)
1. Return grant funding.	None	Projects cannot be delivered and grants may need to be returned.

EVALUATION AND FOLLOW UP:

Project scope, schedule, and budget are tracked to ensure successful delivery of projects meeting grant timelines and other milestones. Community benefits are tracked by performance measures reported to the City Council and through granting agency audits. Project outreach is completed through mailings, public meetings and website capital project improvement updates. Project contracts and amendments are presented to the City Council as needed.

STAFF/SPONSOR RECOMMENDATION:

The recommendation is to approve the resolution to accept grant funding to support delivery of projects listed improving safety, access, and equability.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Projects have been or will be budgeted through the capital budgeting process.

GRANT SOURCE	PROJECT NAME	PROJECT ID	GRANT AMOUNT	CITY CONTRIBUTION	TOTAL FUNDS
Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) & National Highway Freight Program	Taylor Way	PWK-G0021	\$5,500,000	\$0	\$5,500,000
Sound Transit Access Fund & Washington State Department of Commerce	Links to Opportunity	PWK-G0041	\$5,460,000	\$6,820,000	\$12,280,000
PSRC Countywide	Water Flume Line Trail IIIA	PWK-00561	\$2,273,631	\$2,370,887	\$4,644,518
PSRC Countywide	Water Flume Line Trail IIIB	PWK-00561	\$3,316,860	\$1,596,782	\$4,913,642
PSRC Preservation Program	East Portland Avenue from East 64th to East 72nd Streets	PWK-G0053	\$57,642	\$55,239	\$112,881
WSDOT First Mile/Last Mile	Tacoma Trails to Transit Connector Mildred Street South 12th to North 9th Streets	PWK-G0044	\$111,000	\$120,000	\$231,000



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Washington Traffic Safety Commission	Education and Encouragement SRTS – Improving Bike and Pedestrian Safety 2.0 – Walking Route Maps	PWK-G0033	\$60,000	\$0	\$60,000
Washington Traffic Safety Commission	First Creek School Zone Beacon East 56th Street and Portland Avenue	PWK-G0033	\$42,000	\$12,600	\$54,600
U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)	South 21st Street and C Street Signal	PWK-G0045	\$1,116,600	\$15,100	\$1,131,700
CWA (Connecting Washington)	Schuster Parkway Trail	TBD	\$4,000,000	\$0	\$4,000,000
National Highway Safety (NHS)	East 38th Street (East Portland Avenue-SR 7)	PWK-G0051	\$1,361,000	\$0	\$1,361,000
NHS	East Portland Avenue (East 56th Street – East 64th Street)	PWK-G0052	\$1,130,000	\$0	\$1,130,000
Washington Traffic Safety Commission	Education and Encouragement – Improving Bike and Pedestrian Safety 3.0 - Walking Route Maps	PWK-G0033	\$45,000	\$0	\$45,000
Washington Traffic Safety Commission	Driver Speed Campaign	PWK-G0033	\$76,500	\$0	\$76,500
Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) Ped Bike	South Cedar Street Active Transportation Enhancements: South 15th Street to South Center Street	PWK-G0050	\$1,166,630	\$350,000	\$1,516,630
WSDOT Safe Routes to School	Manitou Elementary Safe Routes to School Project	PWK-G0047	\$543,091	\$55,000	\$598,091
WSDOT Local Programs Bridge Advisory Committee (LPBAC)	Tacoma Spur Stadium Southbound Ramp	PWK-G0048	\$2,707,673	\$50,355	\$2,758,028



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LPBAC (Bridge)	Tacoma Spur Stadium Northbound Ramp	PWK-G0048	\$2,688,316	\$50,024	\$2,738,340
PSRC Supplemental Federal Highway Administration funds	I Street Overlay	PWK-G0040	\$15,315	\$0	\$15,315
PSRC Supplemental Federal Highway Administration funds	Portland Avenue Freight and Access Improvements	PWK-G0035	\$6,537	\$0	\$6,537
PSRC Supplemental Federal Highway Administration funds	Puyallup Avenue Transit/Complete Street Improvements	PWK-G0020	\$62,500	\$0	\$62,500
PSRC Supplemental Federal Highway Administration funds	Prairie Line Trail Phase II	PWK-G0014	\$4,400,000	\$2,100,000	\$6,500,000
PSRC Supplemental Federal Highway Administration funds	South Sound Freight Priority Modeling and Capital Planning	PWK-G0054	\$765,000	\$90,000	\$855,000
WSDOT FFY 2018 City Safety Selections (HSIP) Additional Funding	McKinley Avenue Crosswalk Improvements East 36th and East 37th Streets	PWK-G0039-10	\$205,500	\$0	\$205,500
WSDOT FFY 2018 City Safety Selections (HSIP) Additional Funding	South 19th Street Signal and Crosswalk Improvements at Yakima Avenue and Tacoma Avenue	PWK-G0039-04	\$168,400	\$0	\$168,400
WSDOT FFY 2018 City Safety Selections (HSIP) Additional Funding	Pedestrian Improvements at South 19th Street & Fawcett Avenue Intersection (HAWK Signal)	PWK-G0032	\$23,700	\$0	\$23,700
Washington State Transportation Improvement Board (TIB)	East 64th Street Phase 2: McKinley to Portland Avenue	PWK-G0042	\$4,000,000	\$4,919,000	\$8,919,000



Washington State TIB	South Yakima Missing Link Sidewalks: South 67th to South 70th Street	PWK-G0055	\$219,857	\$78,053	\$297,910
TOTAL			\$41,522,752	\$18,683,040	\$60,205,792

What Funding is being used to support the expense?

Various one-time funding sources including grant revenues, 1085 Streets Initiative revenues, Real Estate Excise Tax (REET) revenues, motor vehicle fuel tax, utility funds, and Planning and Development Services revenues.

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

NO, PLEASE EXPLAIN BELOW

Some of the projects are budgeted in this biennium and some will be budgeted in future biennia based on project funding schedules.

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

YES

Will the legislation have an ongoing/recurring fiscal impact?

No

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

YES, PLEASE EXPLAIN BELOW

This resolution will provide the opportunity to accept grant funding and deliver more projects meeting grant and other required timelines. Project staff may be needed to support delivery of these projects.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Public Works 2018-2021 Grant Awards