



RESOLUTION NO. 41321

1 A RESOLUTION relating to infrastructure projects; accepting grants and loans
2 from the Puget Sound Regional Council, National Highway Performance
3 Program, and the Washington State Public Works Board, in the total amount
4 of \$17,684,908; and accepting and depositing said sum into the various
5 Capital Project funds, to fund various Public Works projects including
6 pedestrian facilities, bikeways, safe routes to schools, roadway
7 improvements, traffic signals, bridges, and other transportation
8 infrastructure improvements.

9 WHEREAS the City's Public Works Department ("PW") applied for grants
10 and loans for numerous infrastructure projects in 2022-2023, and six projects were
11 selected to receive approximately \$17,684,908 in grant and loan funds or
12 supplemental funding for grants already received, and

13 WHEREAS notification of grant and loan awards or supplemental funding
14 was received for six projects, as well as background information, including brief
15 project summaries, grant descriptions, supplemental funding information, and City
16 match requirements for the six projects, and

17 WHEREAS the infrastructure improvements identified in this resolution were
18 identified by a significant amount of public engagement and outreach in the City to
19 develop the Transportation Master Plan ("TMP"), and Six-Year Comprehensive
20 Transportation Improvement Program ("TIP"), and

21 WHEREAS outreach for the TMP included engagement in under-
22 represented neighborhoods where improvements have historically not met
23 expectations, with a goal of identifying opportunities in these neighborhoods, and
24 helping to assure the community spending is allocated equitably City-wide, and
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1 WHEREAS the TIP is updated annually to include planned transportation
2 projects for the remaining year and the ensuing six years, and each update includes
3 public outreach and engagement, including community and Transportation
4 Commission outreach and a public hearing, and

5 WHEREAS PW staff uses data building on the City's Equity Index to allocate
6 infrastructure improvements and to prioritize improvements in under-represented
7 neighborhoods, increasing community trust with data driven decisions, and

8 WHEREAS these PW projects support the City's goals for equity and
9 accessibility, and PW's goals for access, traffic flow, and safety on City streets,
10 pedestrian, and bicycle facilities, and

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12 WHEREAS these infrastructure improvements also align with Racial Equity
13 Action Plan goals to enhance an organizational culture supporting anti-racist
14 actions, and equitable infrastructure investment, for the improvement, maintenance,
15 and repair of traffic signals, bridges, and other transportation infrastructure in a
16 timely manner, affecting all community members requiring access to a variety of
17 different modes of transportation, and

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19 WHEREAS the grant and loan awards require a City match of \$470,750, and

20 WHEREAS, under the grant and loan process guidelines, the City Council
21 must approve acceptance of grant and loan funding; Now, Therefore,
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23 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:

24 Section 1. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to
25 accept grant and loan funding from the Puget Sound Regional Council, National
26 Highway Performance Program, and the Washington State Public Works Board, in



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the total amount of \$17,684,908, for deposit into the Capital Project Funds, together with \$470,750 in matching City funds, budgeted from the Streets Initiative Fund, for a cumulative total of \$18,155,658, to fund various Public Works projects, including pedestrian facilities, trails, bikeways, safe routes to schools, roadway improvements, traffic signals, bridges, and other transportation infrastructure improvements, as more fully set forth in the attached Exhibit "A."

Section 2. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to execute grant and loan agreements and any associated term extensions with the Puget Sound Regional Council, National Highway Performance Program, and the Washington State Public Works Board for the administration of the funding accepted pursuant to Section 1.

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney

EXHIBIT A
Public Works 2023 Grant Awards

Project	Grant	Background Information/General Discussion	Contact
Baker Middle School Safe Routes to School	Puget Sound Regional Council \$1,469,658	This project will include curb extensions/bulb-outs, new marked crosswalks, crossing advance stop bars, green pavement/bicycle intersection crossing markings, rectangular rapid flashing beacon (RRFB), hybrid beacon (HAWK), speed humps, school/playground 20 MPH speed zone (flashing beacons/signage), ADA curb ramps, bicycle boulevard conversion, bicycle wayfinding signs/markings, green pavement markings, protected bike lane, sidewalk (5'+) with curb and buffer, sidewalk (6'+) with curb, Safe Routes to School (SRTS) walk/bike to school events, SRTS encouragement activities, and SRTS safety education classes. A City match of \$100,000 is required and funded via the Streets Initiative Fund.	Clara Dubow 253.208.4161
Fishing Wars Memorial Bridge Phase 2	National Highway Performance Program \$9,000,000	This project will complete replacement of the 2,400-foot-long bridge crossing the Puyallup River. Phase 1 of the bridge replacement was completed in 2019. Phase 2 of the project will replace the remaining 1,400 feet of the bridge by installing a steel tied truss arch, which fully spans the Puyallup River, with a precast concrete approach structure on the east end completing the final connection into the City of Fife over the Union Pacific Railroad. The project will replace the existing structurally deficient and functionally obsolete three lane bridge over the Puyallup River with a four-lane bridge with bike lanes and upgraded pedestrian facilities. A City match is not required.	Chris Storey 253.573.2484
South 48th Street Seismic	National Highway Performance Program \$1,096,000	This project will provide column upgrades (steel jacketing) to the seismically vulnerable columns. This is an urban arterial over I-5. A City match is not required.	Clara Dubow 253.208.4161
Portland Avenue Vision Zero Improvements: East 27th Steet to East 56th Street	Puget Sound Regional Council \$2,119,250	This project will complete the design of bicycle and pedestrian improvements on/adjacent to Portland Avenue from East 27 th Street to East 56 th Street. The project will include pedestrian safety and ADA enhancements, protected bicycle facilities/shared use path along/adjacent to the corridor, traffic calming, improved access to transit, and new and improved bicycle and pedestrian crossings. This grant will fund the preliminary engineering phase which includes a traffic study, community engagement, survey, and design. A City match of \$370,750 is required and funded via the Streets Initiative Fund.	Charla Kinlow 253.208.4223

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Project	Grant	Background Information/General Discussion	Contact
St. Helens Avenue Improvement	Washington State Public Works Board \$1,275,000-Loan \$225,000-Grant	The project will include construction on St. Helens Avenue, from 6th Avenue to Division Avenue, including the intersection of 6th Avenue. Improvements will consist of an asphalt grind and overlay from curb face to curb face along with bulb-outs at the intersections and installation of active transportation features (bike facilities and crosswalks). A City match is not required.	Charla Kinlow 253.208.4223
Links to Opportunity Streetscape	Washington State Public Works Board \$2,125,000-Loan \$375,000-Grant	This project will improve infrastructure in the Hilltop District on MLK Jr. Way. Work will extend along North 1st Street from Tacoma Avenue to Division Avenue, Division from North 1st to MLK, and MLK from Division to South 19th Street. Construction will include curb to building face improvements, including new ADA compliant sidewalks, curb ramps, and crossings. The project also includes lighting, street furniture, wayfinding signage, trees, landscaping, and art. The resulting streetscape design will enable safe access for all users including pedestrians, cyclists, motorists, and transit riders of all ages and abilities. A City match is not required.	Jon Kulju 253.591.5204