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COPY: City Council and City Clerk
SUBJECT: Resolution – Permanent Maintenance Easements to Sound Transit – November 24, 2015
DATE: October 26, 2015

SUMMARY:

Authorizing the execution of permanent Access and Maintenance Easements to Sound Transit across the northerly 5 feet of two City-owned real properties at East 26th and East “G” Streets, for consideration of \$2,205, to be deposited in the Public Works Facilities Property Management Fund 1100.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

- Ensure all Tacoma residents are valued and have access to resources to meet their needs.

Approval and authorization of the easements are necessary to facilitate the removal, construction, access, inspection, and maintenance of Sound Transit’s adjoining retaining wall for the double track replacement and expansion in connection with the Sound Transit Commuter Rail/Tacoma Trestle Track & Signal Project.

BACKGROUND:

Sound Transit is constructing a retaining wall along the southerly margin of the rail corridor necessary to facilitate the track replacement and expansion in connection with the Sound Transit Commuter Rail/Tacoma Trestle Track & Signal Project. While the retaining wall will be located completely on property owned by Sound Transit, as a result of the second platform construction there is insufficient property to properly access the retaining wall. These permanent access easements will provide Sound Transit with the necessary rights of access to maintain their wall.

ISSUE:

As a result of the second platform construction, there is insufficient property remaining for Sound Transit to access and maintain the retaining wall while keeping passenger rail in service. Permanent rights of access over and along the City’s real property will provide necessary access with little to no disruption of services.

ALTERNATIVES:

Alternatively to the execution of these easements Sound Transit could close the second platform for all necessary inspection, maintenance and repair, resulting in disruption of rail services and displacement of Amtrak passengers.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Public Works Department recommends council approval to execute and grant to Sound Transit easements necessary for the access and maintenance of their retaining wall in furtherance of reliable passenger transportation of its citizens.



FISCAL IMPACT:

The City will receive \$2,205.00, in market value compensation, for the easements over, along and across the northerly 5 feet of the City's real property, pending approval.

EXPENDITURES:

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME *	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
N/A			
TOTAL			

* General Fund: Include Department

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
Fund 1100-PWF Property Mgmt.	295000	4360000	\$2,205.00
TOTAL			\$2,205.00

POTENTIAL POSITION IMPACT:

POSITION TITLE	PERMANENT/ PROJECT TEMPORARY POSITION	FTE IMPACT	POSITION END DATE
N/A			
TOTAL			

This section should only be completed if a subsequent request will be made to increase or decrease the current position count.

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: \$2,205.00

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? No

IF EXPENSE IS NOT BUDGETED, PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW THEY ARE TO BE COVERED.

N/A