

Board Action Memorandum

TO: Jackie Flowers, Director of Utilities

COPY: Charleen Jacobs, Director and Board Offices FROM: Dale W. King, Superintendent Tacoma Rail

MEETING DATE: July 13, 2022 DATE: June 24, 2022

STRATEGIC DIRECTIVE ALIGNMENT (select as many that apply):

Pease indicate which of the Public Utility Board's Strategic Directives is supported by this action.	
□SD1 – Equity & Inclusion	☐SD8 – Telecom
⊠SD2 – Financial Sustainability	☐SD9 – Economic Development
□SD3 – Rates	☐SD10 – Government Relations
□SD4 – Stakeholder Engagement	☐SD11 – Decarbonization/Electric Vehicles
□SD5 – Environmental Leadership	☐SD12 – Employee Relations
☐ SD6 – Innovation	☐SD13 – Customer Service
⊠SD7 – Reliability & Resiliency	☐SD14 – Resource Planning

SUMMARY: Tacoma Rail requests authorization to enter into a Loan Agreement with the Washington State Department of Transportation for the purpose of upgrading 770 feet of railroad tracks along the Alexander Wye and Storage Tracks.

BACKGROUND: Subsequent to applying for financial assistance to upgrade a segment of existing railroad tracks, WSDOT notified Tacoma Rail that \$606,000.00 was awarded. Loan Agreement RRB-1286 requires Tacoma Rail contribute \$261,081.00 in matching funds towards completion of the project, is for a ten-year term and requires annual payments of \$60,600.00 beginning on July 1, 2023.

The project is located in the vicinity of Alexander Avenue, and Lincoln Avenue, in the Port of Tacoma / Tidelands Area.

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes

IF THE EXPENSE IS NOT BUDGETED, PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW IT IS TO BE COVERED. N/A

IF THE ACTION REQUESTED IS APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT, INCLUDE LANGUAGE IN RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING \$200,000 INCREASE IN ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY TO DIRECTOR? Choose an item.

N/A

ATTACHMENTS: Washington State Department of Transportation Loan Agreement RRB 1286 Alexander Wye & Storage Tracks.

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