

City of Tacoma

City Council Action Memorandum

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SUBJECT:	Resolution – Setting Public Hearing Date for the Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation
	Program – May 10, 2016
DATE:	April 19, 2016

SUMMARY:

A resolution setting Tuesday, May 24, 2016, at approximately 5:30 p.m., as the date and time for a public hearing before the City Council for the purpose of adopting the draft Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2015-2016 & 2017-2022.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

- Assure outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environment.
- Encourage and promote an efficient and effective government, which is fiscally sustainable and guided by engaged residents.

A public hearing will allow residents and interested stakeholders to review and comment on the City's proposed transportation program for the ensuing six years, which includes roadways, bridges, active transportation facilities, sidewalks, and other transportation capital improvement projects.

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.

The City adopted the Transportation Master Plan December 2015, which includes a prioritized list of transportation projects. The adoption of the Transportation Master Plan included citywide community outreach and two public hearings. The proposed list of projects to be added to the Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2015-2016 & 2017-2022 support the goals and policies, as well as network priorities outlined in the Transportation Master Plan.

On January 20, 2016, staff presented a proposed list of projects to be added to the Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2015-2016 & 2017-2022 to the Transportation Commission. Staff also presented the draft Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2015-2016 & 2017-2022 to the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee on April 13, 2016.

ISSUE:

Cities and towns are required to update and adopt their comprehensive transportation program annually. The program is necessary to allow the City to compete for and obtain State and Federal grant funding. City staff is pursuing grant and City funds for the 12 proposed projects.

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ALTERNATIVES:

Approval of the proposed draft Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2015-2016 & 2017-2022 can be completed at a later date or revisions can be made to the proposed list.

The Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2015-2016 & 2017-2022 must be adopted no later than July 1, 2016.

RECOMMENDATION:

Public Works recommends City Council approve this request to set Tuesday, May 24, 2016, at approximately 5:30 p.m., as the date and time for a public hearing before the City Council for the purpose of adopting the draft Six-Year Comprehensive Transportation Improvement Program Amended 2015-2016 & 2017-2022.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact.