



Staff Report – Public Hearing

June 3, 2024 Council Regular Meeting

Public Hearing Six Year Transportation Improvement Program

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Time Estimate: 10 minutes

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BACKGROUND: The Six Year Transportation Improvement Program, also known as the Six Year Street Plan, is updated each year prior to commencement of the Washington State fiscal year of July 1 per the requirements of the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 35.77.010. This year's program is for calendar years 2025 through 2030. Projects that have obligated (committed) construction funding are pulled from the list each year.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the RCW, the purpose of the Plan is to assure that each city shall perpetually have available advanced plans looking to the future for not less than six years as a guide in carrying out a coordinated transportation program. Most of the projects on the list do not currently have a funding source. The project list is much larger than available funding sources. Some grant sources require a project to be on the agency's Six Year Street Plan to be eligible for funding. Typically, the priority number assigned is only for broader community planning purposes and is not necessarily of importance for reasons of timing or eligibility of funding.

Staff presented a draft of the map and list of projects for the program at the May 20 Council Workshop. Drafts were also posted in the Camas Washougal Post Record and on the City's website.

The plan consists of the list, map and appendices. The drafts are attached to this agenda item. Staff is proposing a few changes to the 2024 through 2029 plan from last year. The main changes on the attached draft are as follows:

- The SR 500/Everett Street Corridor has been divided into three different projects (shown as priorities 1, 3 and 6) based on recent corridor analyses, Council comments and new grant funding for design for the segment from NE 35th Avenue to NE 43rd Avenue.
- Four roadways have been added based on the Northshore Design Manual (shown as priorities 40 through 43.)
- NW 20th Avenue extension to NW 18th Avenue around the 18th Avenue reservoir (shown as priority 25.) This connection provides circulation from NW Brady Road to NW 18th Avenue between Prune Hill Elementary School and the Discovery/Odyssey campuses.

BENEFITS TO THE COMMUNITY: This plan allows projects to be eligible for various grants. These grants benefit all citizens in general by providing completed projects with sources that offset local funding.

POTENTIAL CHALLENGES: Limited funding is available for projects.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that Council conduct a public hearing, consider public testimony and direct the City Attorney to prepare a Resolution to adopt the Six Year Transportation Improvement Program for the June 17, 2024 Council Meeting.