



Staff Report

August 1, 2022 Council Workshop Meeting

Transportation Benefit District Presentation

Presenter: Cathy Huber Nickerson, Finance Director and Debra Brooks, Financial Analyst

Time Estimate: 15 minutes

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BACKGROUND: This presentation provides information on Transportation Benefit Districts to inform Council of optional revenue sources as part of the City's 2023-2024 biennial budget process.

SUMMARY: Transportation Benefit Districts are utilized in 110 cities and towns in Washington State as of July 2022. These cities and towns utilize sales tax or vehicle license fess to support transportation costs in the Transportation Benefit Districts. This presentation will review how the district is formed, governed, funding sources and other considerations.

EQUITY CONSIDERATIONS:

What are the desired results and outcomes for this agenda item? The results of the presentation should provide Council context for future decision making.

What's the data? What does the data tell us? The data will be presented during the presentation.

How have communities been engaged? Are there opportunities to expand engagement? n/a

Who will benefit from, or be burdened by this agenda item? The City should benefit with more informed decision making.

What are the strategies to mitigate any unintended consequences? n/a

Does this agenda item have a differential impact on underserved populations, people living with disabilities, and/or communities of color? Please provide available data to illustrate this impact. n/a

Will this agenda item improve ADA accessibilities for people with disabilities? n/a

What potential hurdles exists in implementing this proposal (include both operational and political)? This is information only.

How will you ensure accountabilities, communicate, and evaluate results? The results will be communicated on the City's Open Budget platform.

How does this item support a comprehensive plan goal, policy, or other adopted resolution? If City Council chooses to implement a Transportation Benefit District with new revenue, this policy would leverage the goal in the Strategic Plan to diversity the City's revenue base.

BUDGET IMPACT: This is information only currently.

RECOMMENDATION: For Council information only.