

## **Staff Report**

May 16, 2022 Council Workshop Meeting

Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program Presenter: James Carothers, Engineering Manager

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 2023 through 2028. 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, which essentially includes all projects for the 20-year planning horizon, is much larger than available funding sources. Similarly, just because a project is on the list doesn't mean that it is or will be funded in the near future (there is often confusion on this from developers and the general public). Some grant sources require a project to be on the agency's 6 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 is proposing only minor changes to the 2022 through 2027 plan from last year. The main changes on the attached draft are as follows:

- NE Goodwin Road/28<sup>th</sup> Street Project (NW Camas Meadows Dr. to NE 232<sup>nd</sup> Ave.) has been moved from priority 10 to priority 3. Staff is proposing the City begin moving forward with this project in the near future, including application for potential funding opportunities.
- NW/NE 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Corridor Improvements Project has been moved from priority 16 to priority 10.
- The NE Goodwin Road and NE Ingle Road Traffic Signal Project is to be constructed as conditioned for development and has been pulled from the list.

The plan consists of the list, map and appendices. The drafts are attached to this agenda item. The public hearing for this plan is scheduled for June 6 and resolution adoption is slated for the June 21 meeting.

## **EQUITY CONSIDERATIONS:**

What are the desired results and outcomes for this agenda item?

This workshop item is an introduction to this year's plan in anticipation of a June 6, 2022 Public Hearing and adoption of the Resolution by Council on June 21, 2022.

What's the data? What does the data tell us?

N/A

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

This plan is being posted on the website and there is an upcoming Public Hearing. Public comments will be provided to Council for consideration.

Who will benefit from, or be burdened by this agenda item?

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.

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.

No.

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

There are many projects in this plan that include ADA accessibility enhancements.

What potential hurdles exists in implementing this proposal (include both operational and political)?

None.

How will you ensure accountabilities, communicate, and evaluate results?

After a public hearing, this plan is to be adopted by Council Resolution.

How does this item support a comprehensive plan goal, policy or other adopted resolution?

Projects in the comprehensive plan are included in the Six Year Street Plan.

**BUDGET IMPACT:** This agenda item is budget neutral.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends that Council provide comments about this plan. Staff will bring this plan back for a Public Hearing on June 6, 2022.