

## **Staff Report**

May 15, 2023 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 (TIP), 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 2024 through 2029. 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 is proposing only minor changes to the 2023 through 2028 plan from last year. The main change on the attached draft is as follows:

• NW 38<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW Parker to Grass Valley Park has been removed as construction funding will be obligated in 2023.

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 5 and resolution adoption is slated for the June 20 meeting.

**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.

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

**POTENTIAL CHALLENGES:** Limited funding is available for projects.

**RECOMMENDATION:** A public hearing is scheduled for 7 p.m. June 5, 2023 at the City Council's Regular Meeting.