



Staff Report – Public Hearing

June 2, 2025 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 to be updated by municipalities 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 2026 through 2031. 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 minor changes to the 2025 through 2030 plan from last year. The main changes on the attached draft are as follows:

- Removal of the SE Bybee Road Realignment (previously priority 13.) This project is currently under construction.
- Removal of the NE Ingle Road extension from NE Goodwin Road to NE 232nd Avenue (previously priority 44.) This proposed route has extensive critical areas and is not likely to be constructed.

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 16, 2025 Council Meeting.