



## Staff Report

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NE 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave Bridge Seismic Retro-Fit Washougal Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

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**BACKGROUND:** The City of Washougal Water System Plan calls for the installation of a new 12" waterline within the NE 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue Camas Right-of-Way in the next eight to ten years. Upon learning of the Camas project to seismically reinforce the NE 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue Bridge, the City of Washougal asked Camas staff if it would be possible to add a single penetration in each abutment (i.e. ends of the bridge) to accommodate this future 12" water main. Staff consulted with the project bridge engineer who confirmed that adding these penetrations to the existing plans was relatively simple. Adding the work to the project was also an inexpensive matter since the abutments at each end of the bridge would be exposed by other project work. For these reasons, the construction plans for the project have been designed to include these penetrations. The estimated construction cost to perform this additional work is \$4,968.00.

**SUMMARY:** The City of Washougal has agreed to reimburse Camas for the cost of this work. Approval and execution of the MOU is required to formalize the agreement for this additional work and to provide a mechanism for Washougal to reimburse Camas for the additional construction costs.

### **EQUITY CONSIDERATIONS:**

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

Approval of the attached MOU between the cities of Camas and Washougal on the April 19, 2021 Council Consent Agenda.

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

N/A

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 of Camas benefits via reimbursement for the additional cost. Washougal receives a potential future cost savings.

What are the strategies to mitigate any unintended consequences?

Both parties agree that the City of Washougal will submit for review and approval any future plans to install a waterline within the city limits of Camas, and that such installation will require negotiation and execution of a more formal agreement that thoroughly addresses easements, ownerships, liabilities and responsibilities of each party.

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?

No.

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

No known hurdles exist.

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

Construction of the seismic improvements to the NE 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue Bridge will be observed and inspected by a qualified engineer.

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

This item will support a future waterline installation as identified in the City of Washougal Water System plan and is consistent with other mutual aid agreements.

**BUDGET IMPACT:** This MOU will result in a cost neutral impact to the City of Camas as it requires Washougal to reimburse Camas for the construction costs associated with the requested penetrations. Additionally, the work required by the City's consultant to modify the engineering plans to include the penetrations was paid by Washougal directly to the consultant.

**RECOMMENDATION:** This item is for Council's information only. Staff recommends the Memorandum of Understanding be placed on the April 19, 2021 Council Consent Agenda for approval.