



## Staff Report – Resolution

November 21, 2022 Council Workshop / Regular Meeting

Resolution No. 22-015 Adopting the 2022 update to the General Sewer Plan

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Time Estimate: 5 minutes

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**INTRODUCTION/PURPOSE/SUMMARY:** In accordance with Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 173-240-050, the City is required to update and adopt a General Sewer Plan. The General Sewer Plan is intended to address the following key issues:

- The need and timing of the replacement of older, deteriorating sanitary sewer facilities within large, neighborhood-size areas within the City.
- The evaluation of the City’s system capacity to address both system deficiency and potential development.
- The evaluation of sanitary sewer lift stations and force mains for removal, rehabilitation, and replacement.
- The City’s Infiltration and Inflow (I/I) program to evaluate options and needs for I/I reduction.
- Implementation of recommended improvements by priority which maintains affordable rates for the system users

Staff presented a completed (draft) of the 2022 General Sewer Plan at the October 3, 2022 City Council Workshop and did not receive any comments or questions that required revisions to the Plan. A State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) checklist has been completed for the Plan and is currently being processed and staff will forward the Plan to the Department of Ecology for review and approval after adoption by the City Council. Based on past experience, Ecology’s review of the Plan will likely take a number of months. If any significant changes are necessary, staff will bring back an amended copy for Council’s consideration at that time.

As an additional item of interest, this Plan also includes the Capital Facilities Plan element that is the basis for the City’s Sewer System Development Charge that is also anticipated to be adopted at the November 21, 2022 Regular City Council Meeting.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends the City Council adopt Resolution 22-015 as presented.