

Staff Report

July 18, 2022 Council Workshop Meeting

NE Everett Street Corridor Analysis Professional Services Agreement Presenter: James Carothers, Engineering Manager Time Estimate: 5 Minutes

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BACKGROUND: With the formal completion of the roundabout at NE Lake Road and Everett Street in 2021, there is a need to determine how to best develop the critical SR 500 (Everett Street) transportation route as growth continues. This need includes the bridge and the roadway to the north of the roundabout to as far as NE 3rd Street in unincorporated Clark County. The process will include working with WSDOT to identify possible options, robust public involvement, and eventual selection of a preferred improvement alternative that will be used to seek external funding for the project.

SUMMARY: Staff compiled a request for qualifications (RFQ) from civil engineering consultants following the Spring Omnibus allocation of \$250,000 for this analysis. PBS, Inc. was the sole respondent to this RFQ. Upon review of their proposal, staff concluded that the PBS team has significant experience in transportation planning and is well-qualified to perform this work. Staff has negotiated the attached scope and budget with PBS for this analysis. Upon review, staff has concluded that there should be extensive public outreach and neighborhood meetings included in this agreement. This involvement raises the anticipated cost of this analysis to roughly \$320,000. While it is anticipated that 2022 expenditures will not exceed the \$250,000 budget, additional funding will be addressed in a future budget adoption.

EQUITY CONSIDERATIONS:

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

Staff is recommending Council approval of the agreement on the August 1 Consent Agenda.

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

Not applicable.

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

This effort will include a very public process to work with stakeholders in the area and to seek comment from them about the various options developed with this proposal.

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

Ultimately, walkers, bicyclists and motorists will benefit from the project. Widening this travel way will have impacts on residents and business owners in the corridor.

What are the strategies to mitigate any unintended consequences?

Early coordination with stakeholders and WSDOT, public open house events, a public comment period, creation of a technical advisory committee, and check-ins with Council along the way.

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.

This analysis will address minimizing impacts to all property owners, residents and business owners on the corridor and ensure differential impacts are not implemented.

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

Construction of improvements identified in this analysis will improve ADA accessibility.

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

An additional \$70,000 will need to be allocated to complete this analysis.

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

Through extensive public involvement and regular check-ins with Council.

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

The project is consistent with the Camas Six Year Transportation Improvement Program and the Camas Comprehensive Transportation Plan.

BUDGET IMPACT: Expenditures in the 2022 calendar year are not expected to exceed the 2022 allocated project budget amount of \$250,000. Staff will address the allocation of additional funding for this project in a future budget adoption.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff intends to place this agreement on the August 1, 2022 Consent Agenda for Council's consideration.