



# Staff Report – Assumption of Powers of Transportation Benefit District

December 2, 2024 Council Workshop Meeting

Transportation Benefit District – Assumption of Powers

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**BACKGROUND:** Staff has proposed Resolution 24-017 authorizing the City Council to hold a public hearing to consider assuming the powers of the Camas Transportation Benefit District.

**SUMMARY:** The Camas Transportation Benefit District was adopted by Ordinance 24-019 that established the boundaries of the Camas Transportation Benefit District to be the Camas city limits as they are currently exist or as they may exists following future annexations. The Camas Transportation Benefit District governing board is the same as Camas City Council. However, as a separate legal entity, there would need to be separate meetings and separate audits for the Camas Transportation Benefit District. By assuming the powers of the district, separate meetings would no longer be required, and the administration of the district would be more efficient and effective.

According to the MRSC, 85% of cities or towns have assumed the powers of Transportation Benefit Districts (July 2022).

**BENEFITS TO THE COMMUNITY:** The assumption of the powers of the Camas Transportation Benefit District by the Camas City Council would make for more efficient governance of the district and reduce costs to the City.

**POTENTIAL CHALLENGES:** None are noted.

**BUDGET IMPACT:** The assumption of the powers of the district would not have a material impact to the budget. However, it will save on state audit expenses as there would not need to be two separate audits.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends Council consider moving Resolution No 24-017 the regular agenda on December 2, 2024 to consider holding a public hearing to assume the powers of the Camas Transportation Benefit District.