

# TOPIC: RESOLUTION 2021-05 Accepting Grant Funding Award from Travel Oregon's Destination Ready Program

Meeting Date: April 13, 2021 Staff Contact: Megan Winner Contact: 541-682-7862

#### **REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION**

Approval of Resolution 2021-04, a resolution accepting the grant funding award of \$11,700 from Travel Oregon's Destination Ready program for the development of a bike hub in Coburg.

#### Suggested motion:

*I move to approve Resolution 2021-05, a Resolution accepting the grant funding award from Travel Oregon's Destination Ready program.* 

### POLICIES OR CITY COUNCIL GOAL(S) ADDRESSED

City Council Goal #1: Livability, Health, and Vitality City Council Goals #6: Economic Development

#### BACKGROUND

In March 2021, Travel Oregon launched the Destination Ready program to provide funding and assistance to destination-based organizations to develop and bolster visitor experiences that follow appropriate public health and safety protocols, and that will aid economic recovery, enhance local livability and provide access to a diversity of explorers. Project awards range from \$10,000 - \$50,000 in cash and consulting time per project category; all projects are expected to be completed within six months of the execution of a financial agreement.

In Coburg, the southern anchor to the Willamette Valley Scenic Bikeway (WVSB), our project is a bike hub in Pavilion Park. This project will support the development, enhancement and stewardship of visitor experiences by creating a functional and enjoyable space where cyclists want to come and by doing so, support the Coburg community. Desired amenities include a fixit station, lockers, bike rack, picnic table, informational signage and solar charging stations. The bike hub will promote year-round tourism by drawing visitors during the late summer months and also encouraging cycling visitors in rainy months as they will have a covered area to rest, relax and recharge. The bike hub is a triple win situation to drive community enhancement and economic development; our visitors win, our businesses win and our residents win.

#### BUDGET

Negligible impacts

#### PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

The bike hub project will be presented to the Park\Tree Committee to seek approval on final design and location. It is also a Main Street project with volunteer representation from community members.

#### NEXT STEPS

- Design, seek bids and construction
- Business outreach
- Coordinate with other bike hubs in Lane County through Travel Lane County collaboration
- Promotion and grand opening

#### ATTACHMENTS

- A. Resolution 2021-05: A Resolution accepting the grant funding award from Travel Oregon's Destination Ready program
- B. Travel Oregon's Destination Ready program award announcement press release

#### **REVIEWED BY:**

Anne Heath, City Administrator

## RESOLUTION 2021-05

# A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING GRANT FUNDING AWARD FROM TRAVEL OREGON'S DESTINATION READY PROGRAM

**WHEREAS,** the City of Coburg has been awarded \$11,700 in funding from Travel Oregon's Destination Ready program; and

WHEREAS, the acceptance of this grant will help the City of Coburg develop a bike hub to enhance and expand the visitor experience; and

WHEREAS, City Council has identified Livability, Health, and Vitality and Economic Development as a goals for 2021; and

**WHEREAS,** the City of Coburg will provide adequate funding for on-going oversight and maintenance of this bike hub development;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Coburg

- 1. The City Council demonstrates its support for the acceptance of a grant award from Travel Oregon's Destination Ready program.
- 2. The City Council authorizes the City Administrator to sign the grant agreement.
- 3. This Resolution shall be effective following its adoption by the Coburg City Council.

**Adopted** by the **City Council** of the **City of Coburg**, Oregon, by a vote of 6 for and 0 against, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of April 2021.

Ray Smith, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sammy L. Egbert, City Recorder