



# CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK

## CITY COUNCIL

### AGENDA COVER SHEET

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<b>Meeting Date</b>	October 21, 2024
<b>Originating Department</b>	Executive
<b>Contact Person</b>	Phillip Hill, City Administrator
<b>Title</b>	Resolution 24-1974/Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Professional Services Agreement with Transpo Group USA, Inc. for a Traffic Safety Study

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#### Legislative History

- First Presentation – October 17, 2024, City Council Budget & Finance Meeting
  - Second Presentation – October 21, 2024, City Council Committee of the Whole Meeting
  - Third Presentation – October 24, 2024 City Council Regular Meeting
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#### Attachments:

1. Resolution 24-1974/Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Professional Services Agreement with Transpo Group USA, Inc. for a Traffic Safety Study
  2. Professional Services Agreement with Transpogroup
  3. Transpo Group Scope of Work and Fee
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#### Executive Summary

During the March 26, 2024, council retreat, several priority items were identified for study by the city's contract traffic engineering firm as Goal 5. "Improve multimodal safety through the collection and analysis of safety related data. (46 points)". Those priorities include, 1. Develop Recommended Speed Limits for State Routes, and evaluate for the possible installation of Traffic Safety Speed Camera locations, 2. Evaluate Traffic Safety Camera Locations, specifically a new red-light camera pair at SR 104 & 35<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE, and a possible additional school zone camera near Brookside elementary to account for the unique road configuration, and 3. Evaluate New Marked Crosswalk Locations near 19115 Ballinger Way (SR104) and NE 178<sup>th</sup> Street at 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE.

The fee associated with this scope of work exceeds the mayor’s signing authority, requiring council approval. The fee associated with an equity analysis of possible camera locations along SR 522 and SR 104, and at SR 104 & 35<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE, by EcoNW, will be determined following the completion of this study based on the number of speed camera locations recommended.

**Background**

Relying on data collected by the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) the city has made efforts to have speeds on SR 522 and SR 104 reduced to as low as 30 mph. WSDOT recently reduced the speed on SR 104 from 40 mph to 35 mph and one section of SR 522 from 40 mph to 35 mph. Based on concerns from council, the administration was directed to procure a study that does not rely on previous assumptions to vet the appropriate speed limit for these two state highways as they pass through Lake Forest Park.

Additional concerns raised during the council retreat for pedestrian safety are noted above and included in the proposed scope of work. No prior work has been done related to those possible improvements.

**Fiscal & Policy Implications**

Council acted earlier this year to allocate additional funding to the Safe Streets, Early Action Investments fund sufficient to cover this expenditure.

**Alternatives**

<i>Options</i>	<i>Results</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adopt the Resolution</li> </ul>	The Mayor will execute the contract with Transpo Group
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reject the Resolution</li> </ul>	The contract will not be executed

**Staff Recommendation**

Move to adopt Resolution 24-1974/Authorizing the Mayor to sign a contract with Transpo Group to conduct a Traffic Safety Study.