



# CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK

## CITY COUNCIL

### AGENDA COVER SHEET

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<b>Meeting Date</b>	February 8, 2024
<b>Originating Department</b>	Public Works
<b>Contact Person</b>	Phillip Hill, City Administrator Jeff Perrigo, Public Works Director
<b>Title</b>	Speed study for SR 522 & SR 104

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#### Legislative History

- First Presentation – February 8, 2024, Regular City Council Meeting
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#### Attachments:

1. Transpo Group USA, Inc. Scope of Work and Fee Estimate
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#### Executive Summary

At the council meeting on December 14, 2023, the administration was directed to engage the Transpo Group to provide a scope and fee estimate to conduct a speed study for State Routes 104 and 522 and report to the council within 60 days.

This effort is estimated to involve 102 hours for a total estimated fee of \$21,000.

#### Background

The council and the administration have made several requests to WSDOT to reduce the speed limits on SR 522 and SR 104 to increase safety and provide consistency within those corridors. WSDOT recently completed a study of the SR 522 corridor, resulting in a speed reduction in Kenmore. WSDOT's review of this same data led them to conclude that the same reduction was not warranted in LFP. The administration engaged Transpo Group to review this data, and their finding was that the data supports reducing the speed to 35 mph through LFP.

Since the December meeting, the administration submitted Transpo's findings and a letter requesting a meeting with WSDOT to discuss those findings. On January 5, 2024, Chief Harden received a letter from WSDOT requesting concurrence to reduce the speed limit on SR 104 from 40 mph to 35 mph from roughly 19<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE to 35 Ave. NE, and on SR 522 from NE 145<sup>th</sup> to 38<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE.

WSDOT has also conveyed to Director Perrigo that the remainder of SR 522 would be reconsidered following the completion of the Sound Transit BRT improvements and that SR 104 will be considered for further speed reduction following WSDOT's corridor improvements, tentatively scheduled for 2026.

### **Fiscal & Policy Implications**

The \$21,000 cost of this study would be paid for out of the Traffic Calming budget. This amount is within the contract signing authority of the mayor.

### **Staff Recommendation**

Provide direction to the administration on whether to proceed with the proposed study.