



Lasher to School St - SRTS

Description:

This project adds a sidewalk to the north side of upper Lasher Street, and a crossing with flashing beacons at the intersection of School Street and the Stevenson Elementary School entrance. The application for a Safe Routes to School (SRTS) grant (\$800k limit for 100% grant) was submitted on June 6th and we expect to hear back on the project ranking by the end of the year. Grants are awarded in the summer of 2023.

Additional improvements will be included in funding applications for additional stormwater, street and sidewalk infrastructure for lower Lasher and the south side of Jefferson Avenue. These will be applied for after the SRTS grant is received.

Lasher Street to Stevenson Elementary (Phase 1) 2022 Concept-Level SRTS Grant Proposal Details



TIP Year: 2023-2024 (all) **Project Type:** Improvements **Project Cost:** \$950k **Funding:** 85% Grant

Average Priority Score from Workshop: 4.6 (high)

Workshop Comment Summary:

- Question/concerns about delineators getting ran over by new drivers.
- Gave high scores for kids and safety.
- Should be a high priority.
- Crosswalk at school entrance is the most important item in this TIP. Should be raised.
- 100% state funding
- Heavy traveled roads
- Recommend prioritizing this project.
- Yes, protect the children.
- Looks good! Coordinate with the school district on the option they want.

Additional Comments Received:

"I am writing to you about the proposed sidewalk along Lasher and Jefferson. First, let me thank you for communicating the plan with city residents using the postal mailer.



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I am a home owner and full time city resident on the corner of Jefferson and Lasher. I fully support the sidewalk proposal.

Along with providing safe walking for school children, many of us in the neighborhood walk these streets for exercise and would also benefit from sidewalk access.

As a city resident directly impacted by the proposal, I would like to know if the city would consider additional project requirements:

1. Garbage cans located along Lasher, Vancouver and Jefferson.
2. Plastic bag dispensers for dog owners to use to clean up after their dogs.
3. Speed bump along Lasher.

There is a lot of garbage along Lasher and at the intersection of Vancouver Ave and Lasher. I pick it up monthly. The garbage never stops.

There is also a tremendous amount of dog feces on the east side of Lasher between Vancouver and Jefferson. My neighbors have been picking this up as the feces finds it's way onto the road. With a new sidewalk, if current behavior persists, the sidewalk will be a mess.

And finally, Lasher is a bit of a speedway. Those of us who live next to or along Lasher are keenly aware of this. A speed bump similar to what exists on Rock Creek Dr at the intersection of Skamania Lodge would be very much appreciated.

Given the construction requirements to put in sidewalk, curb and gutter, new storm drains, etc., this is a perfect opportunity to address these other issues that are present in this area at little cost to the overall project, but big impact to those in the immediate vicinity."