



REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Title: Request for Council Action – Approving a Contract with ODOT for the Mountain View Road Multi-Use Path Project

Preferred Agenda: May 26, 2026

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Type of Action: Motion Resolution Reading

Relevant Code/Policy: FY 2026-2027 City Council Goals

Towards Council Goal: Desirable Community

Attachments: ODOT-Sweet Home Mountain View Multi-Use Path Agreement

Purpose of this RCA:

The purpose of this RCA is to request City Council approval of a contract with the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) to begin the preliminary engineering phase of the Mountain View Multi-Use Path project.

Background/Context:

In 2024, the City of Sweet Home was selected to receive funding through the Oregon Department of Transportation for the Mountain View Multi-Use Path project. ODOT performed project scoping in 2025 and refined the scope based on available funding for an estimated project total cost of \$1,950,000. The project will span four years from preliminary engineering to construction beginning in Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

The Challenge/Problem:

The project area is adjacent to Sweet Home Junior High School (between 22nd Avenue and Ames Creek Road) and is a high pedestrian area with no pedestrian infrastructure across from the school. The establishment of a multi-use path will improve safety and accessibility in the area.

The City must enter into an agreement with ODOT in order for work to begin on the project. The City does not have sufficient budgetary capacity in its Transportation Fund to complete the project independently.

Issues and Financial Impacts:

A local match is required; the City's requirement for the preliminary engineering phase is \$29,269.50. The City's total required match across the four project years is estimated to total \$200,265.00, which is already programmed in the City's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) in the FY 2026-2027 budget.

Elements of a Stable Solution:

Approval of an agreement that limits the funding liability to the City while delivery safety improvements within the project area.

Options:

1. Do nothing: The City will not move forward with the Mountain View Multi-Use Path Project.
2. Move to approve the contract as proposed: Direct the City Manager to execute the contract and begin the preliminary engineering phase of the project.
3. Move to approve the contract with amendments: Staff will approach ODOT with proposed amendments as specified by City Council.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends option #2: Move to approve the contract as proposed.