



CITY OF TUALATIN

Staff Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

THROUGH: Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

FROM: Mike McCarthy, City Engineer
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DATE: July 14, 2025

SUBJECT:

Discussion of the potential jurisdictional transfer of the eastern half of SW 65th Ave from Clackamas County

RECOMMENDATION:

Consider accepting the jurisdictional transfer of SW 65th Ave from Clackamas County and provide direction to staff.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The western half of SW 65th Ave (from Nyberg Creek to Interstate 205) is owned by Washington County and the eastern half is owned by Clackamas County. Washington County maintains both halves of the road through an intergovernmental agreement with Clackamas County.

Clackamas County has offered to transfer ownership of the 0.65-mile section of SW 65th Ave to the City of Tualatin in exchange for \$750,000. Clackamas County has expressed that the \$750,000 should be used for the 65th & Borland Improvement Project that the City is currently managing.

Staff is presenting this work session item for the City Council to discuss if it is in the best interest of the City to acquire this half of 65th Ave. If the Council agrees with the jurisdictional transfer, staff will work with Clackamas County staff to facilitate the process. Next steps could include Clackamas County authorizing transfer of their portion of the roadway to the City of Tualatin at which point the Council could authorize the City Manager to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with Clackamas County to accept the roadway.

OUTCOMES OF DECISION:

The City of Tualatin would own the eastern half of SW 65 Ave from Nyberg St to Interstate-205, not including the bridges on either end, and would be given \$750,000 for the 65th & Borland Improvements Project.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

The City would gain \$750,000 dollars if it accepts ownership of Clackamas County's half of the road. Washington County has expressed interest in having the existing intergovernmental agreement remain as is, with Washington County still maintaining both halves of the roadway. However, should this agreement change, the City of Tualatin could be responsible for maintenance costs for the eastern half of the roadway. Per Washington County, the average pavement condition index (PCI) is 83, meaning this portion of 65th Avenue is currently in good pavement condition, with the next pavement overlay likely needed in several years.

ATTACHMENTS:

- PowerPoint Presentation