

TO: City Council  
FROM: Mary Heather Ames, Transportation Manager  
DATE: April 5, 2022  
SUBJECT: Interagency Agreement with WSDOT for Material Testing

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1) Recommended Action:

Staff recommends City Council make a motion authorizing the Mayor to sign a Reimbursable Agreement for State Materials Lab Engineering and/or Testing Services with the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT).

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2) Background:

Work incorporated into City projects requires verification by visual inspection and material testing to ensure the work and material meet standards. Staff completes most of the inspections and the City utilizes private consultants to conduct material testing. Occasionally, the City utilizes the WSDOT Materials Laboratory for specialized testing services such as signal cabinet testing prior to installation. These services are usually provided under a project specific Local Agency Agreement associated with a project receiving state or federal grant funding. This 10-year renewable agreement will serve the same purpose when there is no state or federal funding in a project.

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3) Policy Support:

C. Create and Maintain a Transportation System Safe for All Modes of Travel

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4) Alternatives:

- ☐ Do not authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement and contract with another local agency for the services.
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5) Fiscal Notes:

None resulting from this action; there is no financial commitment associated with the Agreement itself absent a City request for service, which will be on an as-needed basis. Expenses will be project billable and reimbursable to WSDOT at their rates current at the time services are provided.

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6) Attachments:

A. Reimbursable Agreement for State Materials Lab Engineering and/or Testing Services