

TO: Public Works Committee  
FROM: Dan Smith, Water Resources & Sustainability Director  
DATE: May 19, 2022  
SUBJECT: Interlocal Agreement Between the City of Tumwater and the Washington Department of Transportation for Maintenance of Palermo Treatment Lagoon

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1) Recommended Action:

Staff requests the Public Works Committee recommend the City Council make a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Tumwater and the Washington Department of Transportation for maintenance of the Palermo Treatment Lagoon.

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2) Background:

The Palermo Treatment Lagoon serves to further treat surface waters effected by contaminants associated with the "Palermo Superfund" site. Since the late 1990's when contamination was discovered at the Palermo Wellfield through its Wellhead Protection Program, the City has cooperated with various agencies, such as the US Environmental Protection Agency and WA Department of Ecology to support clean-up efforts and protect drinking water, and remains responsible for routine maintenance within the Palermo neighborhood. The WA Department of Transportation (WSDOT) is now the primary responsible for clean-up efforts.

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3) Policy Support:

- Be a leader in Environmental Sustainability: Reduce ground and surface water impacts associated with street and freeway runoff and urban activity
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4) Alternatives:

- ☐ No alternatives identified; maintenance is necessary to maintain adequate levels of treatment.
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5) Fiscal Notes:

This agreement provides for 100% reimbursement of third party costs for clean-up efforts, not expected to exceed \$100,000.00. As the City is required to provide routine maintenance, which includes management of the Palermo Treatment Lagoon, the City agreed to provide project management at no additional cost to WSDOT.

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6) Attachments:

- A. Interlocal Agreement – Maintenance of Palermo Treatment Lagoon
- B. Scope of Services