

TO: Public Works Committee  
FROM: Chuck Denney, Parks & Recreation Director  
DATE: January 5, 2023  
SUBJECT: Grant Agreement with the Department of Ecology for the Golf Course Parking Lot Stormwater Retrofit Design

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1) Recommended Action:

Staff requests Public Works Committee recommend the City Council approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the Grant Agreement with the Department of Ecology for the Golf Course Parking Lot Stormwater Retrofit Design.

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2) Background:

The City of Tumwater received a grant from the Department of Ecology to design and construct a system to treat stormwater runoff from the Tumwater Valley Golf Course parking lot. Currently, rain water that runs off the parking lot goes directly into the Deschutes River untreated. New studies have shown that chemicals found in tire dust create toxic water for coho salmon, a species that has been struggling to survive in the Deschutes River. This funding would allow Tumwater to construct a bioretention facility to treat that water, meeting requirements for both the Salmon-Safe certification at the golf course and compliance requirements related to repaving the parking lot this summer.

Parks will be working with Skillings Inc., to complete the design and permitting phases of this project. Skillings Inc. previously completed a feasibility study in the fall of 2021 at this site and have the experience and technical ability to be great partners for this work.

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3) Policy Support:

Strategic Priority B – Be a Leader in Environmental Sustainability

- Include environmental protection in City projects

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4) Alternatives:

☐ Request changes to the proposed grant agreement.

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5) Fiscal Notes:

The City of Tumwater received a \$123,717.33 grant from the Department of Ecology. The City will contribute the 25% match (\$92,788.00) for the design and construction of this project. Design and permitting work is expected to cost \$89,409.00.

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6) Attachments:

A. Grant Agreement with the Department of Ecology for the Golf Course Parking Lot Stormwater Design Retrofit