

TO: City Council
FROM: Ryan Blaser, Engineer III
DATE: May 6, 2025
SUBJECT: Grant Agreement Amendment No. 1 with Washington Recreation & Conservation Office for the Percival Creek Project

1) Recommended Action:

Authorize the Mayor to sign the Grant Agreement Amendment No. 1 for the Percival Creek Project, with Washington Recreation & Conservation Office (RCO).

The agreement was recommended for approval on the consent calendar at the April 17, 2025 Public Works Committee Meeting.

2) Background:

The City has secured construction funding for a fish barrier removal project on Percival Creek. This project will remove the existing fish passage barrier by installing a large concrete box culvert and other site improvements. These improvements will restore access to 2,225 meters of main stream habitat, 841 square meters of spawning habitat, and 82,008 square meters of rearing habitat in cool water for Chinook, chum, coho, steelhead, sea run cutthroat, and resident trout.

The original grant agreement with RCO paid the City 15% of every dollar expended for construction. This amendment revises that agreement to pay the City 85% of every dollar expended during construction, up to the grant amount of \$257,550. Overall, this amendment allows the City to utilize the grant quicker during the construction process.

This amendment will not change the grant amounts, deliverables, or timeline of the project.

3) Policy Support:

Strategic Priorities and Goals 2025 – 2026:

Be a Leader in Environmental Health and Sustainability – Improve overall habitat and water quality by assessing fish passages, removing obstructions, converting urban-density septic systems, and collaborating with area Tribes.

4) Alternatives:

☐ Do not recommend for approval and authorization

5) Fiscal Notes:

Project construction will be funded in part by a federal grant (Promoting Resilient Operations

for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-saving Transportation Program [PROTECT]) totaling \$2,000,000 and a state grant (Salmon Recovery Funding Board [SRFB]) totaling \$257,550; for a total of \$2,257,550.

6) Attachments:

- A. Amendment No. 1 to Grant Agreement with RCO
- B. Original RCO Grant Agreement