# **City of Tumwater**

# Transportation Benefit District 2024 Annual Report

# **Reporting Requirements**

RCW 36.73.160(2) - A district shall issue an annual report, indicating the status of transportation improvement costs, transportation improvement expenditures, revenues, and construction schedules, to the public and to newspapers of record in the district.



Transportation & Engineering Department

# Transportation Benefit District

# **Annual Report Statement**

The City of Tumwater is pleased to present its Transportation Benefit District (TBD) 2024 Annual Report. This report is written to summarize 2024 revenues and expenditures associated with TBD funds and project schedule updates. All revenues and expenditure summaries within this report are up to date as of December 31, 2024.

### **Background**

The Tumwater City Council created the Tumwater Transportation Benefit District (TBD), a quasi-municipal taxing jurisdiction authorized by State law to fund street maintenance. In 2014, Tumwater voters approved a sales tax increase of 0.2% (two-tenths of one percent) for ten years to fund street maintenance projects within the City limits. Revenues collected from this additional sales tax levy are held in separate accounts and used only for authorized street maintenance projects.

In a special election on April 22, 2025, Tumwater voters approved renewing the measure for another ten years.

#### **Governance**

The City Council governs the Transportation Benefit District, including oversight of activities, expenditures, and revenues. Business for the Tumwater Transportation Benefit District takes place during City Council meetings.

### Why was the TBD Established?

City street infrastructure is aging, and funding is needed for street and sidewalk maintenance. Transportation infrastructure is one of the City's most valuable investments, and deferred maintenance drives repair costs higher. Costs continue to rise, making it difficult for the City to adequately preserve and maintain streets and sidewalks.

# **Prior Projects Funded by TBD**

2023 Pavement Maintenance Project
2021 Pavement Maintenance Project
2020 Citywide NHS Resurfacing Project
2019 Chip Seal Project
2018 Pavement Maintenance Project
2017 Pavement Maintenance Project
2016 Chip Seal & Crack Seal Project

#### 2024 Pavement Maintenance Project

A pavement maintenance project was not programmed for 2024 due to staffing levels and in order to strategically build up the TBD fund balance. The increased fund balance will allow the City to pursue larger projects in 2025, resulting in greater return on investment for the community. Planning work continued, including review and prioritization in the City's pavement management system.

#### 2024 Israel Road and Linderson Way Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements

The Israel Road and Linderson Way Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements Project entailed replacing sidewalks, curb ramps and driveways; extending bike lanes; and installing pedestrian features to create safer routes for walking and bicycling between Tumwater High School, Timberland Library, state agencies, and city offices.

Funding from Tumwater's Transportation Benefit District served as a local match to secure federal grants totaling \$903,700 to complete this project.



# **TBD Dollars at Work**













# **TBD Project Construction Schedule**

2024-2025 Linwood Avenue Sidewalk, Susitna Lane to 2nd Avenue 2025 Pavement Maintenance Project

# **TBD Leverage Strategy**

The City continues to use the strategy of leveraging future TBD funds as local match when applying for federal funds. Each time we are successful, the planned pavement management program grows in size and allows other transportation items to be addressed including curb ramps, audible pedestrian systems, and traffic signal upgrades.

#### **TBD Finances**

The following schedule of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance summarizes TBD finances for the Fiscal Year 2024:

#### 2024 Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

City of Tumwater, Washington

### **Transportation Benefit District**

Year Ended December 31, 2024

#### Revenues

TBD Sales and Use Tax, 0.2%	\$ 2,372,508.00
Investment Earning	\$ 252,256.00
Total Revenues	\$ 2,624,764.00

#### **Expenditures**

Administration & Financial Services Support	\$ 10,400.00
Planning and Design	\$ 210,790.00
Studies	\$ 0
Construction	\$ 2,788,333.00
Total Expenditures	\$ 3,009,523.00

#### **Summary**

Net Changes in Fund Balance	\$ (384,759.00)
Beginning Fund Balance	\$ 4,085,550.00

# Ending Fund Balance \$3,700,791.00

# **Tumwater City Council**

Debbie Sullivan, Mayor

Leatta Dahlhoff, Mayor Pro Tem | Peter Agabi, Councilmember | Joan Cathey, Councilmember | Michael Althauser, Councilmember Angela Jefferson, Councilmember | Kelly Von Holtz, Councilmember | Eileen Swarthout, Councilmember