

TO: Public Works Committee
FROM: Don Carney, Capital Projects Manager
DATE: January 6, 2022
SUBJECT: Tumwater Hill Park Trail - Crosby Connector; Authority to Solicit Bids and Recommend Award of Contract

1) Recommended Action:

Staff requests that the Public Works Committee authorize staff to solicit bids for construction of the Tumwater Hill Park Trail - Crosby Connector project and recommend the City Council make a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign a public works contract with the lowest responsible bidder.

2) Background:

The Tumwater Hill Park Trail – Crosby Connector project is a 1,200 linear foot, switchback style pedestrian trail that meanders up a densely forested hill on 30% grade. The trail would connect Crosby Boulevard (near Crosby Court SW) with the existing trail system from Tumwater Hill Park (at Ridgeview Court SW). In 2020, the original vision of the trail was five-foot-wide wood chip trail with excavation into the hillside. A geotechnical report later determined the excavation needed to be minimized to ensure slope stability. Engineering staff redesigned the trail as a five-foot-wide gravel trail with timber supported switchbacks.

The Engineer's estimate for the trail project is \$197,467.

3) Policy Support:

City of Tumwater Strategic Priorities and Goals 2021-2026 has identified the following goals to prioritize pedestrian trail projects:

- B. Build a Community Recognized for Quality, Compassion and Humanity
 - C. Create and Maintain a Transportation System Safe for All Modes of Travel
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4) Alternatives:

- ☐ Do not authorize staff to solicit bids and request staff redesign the project.
 - ☐ Do not authorize staff to solicit bids and cancel project.
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5) Fiscal Notes:

Funding for the project will come from Park Impact Fees.

6) Attachments:

- A. Vicinity Map
- B. Trail Design