

MEETING MINUTES

TUMWATER PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 6, 2025



CONVENE: 8:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Chair Eileen Swarthout and Councilmember Angela Jefferson

Excused: Councilmember Michael Althausen

Staff: Transportation & Engineering Deputy Director Jeff Cook, Water Resources Specialist Grant Gilmore, Transportation & Engineering Director Brandon Hicks, Water Resources & Sustainability Deputy Director Tyle Zuchowski, Parks & Recreation Director Chuck Denney, City Attorney Karen Kirkpatrick, Water Resources & Sustainability Program Manager Patrick Soderberg, Finance Director Troy Niemeyer, Senior Engineer Joseph Norman, Engineer III Ryan Blaser, City Administrator Lisa Parks, Community Engagement Specialist Marnie McGrath and Administrative Assistant Kelly Quiroz

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Councilmember Swarthout moved, seconded by Councilmember Jefferson, to approve the minutes of October 23, 2025 as presented. A voice vote approved the motion.

LAND LICENSE WITH EARTHSCOPE CONSORTIUM, INC FOR GPS STATION AT TUMWATER HILL PARK: Director Denney gave a brief overview of our land license with EarthScope Consortium, Inc. He explained that after the 2007 earthquake in Washington State, the City was approached by the U.S. Geological Survey to install a monitoring station on Tumwater Hill to monitor ground shifts over time. This lease expires at the end of 2025 and needs to be renewed.

MOTION: Councilmember Swarthout moved, seconded by Councilmember Jefferson, to place the Land License with EarthScope Consortium, Inc for GPS Station at Tumwater Hill

Park on the November 18, 2025, City Council consent calendar with a recommendation to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign. A voice vote approved the motion unanimously.

**SUPPLEMENTAL
AGREEMENT WITH
SCJ ALLIANCE FOR
THE 1-5 & SR 121-
93RD AVE SE
INTERCHANGE
IMPROVEMENTS
STUDY PROJECT
AMENDMENT NO. 1:
MOTION:**

Deputy Director Cook presented a supplemental agreement amendment number one with SCJ Alliance for the I-5 and SR 121 – 93rd Avenue SE Interchange improvements study. He explained that the subject matter expert for the study no longer works for SCJ Alliance, so to retain him the amendment is required. There are no added costs to the amendment.

Councilmember Jefferson moved, seconded by Councilmember Swarthout, to place the Supplemental Agreement No. 1 with SCJ Alliance for the 1-5 & SR 121-93rd Ave SE Interchange Improvements Study project on the November 18, 2025 City Council consent calendar with a recommendation to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign. A voice vote approved the motion unanimously.

**SERVICE PROVIDER
AGREEMENT WITH
SARGENT ENGINEERS
FOR ON-CALL
ENGINEERING
SERVICES
AMENDMENT NO. 1:**

Engineer Blaser explained that the purpose of this amendment is to extend the on-call contract with Sargent Engineers until December 31, 2026, and increase the not-to-exceed amount to \$140,000. This agreement provides bridge maintenance for projects throughout the City.

MOTION:

Councilmember Jefferson moved, seconded by Councilmember Swarthout, to place the Service Provider Agreement with Sargent Engineers for On-Call Engineering Services Amendment No. 1 on the City Council consent calendar on November 18, 2025, with a recommendation for the Mayor to sign. A voice vote approved the motion unanimously.

**SERVICE PROVIDER
AGREEMENT WITH
STANTEC FOR THE
PIONEER PARK
RESTORATION**

Program Manager Gilmore explained that the purpose of this project is to reduce sediment load from the Deschutes River. This amendment allocates existing funds, within the Phase 1 project budget cycle, to include two additional tasks that were not included in the original scope of work. This fourth amendment

PROJECT AMENDMENT 4: adds \$48,417.00 to the existing contract, bringing the project total to \$442,401.00.

MOTION: Councilmember Swarthout moved, seconded by Councilmember Jefferson, to place the Amendment 4 of the Service Provider Agreement with Stantec for the Pioneer Park Restoration Project on the Nov 18, 2025 City Council consent calendar with a recommendation to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign. A voice vote approved the motion unanimously.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS: Administrator Parks let the Committee know that the December 16, 2025, meeting will not be cancelled.

ADJOURNMENT: With there being no further business, Chair Swarthout adjourned the meeting at 8:25 a.m.

Prepared by Kelly Quiroz, Administrative Assistant