

**CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM**  
CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

<b>AGENDA TITLE:</b>	Authorize the City Manager to Sign a Grant Agreement with the Department of Ecology for the Local Government Stormwater Grants Program
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b>	Public Works
<b>PRESENTED BY:</b>	Mark Relph, Public Works Director Jesus Sanchez, Operations Manager Jerry Shuster, Surface Water & Environmental Services Manager

**PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT:**

The National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) is a Federally mandated clean water program that requires the City to obtain an NPDES Phase II permit from Washington's Department of Ecology (Ecology) to maintain its storm water program in a manner that reduces the discharge of pollutants to the maximum extent practicable; protects water quality; and satisfies the requirements of the Clean Water Act.

On March 3, 2003, Council approved the City's application for an NPDES Phase II permit. The permit was issued on January 17, 2007, and became effective February 16, 2007 for a period of 5 years. The various permit requirements are being phased in over the permit term.

To assist the City with implementation of the NPDES Phase II permit, Ecology is offering funding under the Local Government Stormwater Grants Program to eligible municipalities. The goal of the grant program is to improve stormwater management and water quality protection associated with development and implementation of a stormwater management program.

The grant will be used to update the City's stormwater code, manual, and other administrative documents to match requirements in the NPDES Phase II permit. The grant application was submitted in September 2007 and the City was awarded \$75,000. Ecology has sent the City a grant agreement, it has been reviewed and approved by the City Attorney.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The \$75,000 is new revenue that will be added to the 2007 budget for Surface Water Operations and will be included in a 2007 budget amendment.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that Council authorize the City Manager sign the grant agreement with the Ecology for \$75,000 from the Local Government Stormwater Grants Program.

Approved By:      City Manager  City Attorney \_\_\_\_\_