

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM
CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE: Motion to Authorize the City Manager to Obligate \$371,950 of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Grant Funds for the NE195th Separated Trail Project
DEPARTMENT: Public Works
PRESENTED BY: Tricia Juhnke, City Engineer
ACTION: <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion

PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT:

Staff is requesting that Council authorize the City Manager to execute a Local Agency Agreement with the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) to obligate \$371,950 of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) grant funding for the construction of the NE 195th Separated Trail Project.

In accordance with the City's purchasing policies, Council authorization is required for staff to obligate grant funds exceeding \$50,000. Additionally, the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) requires formal authorization of their contracts prior to execution. WSDOT administers federal funds awarded to the City of Shoreline.

RESOURCE/FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The 2013-2018 Capital Improvement Program includes \$430,000 for the NE 195th Separated Trail project. The project is funded through \$371,950 in Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) grant funding and \$58,050 from the Trail Corridors Parks Bond program as a City match for the project.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that Council authorize the City Manager to execute a Local Agency Agreement to obligate grant funds totaling \$371,950 for the NE195th Separated Trail project including authorization of the Project Prospectus and any addendums or supplements required by the Washington Department of Transportation.

Approved By: City Manager **JU** City Attorney **IS**

INTRODUCTION

The City was awarded a federal grant for installation of a separated trail on NE 195th from 1st Ave NE to 5th Ave NE as a key connection between the Interurban and Burke-Gilman Trails. Staff is requesting Council to authorize the City Manager to obligate these funds with the Washington State Department of Transportation.

BACKGROUND

In 2008, the City of Shoreline completed construction of the entire section of the Interurban Trail that runs north and south through the City of Shoreline. While this provides a valuable connection for users traveling north/south through Shoreline, it is missing a connection to the Burke-Gilman Trail. The City has collaborated with the City of Lake Forest Park to identify northern and southern routes to connect the Interurban Trail and the Burke-Gilman Trail. The 2011 Shoreline Transportation Master Plan formally recognized the northern route and rated it as a high priority community need.

This northern route follows N/NE 195th from the Interurban Trail to the East to the pedestrian bridge crossing I-5 to the West. In 2011, a separated trail was constructed in unimproved Right-of-Way between Meridian Ave N and 1st Ave NE. This project will continue the separated trail from 1st Ave NE to 5th Ave NE along the north side of the existing Right-of-Way and adjacent to the Holyrood Cemetery. This is the last section of separated trail identified for the northern route. Additional improvements for the remainder of the Interurban-Burke Gilman northern connection include elements such as striping/traffic markings and signage.

COUNCIL GOAL ADDRESSED

This project addresses Goal 2, Improve Shoreline's utility, transportation, and environmental infrastructure.

RESOURCE/FINANCIAL IMPACT

This project is funded as follows:

Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality	\$371,950
Parks Bond (Trail Corridors)	\$58,050
Total Project	\$430,000

A no action alternative would include not entering the grant agreement and returning the identified funding to the State; doing so would result in either not constructing the project or identifying other revenue sources to fund the project.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Vicinity Map

ATTACHMENT A

**Separated Trail,
1st to 5th Ave
NE along 195th**

*Holyrood
Cemetery*

*N 195th
St Trail*

1ST AVE NE

5TH AVE NE

NE 195TH ST

NE 194TH ST

3RD AVE NE

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NE 193RD ST