

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM
CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE: North City Business District/15th Avenue Corridor Project
DEPARTMENT: Public Works
PRESENTED BY: Jan Knudson, Project Lead/Economic Development Coordinator
Joe Giacobazzi, Principal, KPG, Inc.

PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT: On January 21, 2003, staff provided Council an update of the North City Business District /15th Avenue Corridor Improvement Project. At that meeting, several questions arose regarding the three-lane configuration of 15th Ave, potential traffic diversions and the street section through the North City Business District (NCBD). Tonight, Joe Giacobazzi from KPG, Inc., the consulting engineering firm for the Project, will brief Council on answers to these questions.

BACKGROUND: At the January 21 meeting, specific questions from Council and the community included:

- Is there any new information that says the City should not go forward with a three-lane configuration of 15th Ave. NE?
- What are the current traffic volumes on 15th Ave and will traffic divert into the adjacent neighborhoods? How many cars will divert? Where will they go?
- How is the City handling the mitigation of these diverted trips?
- Can the parking lanes be converted during peak hours?

In addition to these questions related to traffic, Council clearly stated its first priority in design and construction is the NCBD. Council reiterated its desire to place the priority schedule on this part of the project. Joe Giacobazzi will provide information to help clarify these questions.

As a reminder, the City will be hosting an Open House on Wednesday, February 12, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at the Bethel Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall located at N 175th and 8th NE. After public input, staff will return to Council with a recommended construction package and amendment to KPG's contract to complete project design on February 24 for Council approval.

RECOMMENDATION

No action is required at this time. This item is for information only.

Approved By: City Manager RJD City Attorney N/P

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