Council Meeting Date: February 28, 2005 Agenda Item: 7(c)

## **CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM**

CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE: Motion to Authorize the City Manager to (1) Execute a Nickel Gas

Tax Agreement to obligate \$10,026,000 of funding for the Aurora

Corridor Project (Phases I & II), and (2) Execute a General

Maintenance Agreement for the Aurora Corridor Project (Phase I)

with the Washington State Department of Transportation

**DEPARTMENT:** Public Works

PRESENTED BY: Kirk McKinley, Aurora Corridor Project Manager

PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT: Staff is requesting that Council authorize the City Manager to 1) execute a Nickel Gas Tax Agreement to obligate \$10,026,000 of funding for the Aurora Corridor Project (Phases I &II), and 2) execute a General Maintenance Agreement for Phase I of the Aurora Corridor Project. The Aurora Corridor Project is identified, as the No. 1 Goal in the Council's 2004 –2005 Work Plan.

## Nickel Gas Tax Agreement (GCA - 4181)

The Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) has agreed to contribute construction funding to the City's Aurora Corridor Project (145<sup>th</sup> Street to 205th Street). The construction improvements include, but are not limited to improvement of pedestrian and vehicle safety, pedestrian and disabled access by adding two through lanes and a Business Access/Transit (BAT) lane in each direction at the curb, addition of curb and gutter, landscaping/street furnishings, sidewalks, traffic signals, improvement of transit stops with new shelters and new street lighting, under-grounding utilities, improving existing storm water drainage system including water quality improvements, and improvements at major intersections to improve east-west traffic flow.

Other pertinent information pertaining to these funds include the following:

- These funds derive from the Nickel Gas Tax and will be provided to the City in three biennium's (2003 –2005, 2005 – 2007 and 2007 – 2009).
- All progress billings must be submitted to WSDOT prior to June 30, 2009 (the 2007-2009 biennium end).
- The City shall complete and submit a General Permit to WSDOT prior to prosecuting any work completed within the state-owned right of way.
- The agreement between the City and WSDOT may be amended or supplemented only in writing by both parties.
- In accordance with purchasing policies, Council authorization is required in order for staff to obligate grant funds exceeding \$50,000.

## **General Maintenance Agreement (GM 1413)**

A General Maintenance Agreement between the City and WSDOT requires execution because the City is proposing to install Portland Concrete Cement Pavement (PCCP) crosswalks and bus zones with a textured finish at the intersections and other sites rather than using asphalt concrete pavement. The State requires that cities maintain these higher level improvements.

The agreement requires the City of Shoreline to be responsible for:

- Routine maintenance and operation of the crosswalks and bus zones as identified in the agreement.
- Ensuring that emergency maintenance and operation will be consistent with the terms of the agreement.
- Replacement work for repairs caused by deterioration or caused by accidents, vandalism, adverse weather or unanticipated forces or actions.
- Implementing and maintaining necessary traffic control while making any repairs.
- Notifying WSDOT within 24 hours of the replacement or repair work as to any relevant information the City may possess if the damage was caused by a third party.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** The Aurora Corridor Project is identified in the City's 2005 –2010 Capital Improvement Program (CIP). Based on the WSDOT contribution of \$10,026,00, staff has programmed \$2,582,744 in Phase I and the remaining \$7,443,256 in Phase II of the project. These funds must be used in the construction phase of the project and can be used as matching funds.

## RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that Council Authorize the City Manager to (1) Execute a Nickel Gas Tax Agreement to obligate \$10,026,000 of funding for the Aurora Corridor Project (Phases I & II), and (2) Execute a General Maintenance Agreement for the Aurora Corridor Project (Phase I) with the Washington State Department of Transportation.

Approved By: City Manager City Attorney