

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM
CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE:	Motion to Authorize the City Manager to execute a Local Agency Agreement and Project Prospectus obligating federal grant monies for design of the Richmond Beach Overcrossing bridge replacement project
DEPARTMENT:	Public Works
PRESENTED BY:	Paul S. Haines, Public Works Director

PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT: The 2003-2008 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) adopted by Council includes the Richmond Beach Overcrossing project. This project involves replacing the existing, deteriorating timber structure over the Burlington Northern Railroad with a concrete structure and is scheduled to begin design this summer. Staff applied for and received Federal Bridge Replacement funds and is requesting Council to authorize the City Manager to execute a Local Agency Agreement and Project Prospectus to obligate these funds in order for staff to begin the design phase. Following obligation of the funds and the consultant selection process, staff will return to Council requesting authorization to award a design contract. Staff will request a similar authorization from Council for the right of way and construction phases as needed.

ALTERNATIVES ANALYZED: The alternatives identified included rehabilitating the existing timber structure; however, the Bridge Replacement Advisory Committee (BRAC) recommended replacement of the bridge with a concrete structure. The alternative to do nothing is not recommended due to the physically deteriorated condition of the bridge, the existing weight restriction (structurally deficient), and long-term maintenance costs.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: The design budget from the 2003-2008 CIP adopted by Council is \$275,000 and is scheduled now through 2005. The funding participation for this project is 80% federal funds from the Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Program (HBRRP) and 20% local funds via the Roads Capital Fund. Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad has committed to work cooperatively with the City in determining the Railroad's financial obligation.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that Council authorize the City Manager to execute a Local Agency Agreement and Project Prospectus obligating federal grant monies for design of the Richmond Beach Overcrossing bridge replacement project.

Approved By: City Manager  City Attorney 

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