



Memorandum

Date: 3/4/2025
Meeting of: City Council

File No. AM No. 25-015
Type: Consent Item

TO: Members of the City Council
FROM: Mayor Angela Birney
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TITLE:

Approval of the Addition of the 148th Ave NE Safety Corridor Project to CIP and Acceptance of Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Grant Funding

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:

The City has been awarded \$1,518,000 in Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funds from WSDOT's City Safety Program for the 148th Ave NE Safety Corridor Project, which is identified as a priority project in the Local Road Safety Plan. This safety work is complementary to the Multimodal Overlake Access (MOVA) project being funded through Move Ahead Washington funding.

☒ **Additional Background Information/Description of Proposal Attached**

REQUESTED ACTION:

☐ **Receive Information** ☐ **Provide Direction** ☒ **Approve**

REQUEST RATIONALE:

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**
 - Transportation Master Plan
 - TR -14 Prioritize transportation investments that reduce household transportation costs, such as investments in transit, bicycle and pedestrian system access, capacity, and safety.
 - TR- 16 Prioritize the comfort, safety, and convenience of people using pedestrian and bicycle facilities over other users of the transportation system. Establish standards for bicycle and pedestrian facilities to attract users of all ages and abilities. Prioritize improvements that address safety concerns, connect to centers or transit, create safe routes to school, and improve independent mobility for those who rely disproportionately on the pedestrian and bicycle network.

Local Road Safety Plan Recommendations for 148th Ave NE

- Candidate location for upgraded crosswalk markings
- Improvements at signalized intersections
- Add enhanced pedestrian crossings at high demand locations
- Project 2: 148th NE Safety Corridor Project
 - Replacement of all crosswalks in the corridor with high visibility markings
 - 37 total crossings throughout the project corridor
 - Signal improvements at all corridor signals (9 intersections)
 - Incorporate lead pedestrian intervals and a 3.5 ft/
- **Required:**
RCW 35A.11.040 requires Council approval to accept grant funds
- **Council Request:**
N/A
- **Other Key Facts:**
The grant award does not require local matching funds

OUTCOMES:

By adding the project to the CIP and accepting grant funds, the City will be able to complete this high priority project identified in the Local Road Safety Plan.

COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**
Public outreach will be included in the design phase of the project, as well as post construction to provide education on the changes' focus on safety
- **Outreach Methods and Results:**
Project webpage, social media
- **Feedback Summary:**
N/A

BUDGET IMPACT:

Total Cost:

Grant award \$1,518,000. Staff working on this project are funded through the adopted budget.

Approved in current biennial budget: ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

Budget Offer Number:

0000282-Street & Traffic Safety

Budget Priority:

Safe and Resilient

Other budget impacts or additional costs: ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ N/A

If yes, explain:

N/A

Funding source(s):

Grant (Highway Safety Improvement Program administered by WSDOT)

Budget/Funding Constraints:

Grant funds must be obligated by April 30, 2027

☐ **Additional budget details attached**

COUNCIL REVIEW:

Previous Contact(s)

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
2/4/2025	Committee of the Whole - Planning and Public Works	Approve

Proposed Upcoming Contact(s)

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
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Time Constraints:

Grant funds must be obligated by April 30, 2027, but staff intend to begin the project in Q1 of this year with consultant support.

ANTICIPATED RESULT IF NOT APPROVED:

If not approved, grant funds will be returned, and the project will not be implemented.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A: Award Letter

Attachment B: 148th Ave Safety Corridor Project Business Case Package