

RESOLUTION NO. M-2586

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPLY FOR A GRANT FOR THE MITIGATING COASTAL FLOOD RISKS TO STORM AND WASTEWATER SYSTEMS IN OLYMPIA WA PROJECT AND TO EXECUTE, IF AWARDED, ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO FULFILL THE TERMS OF THE GRANT

WHEREAS, the City of Olympia’s downtown core is vulnerable to the impacts from sea level rise; and

WHEREAS, to address this vulnerability, the City of Olympia, the Port of Olympia and the LOTT Clean Water Alliance jointly funded and developed the Olympia Sea Level Rise Response Plan, March 2019 and formed the Olympia Sea Level Rise Collaborative to oversee its implementation; and

WHEREAS, the Olympia Sea Level Rise Collaborative includes the State of Washington Department of Enterprise Services and the Squaxin Island Tribe as ex-officio members; and

WHEREAS, the Budd Inlet Wastewater Treatment Plant, operated by the LOTT Clean Water Alliance, is located in downtown Olympia and is at risk from increased wastewater and stormwater runoff peak flows entering a combined sewer system due to increased precipitation intensity and sea level rise; and

WHEREAS, reducing increased flows into the Budd Inlet Wastewater Treatment Plant is a critical hazard mitigation and climate resilience strategy identified in the Olympia Sea Level Rise Response Plan, the Thurston County Hazard Mitigation Plan and Olympia’s wastewater and stormwater management plans; and

WHEREAS, the Storm and Surface Water and Wastewater Utilities submitted a preapplication for the State of Washington BRIC Capability and Capacity Building Grant Program in September 2024 and was selected to submit a complete application; and

WHEREAS, the State of Washington BRIC Grant Program, if awarded to the City, will be used to evaluate the feasibility of separating portions of the combined sewer system. The total project cost is estimated at \$950,000; and

WHEREAS, the terms of the State of Washington BRIC Grant Program require 25 percent matching funds which is subject to a potential reduction to 12.5 percent. The maximum grant term is three years; and

WHEREAS, the “Resolution Designating Applicant Agent” must be submitted with the completed BRIC Grant Program Sub-Application for the Mitigating Coastal Flood Risks to Storm and Wastewater Systems in Olympia WA Project;


NOW, THEREFORE, THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL DOES HEREBY RESOLVE as follows:

1. The City’s Storm and Surface Water and Wastewater Utilities are authorized to pursue the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Grant Program offered by the State of Washington to fund an evaluation of the feasibility of separating portions of the combined sewer system and integrating green infrastructure to reduce peak flows to the Budd Inlet Treatment Plant.

2. The City agrees to comply with the terms of the State of Washington BRIC Grant Program, including providing up to 25 percent matching funds for its share of the project.

3. If the City is awarded a grant under the State of Washington BRIC Grant Program, the City Manager is authorized and directed to execute the State of Washington BRIC Grant Program Agreement on behalf of the City of Olympia, and the City Manager is further authorized and directed to execute any other documents necessary to execute said Agreement, and to make any minor modifications as may be required and are consistent with the intent of the Agreement, or to correct any scrivener's errors.

PASSED BY THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL this 10th day of December 2024.



MAYOR

ATTEST:

Sean Krier

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Mark Barber

CITY ATTORNEY