



City Council

Approval of a Resolution Authorizing a Grant and Loan Agreement with Department of Ecology for the Purchase and Operation of a Second Street Sweeper

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Title

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

City Manager Recommendation:

Move to approve a Resolution authorizing the City to execute a Washington State Department of Ecology grant and loan to fund a second street sweeper and authorizing the City Manager to sign the grant and loan agreements.

Report Issue:

Whether to approve a Resolution authorizing the execution of a water quality grant and loan to fund a second street sweeper.

Staff Contact:

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Presenter:

None - Consent Calendar Item.

Background and Analysis:

Resolution M-2076, signed December 17, 2019, authorized the Storm and Surface Water Utility to pursue a Washington State Department of Ecology Water Quality Financial Assistance Grant partnered with a Clean Water State Revolving Fund Loan. The loan fulfills the grant's 25 percent matching funds requirement. The grant and loan will fund the purchase and operation of a second street sweeper focused on sediment removal.

The Storm and Surface Water Utility applied for and has been awarded a Water Quality Financial

Assistance Grant and has been approved for a Clean Water State Revolving Fund Loan. Both the grant and loan have five-year terms with a grant requirement to sustain the program for an additional three years, for a total of eight years.

A second street sweeper is included in the City's 2021-2026 Capital Facilities Plan (CFP) and a new 0.5 full time employee (FTE) is in the 2021 budget for a street sweeper operator.

Ecology requires a signed resolution from the City Council before they will finalize and release the grant and loan agreement to the City. The resolution gives the City authority to sign the agreement once received by Ecology. No further Council approval is required for the execution of the Water Quality Financial Assistance Grant and the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Loan agreement.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

Projects to improve water quality have consistently received the support of the Utility Advisory Committee and the community.

Options:

1. Approve a Resolution authorizing the City to execute a Washington State Department of Ecology grant and loan to fund a second street sweeper and authorizing the City Manager to sign the grant and loan agreements. The City receives financial assistance in the form of a grant to offset planned expenditures for the purchase and operation of a second street sweeper.
2. Do not approve a Resolution authorizing the City to execute a Washington State Department of Ecology grant and loan to fund a second street sweeper. The City will not receive financial assistance and would need to evaluate an increase to stormwater utility rates to fund the second sweeper.

Financial Impact:

The total cost for the eight-year water quality enhanced street sweeping program is \$2,044,055. Receiving the Ecology grant and loan opportunity brings the program costs for the City to \$947,998. Storm and Surface Utility rates will cover the City's portion of the program costs.

Attachment:

Resolution