

# **City Council**

# Approval of Bid Award for the Boulevard Road Trail Crossing and Bike Corridor Project

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#### **Title**

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# Recommended Action Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

#### **City Manager Recommendation:**

Move to award the construction contract to Midway Underground, LLC, in the amount of \$617,860.50, and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract.

#### Report

#### Issue:

Whether to award the construction contract to Midway Underground, LLC, in the amount of \$617,860.50, and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract.

#### **Staff Contact:**

Jim Rioux, Project Manager, Public Works Engineering, 360.753.8484

### Presenter(s):

None - Consent Calendar Item.

#### **Background and Analysis:**

The City included this project in the Transportation Master Plan to extend the low stress bike network and address a history of pedestrian and bike collisions at the intersection of Boulevard Road and Wheeler Avenue.

The project enhances the City's low stress bike network by connecting the existing bike corridor at 7th Avenue and Wilson Street to the I-5 and Karen Fraser Woodland trails.

Intersection safety improvements include raised crossings, a median refuge island, pedestrian crossing advanced stop bars, ADA curb ramp retrofits, bicycle wayfinding signs, and buffered bike

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In 2021, Olympia received a \$893,607 grant for the design and construction of the project through the Washington State Department of Transportation's Safe Routes to School program.

## Climate Analysis:

This project supports increased use of active forms of travel by encouraging walking and biking which can reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

# **Equity Analysis:**

This project will provide improved access to the City's trail system making use of that system easier and safer for everyone who uses it. Except for temporary construction impacts there does not appear to be any indication that this project will create a burden on anyone in the community. While the project appears to be located in an area that contains lower property values and rental properties, there is no data to indicate how this project will address disparities in our community.

# Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

Public Safety -. People walking, bicycling, and driving will have significantly safer facilities in the area of the intersection of Boulevard Road and Wheeler Avenue.

Recreational Access - The Bike Corridor extension to the I-5 and Karen Fraser Woodland Trails will enhance the City's low stress trail network.

Construction Impacts - During construction, users of the trail access at Boulevard Road, as well as roadway users in the vicinity of Boulevard Road and Wheeler Avenue, will experience delays and some inconvenience due to construction activities.

Temporary Trail Access Closure - There will be a two-to-three-week closure of the access to the I-5 and Karen Fraser Woodland Trail access on Boulevard Road. The project team will employ a number of strategies to inform trail users including on-trail signage, social media, Olympia News postings and targeted e-mail notifications.

#### Options:

- 1. Award the construction contract to Midway Underground, LLC, in the amount of \$617,860.50, and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract. The project proceeds as planned.
- 2. Reject all bids and direct staff to rebid the project. The time needed to rebid will delay construction. The cost to construct the project may increase and grant funding from the Washington State Department of Transportation will be jeopardized.
- 3. Take other action.

## **Financial Impact:**

This project is identified in the Capital Facilities Plan.

#### Overall project costs:

Total Low Bid:	\$ 617,860.50
Contingency to Award (10%):	\$ 61,786.05
Engineering: Design, Inspection, Consultants	\$ 632,366.92

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Total Estimated Project Cost:	\$ 1,312,013.47
Available Project Funding:	\$ 1,529,252.34

# **Attachments:**

Summary of Bids Vicinity Map Contract