

City Council

Approval of Appropriation of Transportation Impact Fees for Right-of-Way Acquisition

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Recommended Action Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

City Manager Recommendation:

Move to approve the appropriation of transportation impact fees for acquiring right-of-way for the Log Cabin Road Extension on second reading.

Report

Issue:

Whether to appropriate transportation impact fees for acquiring right-of-way.

Staff Contact:

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Presenter(s):

None - Consent Calendar Item

Background and Analysis:

Background and analysis has not changed from First to Second reading.

Projections indicate significant growth in southeast Olympia over the next 20 years. The City needs to plan for a transportation system that accommodates this growth. The Regional Transportation Plan includes a future extension of Log Cabin Road from Boulevard Road to Wiggins Road. The Log Cabin Road Extension will pass through a portion of the area known as the LBA Woods.

On April 19, 2016, Council received a briefing on the need for the Log Cabin Road Extension. Staff presented computer visualizations of different widths to show how a future road might look. The most narrow road width, 60 feet, would have the least impact to LBA Woods.

The right-of-way needed for the future Log Cabin Road is 1.91 acres and it goes through the Ashton

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Woods property. The City Parks Department intends to purchase this parcel. Staff recommends using transportation impact fees in the amount of \$129,142 to purchase the portion of property needed for right-of-way.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

There is community interest in preserving the area known as LBA Woods as open space and for parks use. The future Log Cabin Road Extension project would build a road through a portion of this area. Community reaction was positive to a narrower roadway option.

Options:

- 1. Approve the appropriation to use transportation impact fees for acquiring right-of-way for the Log Cabin Road Extension. This preserves the right-of-way for a road when it is needed in the future using transportation impact fees.
- 2. Do not approve the appropriation to use transportation impact fees for acquiring right-of-way for the Log Cabin Road Extension. Purchasing it in the future will be more expensive and require a more complicated real estate transaction.

Financial Impact:

There is currently \$10,958 of mitigation fees in the Log Cabin Road Extension project for the purchase, resulting in an additional funding need of \$118,184. There are existing transportation impact fees available to provide \$118,184 for the purchase.

Attachments:

Appropriation Ordinance