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City Council

Approval of a Resolution Adopting the 2021-2026 Transportation Improvement Program

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Title

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

City Manager Recommendation:

Move to approve the resolution adopting the 2021-2026 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Report

Issue:

Whether to approve the resolution adopting the 2021-2026 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Staff Contact:

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Presenter(s):

None - Consent Calendar Item.

Background and Analysis:

Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) requires local governments to outline their specific transportation needs in a Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Cities must identify projects in the TIP before they can receive state and federal funding. City staff updates the TIP each year so that all projects identified in the Capital Facilities Plan (CFP) are in the TIP. The City submits the TIP to WSDOT annually in July.

A table summarizing the 2021-2026 TIP is attached. The 2021-2026 Six-Year TIP in the required WSDOT format, which will be sent to WSDOT, is also attached.

It is important to note that City staff works closely with state and federal agencies to understand funding criteria. Every year, staff reviews projects and makes revisions to the TIP so that the City is in

the best position to successfully secure funding.

The cost estimates and project schedules in the TIP are preliminary and will be updated when funding is requested. The TIP is organized as follows:

1. Fully Funded Projects. These projects have received grant funding and are in the process of being implemented.
2. Capacity Projects. These projects do not meet current levels of service (capacity) as defined by the Olympia Comprehensive Plan. They often have multiple funding sources including impact fees, grants, and City general fund dollars.
3. Annual Programs. These programs fund multiple projects within specific categories and are in alphabetical order:
 - Access and Safety Improvements
 - Bike Improvements
 - Sidewalks and Pathways
 - Street Repair and Reconstruction
4. Parks, Arts and Recreation Projects, in priority order. These projects are included in order to qualify them for state and federal funding.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

City staff distributed the draft 2021-2026 TIP and gave notice of the Public Hearing to the following organizations: City-recognized neighborhood associations, the West Olympia Business Association, Intercity Transit, WSDOT, Thurston Regional Planning Council, the cities of Lacey and Tumwater, Thurston County, Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC), Olympia Safe Streets Campaign, and other interested parties.

Options:

1. Approve the resolution adopting the 2021-2026 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). This will allow the City to meet state law for updating the TIP annually and allow the City to be eligible for grant funding on the listed projects.
2. Incorporate City Council changes to the 2021-2026 Six-Year TIP that are consistent with the 2020-2025 CFP and adopt the resolution.
3. Delay approving the TIP so City Council can consider deleting, revising, and adding projects. Council would need to take action no later than July 24, 2020 in order to meet WSDOT's July 31, 2020 deadline.

Financial Impact:

The 2021-2026 TIP identifies 15 projects totaling approximately \$130.2 million. The City is seeking approximately \$54.3 million in federal funding and \$11.2 million in state funding. The CFP establishes specific funding sources and commitment for funding of the projects in the TIP.

Attachment(s):

Resolution

2021-2026 TIP Project Summary

2021-2026 TIP Project Maps

2021-2026 TIP WSDOT Report