



City Council

Approval of a Resolution Authorizing a Grant Agreement Between the City of Olympia and the Department of Ecology for the Brawne Avenue Water Quality Retrofit Design Project

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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 to fund the design portion of the Brawne Avenue Water Quality Retrofit Project and authorizing the City Manager to sign the grant agreement.

Report Issue:

Whether to approve a Resolution authorizing the execution of a water quality grant to fund the design of the Brawne Avenue Water Quality Retrofit Project.

Staff Contact:

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Presenter:

None - Consent Calendar Item.

Background and Analysis:

The City is addressing issues with total maximum daily loads (TMDL) of pollutants in the lower Budd Inlet by providing water quality retrofits for all untreated urban areas in the West Bay Basin. The Brawne Avenue Water Quality Retrofit project is one of the highest priority areas for untreated runoff in the West Bay Basin. The project will provide a basic level of stormwater treatment for a 51.1-acre residential neighborhood, when completed.

The Stormwater Utility applied for and has been awarded a Water Quality Financial Assistance Grant

(Grant) in the amount of \$70,500. The Grant requires a 25 percent match (\$23,500) and covers design work only. The grant term is two years.

A total of \$470,000 for the Brawne Avenue retrofit project is included in the City's adopted 2021-2026 Capital Facilities Plan (CFP), including \$56,500 for 2021.

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 to fund the design portion of the Brawne Avenue Water Quality Retrofit Project and authorizing the City Manager to sign the grant agreement. The City receives financial assistance in the form of a grant to offset planned expenditures for the design of Brawne Avenue's water quality retrofit project.
2. Do not approve a Resolution authorizing the City to execute a Washington State Department of Ecology grant to partially fund the Brawne Avenue Water Quality Retrofit Design Project. The City will not receive financial assistance and will have to postpone the Brawne retrofit design. The delay pushes back other priority water quality retrofits aimed to treat storm runoff from the West Bay Basin.

Financial Impact:

The total cost for the two-year Brawne Avenue water quality retrofit design is estimated at \$94,000. Receiving the Ecology grant opportunity brings the program costs for the City to \$23,500.

Attachments:

Resolution
Agreement