

City Council Study Session HHS SFA May 29, 2018 - 5:30 PM Council Chambers - City Hall MINUTES Watch the meeting LIVE!

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I. CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Bob Baggett called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Auburn City Hall, 25 West Main Street in Auburn.

A. Roll Call

Councilmembers present: Deputy Mayor Bob Baggett, Larry Brown, Claude DaCorsi, John Holman, Bill Peloza, and Yolanda Trout-Manuel. Councilmember Largo Wales was excused.

Mayor Nancy Backus and the following department directors and staff members were present: Assistant Director of Engineering Services/City Engineer Ingrid Gaub, Traffic Engineer James Webb, Parks, Arts and Recreation Director Daryl Faber, Police Commander Dan O'Neil, Innovation and Technology Director Paul Haugan, Assistant Director of Community Development Services Jeff Tate, Director of Administration Dana Hinman, Human Services Manager Joy Scott, and City Clerk Danielle Daskam.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

There was no announcement, report or presentation.

III. AGENDAITEMS FOR COUNCIL DISCUSSION

A. SR167 and SR509 Gateway Project (Gaub) (20 Minutes)

Assistant Director of Engineering Services/City Engineer Ingrid Gaub introduced the presenter, Craig Stone, PE, Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) Gateway Program Administrator.

In 2015, the Washington State Legislature and Governor Inslee acted to fund the SR167 and SR509 Gateway Program through the Connecting Washington revenue package. The Gateway Program is comprised of two projects: the State Route 167 Completion Project, which connects the current SR167 to the Port of Tacoma and the State Route 509 Completion Project, which connects SeaTac Airport/SR509 to the I-5 Corridor.

WSDOT is the lead project sponsor and is responsible for the planning, design and construction of the Gateway Program, as well as for its overall financial management. Funding for the Gateway project will come from designated Connecting Washington funds (\$1.565 billion), tolling (\$180 million), grants (\$111 million), and local contributions (\$130 million).

The local contribution of \$130 million will come from the ports, local agencies, and federal and other grants.

Mr. Stone distributed a folio of the project dated Spring 2018.

Project benefits include:

- Completes critical freight links between the Port of Tacoma and manufacturing and industrial areas in Pierce County
- Reduces congestion on local roads and highways by providing improved east-west travel
- Improves safety and manages congestion with tolling
- Connects walking/biking trails
- Provides environmental enhancements
- Supports regional job growth and economic growth associated with the state's two larges ports

Steve Gorcester, Independent Grant Strategist for WSDOT, spoke regarding the grant strategy to lessen burden on funding partners. Three of the four grants applied for have been secured.

Mr. Stone also spoke about the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) development process. Auburn is considered a Tier 3 city and will have no cost associated with the project, but is asked to sign the MOU to express its intent to support the project.

Assistant Director/City Engineer Gaub reported the MOU/Interlocal Agreement will be on the Council's June 4th agenda for consideration.

B. 2019-2024 Transportation Improvement Plan Annual Update (Gaub) (15 Minutes)

James Webb, Traffic Engineer, reviewed the proposed 2019-2024 Transportation Improvement Program annual update. The Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) must be amended annually. In most instances, projects must be on the TIP to be eligible for state and federal grant programs. The TIP identifies secured or reasonably expected revenues and expenditures for each of the projects. Projects listed in the first three years of the TIP are shown as having secured funding while projects in years four through six can be partially or completely unfunded.

Traffic Engineer Webb noted a new numbering system of the TIP projects is included in the updated TIP. The TIP number for each project identifies

the project type, using the following numbering convention:

- I-X Intersection, Signal and ITS projects
- N-X Non-motorized and Transit projects
- P-X Preservation projects
- R-X Roadway projects
- S-X Study and Monitoring projects

Projects removed the TIP are:

- TIP 2: A Street Traffic Signal Improvements, combined with TIP 19 to become I-1
- TIP 12: Grade Separated Crossing of the BNSF Rail Yard this
 project was removed from the TIP as it is not anticipated to be
 started within the next six years
- TIP 14: A Street SE Signal Safety and Traffic Operations will be completed in 2018
- TIP 15: 8th Street NE Widening combined with R-20 (Lea Hill Rd Segment 1)
- TIP 19: Auburn Way N/1st St NE Signal Improvements combined with TIP 2 to become I-1
- TIP 21: West Main St & C St NW Traffic Signal Upgrade will be completed in 2018
- TIP 24: Academy Drive Multi-Use Trail was removed as it is not anticipated to be started within the next six years
- TIP 53: Auburn Way S & 12th Street SE Intersection Improvements will be completed in 2018
- TIP 55: Auburn Way S Sidewalk Improvements will be completed in 2018
- TIP 71: 15th St NE/NW Preservation will be completed in 2018

Projects proposed to be added to the TIP:

- TIP I-1: Signal replacement program. This will be an ongoing program to replace existing signal infrastructure as it reaches its end of life
- TIP I-7: SE 320th St/116th Ave SE Roundabout
- TIP I-11: Auburn Way S/6th Street SE to construct a new southbound right turn lane on Auburn Way S
- TIP N-7: Auburn Way S Sidewalk Southside (17th Street SE to MIT Plaza
- TIP N-11: Lea Hill Safe Routes to School in the vicinity of Hazelwood Elementary, Lea Hill Elementary and Rainier Middle School
- TIP P-10: A Street SE Preservation (37th St SE to King/Pierce County Line)
- TIP P-11: C Street SW Preservation (W Main to GSA Signal)
- TIP P-12: Lakeland Hills Way Preservation (57th Dr SE to Lake Tapps Parkway)
- TIP R-15: Auburn Way S at Poplar St Safety Improvements

Councilmember Peloza proposed adding rebuilding of 4th Street SE between M Street and Auburn Way South to the TIP at the 2019-2020 time period. Assistant Director/City Engineer Gaub stated if the 4th Street SE project was added to the TIP, other projects will need to be removed. Assistant Director/City Engineer Gaub explained 4th Street SE is an arterial roadway and will need to be funded through the Arterial Preservation Fund. In 2019, the arterial preservation funds are allocated to grant funded projects that are already in design phase.

Mayor Backus stated arterial preservation funds are directed to streets that have not failed, because it is less expensive to maintain and preserve those streets. Mayor Backus stated 4th Street SE will require total reconstruction.

Assistant Director/City Engineer Gaub stated it would take several years of funding from the Arterial Preservation Fund to fund the 4th Street SE Project. She noted other streets, such as 2nd Street SE between A Street SE and Auburn Way South is in similar condition. The City is at a PCI rating of 66 as an average.

Councilmember DaCorsi requested an estimated cost for the 4th Street SE project.

Traffic Engineer Webb reviewed the next steps for the TIP. The public hearing on the TIP will be scheduled for June 18th with the TIP anticipated to be adopted on the same evening.

C. Resolution No. 5370 - Massena PBRS Application (Tate) (10 Minutes)

Presentation of a Public Benefit Rating System application submitted to King County (parcels 3421059044 and 3421059061)

Assistant Director of Community Development Services Jeff Tate presented proposed Resolution No. 5370 expressing the City's support for including parcels 3421059044 and 3421059061 in the King County Public Benefit Rating System (PBRS). Also in attendance was Bill Bernstein from the King County Department of Natural Resources who provided background on the Public Benefit Rating System.

The Public Benefit Rating System is an open space property tax program allowed under state law and administered by the county. The intent of the program is to encourage preservation of open space lands, agricultural lands and forested lands that are in private ownership by offering property tax reductions for land owners who are willing to preserve their land. Property owners can seek to preserve agricultural land, surface water quality buffer, forest stewardship, and public access. Property tax reductions that are awarded to an owner carry land management obligations that are recorded against the property. A reduction in property tax revenue from a single property results in a shift whereby all other

property tax payers within the county share in making up the lost revenue.

The Massena property consists of two separate parcels that total 10.08 acres. The owner is seeking enrollment in the PBRS program under the farm and agricultural conservation land category. King County is recommending that 8.35 acres of the total property be enrolled in the program and that the taxable value of the property be reduced by 50 percent. Enrollment in the PBRS must be approved by the City and King County legislative bodies.

Mr. Bernstein stated the property owners would be required to operate under a Farm Management Plan, developed with the help of the King Conservation District, in order to maintain enrollment in the PBRS.

Assistant Director Tate advised the resolution will be on the June 4th Council agenda for consideration.

IV. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DISCUSSION ITEMS

At 6:42 p.m., Deputy Mayor Baggett recessed the meeting for a 5-minute intermission.

Deputy Mayor Baggett reconvened the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

At this time, Councilmember Trout-Manuel, chair of the Health and Human Services Special Focus Area, presided over the Health and Human Services discussion items.

A. Behavioral Health Facility Update (Hinman) (20 Minutes)

Presenters:

Ingrid Gourley Mungia, Director of Government Relations for MultiCare Health System Ann McBride, President of CHI Franciscan Post-Acute Care Services Maureen Womack, CEO of Alliance for South Sound

Director of Administration Dana Hinman introduced Ingrid Gourley Mungia, Director of Government Relations for MultiCare Health System; Maureen Womack, Chief Executive Officer for Alliance for South Sound Health; and Eric Brown, Director of Human Resources for Alliance for South Sound Health, who provided an update on the new Alliance Behavioral Health Hospital on the Allenmore Campus.

Ms. Womack spoke about the unique partnership between CHI Franciscan and MultiCare, to create a new behavioral health hospital, along with countless other donors. Hospital activation will begin on June 4, 2018. Activation is the process of preparing staff, equipment and the facility for start-up.

Ms. Womack spoke about the need for the hospital. Washington State ranks 47th in the United States for available psychiatric beds. The few state hospital beds that remain have months long wait lists.

The hospital will provide acute behavioral health services to individuals experiencing a psychiatric emergency and/or a life threatening substance use disorder. The primary goal of the services is to stabilize and improve psychological and physical symptoms of distress and to engage individuals in an appropriate treatment service.

Ms. Womack stated the new behavioral health hospital will include a blend of advanced technology and beautiful healing spaces.

Mr. Eric Brown spoke about securing the leadership team, position recruitment and community connections. The hospital will employee approximately 300 people.

B. One Table Update (Hinman) (20 Minutes)

Director of Administration Dana Hinman provided an update on the One Table initiative. One Table is a comprehensive effort made up of business, service providers, healthcare professionals, faith community members, philanthropists, labor, academia and community members and people who have experienced homelessness.

The group has been assessing the region's current response to homelessness, including root causes such as lack of affordable housing, behavioral health issues, the child welfare system, criminal justice system, and loss of employment.

Director Hinman directed the Council's attention to the draft report from the Homeless Task Force Action Plan and the One Table recommended action statements, including six priority actions: affordable housing solutions, housing stabilization fund, on-demand behavioral health services, comprehensive service package for all foster youth aging out of care, criminal justice system to reduce bookings for charges that are a direct result of homelessness and behavioral health crises, and employment programs.

Director Hinman requested Council's feedback to take back to the One Table work group.

Councilmember DaCorsi recommended joining forces with the State Affordable Housing Advisory Board.

Mayor Backus encouraged feedback from Council on which strategies Auburn should participate in as part of the regional homelessness response.

V. OTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS

There was no other discussion item.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

VII. MATRIX

A. Matrix

Councilmembers reviewed the matrix: discussion of Consolidated Court Fees will be scheduled for a future date, the Homeless Update will be scheduled for the next Health and Human Services Special Focus Area study session, the next Capital Projects Update will be scheduled for a future meeting.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

APPROVED this 18th day of June, 2018.

BOB BAGGETT, DEPUTY MAYOR	Danielle Daskam, City Clerk

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