

**Business of the City Council  
 City of Ruston, WA**

**Subject:** Discussion Item – City of Ruston’s 2022-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (6-Year TIP)

**Dept. Origin:** Engineering Dept.

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**For Agenda of:** June 1, 2021

**Exhibits:** Six-Year TIP

**Proposed Council Action:**

Discuss Ruston’s Proposed Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program Update. This matter will be set for Public Hearing and Action on June 15, 2021.

**Concurred by Mayor:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Approved/form by City Atty:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Approved by Planning Director:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Approved by City Engineer:** \_\_\_\_\_

Initial & Date

**JSR/5-19-21**

**INFORMATION / BACKGROUND**

State law<sup>1</sup> mandates all local jurisdictions to annually adopt and submit to the state a six-year program of transportation improvements, known as the Local TIP. To be eligible to seek federal and state funding, the City must comply with state law and adopt an annual TIP.

**Background.** The six-year Local TIP serves as a general work plan for the development of local transportation systems and, as such, represents an important planning component under the State’s Growth Management Act.<sup>2</sup> The Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) and Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) use Local TIPs as a tool for coordinating the transportation programs of local jurisdictions with those of regional agencies. PSRC monitors Local TIPs for projects of regional significance (to be modeled for air quality conformity) and projects supported by federal funds. These projects are incorporated into the Regional TIP, which is then forwarded for inclusion in the State TIP. In most instances, projects must be included on a Local TIP to be eligible for state and federal grant programs. Local TIPs need not be revenue constrained, jurisdictions can include projects they would choose to implement within the timeframe if funding were available. The updated TIP reflects the movement of projects which have been funded.

**Discussion.** The draft TIP is being presented to the Council for consideration and discussion on June 1st, but not for action. Action cannot be taken until *after* the required Public Hearing has been held. The Council will hold the required Public Hearing on the proposed City of Ruston 2022-2027 TIP project list on June 15, 2021 after which time the Council may adopt the updated TIP. The deadline for adoption is June 30, 2021.

<sup>1</sup> RCW 35.77.010.

<sup>2</sup> Chapter 36.70A RCW.

**FISCAL CONSIDERATION**

There is no direct fiscal impact of adopting the 2022-2027 Transportation Improvement Program. However, the projects listed on the TIP become eligible for federal and state grant funding.

**RECOMMENDATION / MOTION**

Discuss proposed 2022-2027 Six-year TIP.

The required Public Hearing on the proposed City of Ruston 2022-2027 TIP project list is scheduled for June 15, 2021 after which time the Council may adopt the updated TIP.