



Snohomish County Council

Committee: Public Infrastructure and Conservation

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ECAF: 2023-0844

Proposal: Motion 23-306

Date: July 18, 2023

Consideration

The proposed motion would approve and authorize the County Executive to execute the Right-Of-Way Plan for Ash Way: 164th St SW to Gibson Road; RC1638; UP#11-0011; and would authorize the Public Works Director to approve appraisal and appraisal review contracts necessary to implement the plan, in an amount not exceeding \$413,000; and would authorize the County Engineer to acquire uneconomic remnants or additional impacted property necessary to implement the plan and all attendant documents for the completion of the project; and authorizes the County Engineer to make revisions to the plan and to approve and sign a revised Right-of-Way Plan to provide for design revisions and to document uneconomic remnants or additional impacted property acquired, under RCW 36.77.010.

Background

The County proposes to widen Ash Way to reduce delay, improve safety, promote multi-modal mobility throughout the corridor and provide non-motorized access to future light rail stations. Construction and ROW funding is only secured for Phase 2 (from 135th St SW to Admiralty Way / Gibson Rd).

Ultimately, the County estimates purchasing ROW from 161 parcels, with Phase 2 requiring ROW acquisition from 59 parcels. The ROW appraisal stage for Phase 2 is currently funded through County Road Funds and is scheduled to begin in the fall of 2023. The land acquisition (\$3,086,000) was included in the TIP and the adopted 2023 ACP, with funding appropriated from County Road Funds, TIF and REET II. The construction phase will be financed from various sources and include matching grant funds.

Community outreach completed to date includes mailers (3000 sent), project website, one-on-one coordination with 97 out of 222 parcels, and public meetings (June 2015 and October 2022). Public Works and Planning & Development Services have on-going collaboration to review developers' pre-submittals.

Current Proposal

Scope: The proposed motion would approve of the Right-of-Way Plan for the Ash Way: 164th St SW to Gibson Road and allow Public Works to proceed with acquisition and purchase of the necessary Right-of-Way.

Duration: NA

Fiscal Implications: The appraisal costs of \$413,000 is to be paid from County Road Fund 102.

2023 Budget: This project is included in the 2023-2028 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) and the adopted 2023 Annual Construction Program (ACP) as Item E.52.01; Ash Way: 164th St SW to Gibson Rd and E.52.05; Ash Way/Gibson Rd Phase 2: Admiralty Way to 134 St SW.

Budget Impacts: The land appraisal and appraisal review contracts necessary to implement the plan, in the amount not to exceed \$413,000 has been included in the budget.

Handling: NORMAL

Approved-as-to-form: NA (Plans are stamped and signed by County Engineer)

Risk Management: NA

Executive Recommendation: APPROVE.

Attachments: The stamped and signed Right-of-Way plans are attached to the proposed motion.

Amendments: NONE.

Request: The requested action is to move to GLS on July 19, 2023, for consideration.