

Transportation & Public Works Committee Meeting

Minutes

Thursday, September 3, 2020 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM ** Virtual Meeting **

Members: Present: Absent: Commence: 5:34 PM

Adjourn: 6:25 PM

Peter Kwon, Chair X Pam Fernald X

Takele Gobena X

Other Councilmembers participating: Cm Tombs; CM Hill

Staff Coordinators: Will Appleton, Public Works Director; Florendo Cabudol, City

Engineer

Other Staff Participating: David Tomporowski, Senior Planner

Public Comment.	None
Approve Prior Meeting's Minutes	Aug 20 Minutes were approved to move to full Council for approval
2. Military Road S/South 164th St/42nd Ave S Intersection Study	Discussion/Recommendation Senior Planner David Tomporowski presented the Military Road South/South 164th Street/42nd Avenue South Intersection Study – with a request to approve professional services contract for DKS Associates, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$125,000. This study is listed in the City's Transportation Master Plan and shown as priority #10 in the 2021-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The purpose of the study is to determine the most efficient and effective long-term configuration to accommodate all modes of travel through the five-legged intersection. The intersection as it is currently configured has a record of safety issues and operates at capacity during peak periods. Future development is anticipated to the north along Military Road South that will increase mobility demands through the intersection. This study is warranted to guide future improvements to the functionality and safety of the intersection.

The study will also address barriers as identified in the City's Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) transition plan, and forecast future demand on this intersection from all modes of transportation.

The study will identify and evaluate a variety of intersection alternatives, and recommend one to the City. The scope of this contract also provides for comprehensive public outreach, with a goal to engage with residents and businesses near the intersection, along with the City of Tukwila, which is adjacent to the study area.

Staff conducted a consultant process and three firms were solicited, interviewed, and scored. DKS Associates, Inc. was selected as the most highly qualified firm to conduct the study.

Questions raised by the Committee:

- 1. Is the study about safety issues at the intersection? Yes.
- 2. When will it start? Mid to late-September.
- 3. Can we get information on accidents rates at this intersection? Foot traffic is high pedestrian safety should be covered. It is.
- 4. Study will evaluate all alternatives up to and including roundabout.
- 5. Is the study funded? Yes.
- 6. Through parking tax? Yes.
- 7. How does timing of overlay coincide with the project?
- 8. Will any safety concerns be addressed sooner? Yes, a portion of the overlay.

The committee recommended this item be moved forward to Regular Council Meeting September 8.

3. South 200th Street Corridor Study

Discussion/Recommendation

Senior Planner David Tomporowski presented the South 200th Street Corridor Study with a request to approve a Professional Services contract with Fehr and Peers in an amount not to exceed \$165,000.00.

This study is listed in the City's Transportation Master Plan and shown as priority #9 in the 2021-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

The purpose of this study is to determine the highest and best use of the South 200th Street corridor based on current usage demands as well as future active transportation (pedestrian and bicycle) demand and land uses adjacent to the corridor. This study will provide guidance on future investment in the infrastructure in the corridor. A separate capital improvement project (ST-161) is identified in the 2021-2026 TIP for design of the infrastructure as recommended by the study.

The study will also either affirm or refine the design vision laid out for this corridor in the Angle Lake District Station Area Plan, which was adopted by the Council in 2015. Recommendations from the study may necessitate refinements to the current conceptual design (a three lane road with a protected bike lane and wider sidewalks) to accommodate

the competing needs of this corridor in supporting access (both active and vehicular) to residents, the light rail station, Interstate 5, and freight traffic.

In addition to defining long-term improvements to this corridor, this study will also help identify short-term improvements, such as pavement maintenance, channelization, and other quick fixes to help address immediate needs. Other components include investigating occupancy needs for utilities with the corridor right of way, assessing the future demand for the corridor once the State Route 509 extension is completed, and addressing the corridor's safety and congestion issues resulting from metered access to the southbound I-5 interchange during peak periods, as well as access challenges stemming from multiple driveways along both frontages of the South 200th Street.

The scope of this contract also provides for comprehensive public outreach, with a goal to engage with every resident that lives along the corridor, along with major stakeholders such as the overall SeaTac community, business, WSDOT, the Port of Seattle, and Sound Transit. It is expected that the consultant will play a major role in the community and stakeholder outreach, as well as assisting City staff in the final selection of street cross-sections and overall scope that is consistent with the Angle Lake District vision.

A selection process was conducted and three consultants were solicited, interviewed, and rated in a competitive process. Fehr and Peers was selected as the most highly qualified firm to conduct the study.

Questions were raised by the Committee:

- 1. Is funding in place? Yes.
- 2. Did Sound Transit and Panatone Development contribute?
- Will SR509 impacts be taken into consideration in the study? Yes.
- 4. Please keep the neighborhood west of Military 198th and 190th in mind safety wise as they are being used as cut-throughs by traffic.
- 5. Committee would like to see bike lanes.
- 6. Committee pointed out that the property will be prime for development as SR509 and freeway extensions are constructed. Keep this in mind during the study.

The Committee recommended this item be moved to Regular Council on September 8.

4. Adjourn

Adjourn Meeting