

Department of Community Development - Nora Gierloff, AICP, Director

TO: Transportation & Infrastructure Services Committee

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CC: Mayor Ekberg

DATE: November 7, 2022

SUBJECT: FHWA CMAQ Grant Award – South King County TDM

ISSUE

The Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Program is asking for approval to accept a Federal Highway Administration Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) Program award. The City has been awarded \$450,000 by Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) for 2023 to 2024.

BACKGROUND

Tukwila's TDM Program provides transportation outreach, education, and resources to improve air quality, reduce congestion, and help people get around Tukwila and south King County. The Program started with the Commute Trip Reduction (CTR) Program, working with large employers in Tukwila to reduce employee trips to worksites. Since 2013, the City of Tukwila has implemented TDM projects that expand upon the CTR program funded by state and federal grants. The Program has evolved to a regional "all trips" focus, in recognition that most trips are non-commute trips, and provides TDM services to employers, workers, residents, and visitors.

DISCUSSION

In 2020, staff successfully applied during PSRC's project selection process for a 2-year "South King County TDM" project. This new funding award will enable the TDM Program to continue providing regional TDM services in Tukwila and partner cities in South King County including Burien, Des Moines, Kent, Renton, and SeaTac. The project is to be implemented January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2024. The Program will conduct outreach at activity centers such as community hubs, commercial areas, multifamily housing complexes, and educational institutions.

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FINANCIAL IMPACT

There will be no impact to the general fund. Local match (13.5% of the project budget, \$60,750) will be provided by the City's WSDOT TDM Allocation and/or local in-kind funding should there be any.

RECOMMENDATION

The Council is being asked to accept the FHWA CMAQ Program Award and consider this item on the Consent Agenda at the November 21, 2022, Regular Meeting.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Award Letter



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October 29, 2020

The Honorable Allan Ekberg City of Tukwila 6200 Southcenter Blvd. Tukwila, WA 98188

Dear Mayor Ekberg: Allan,

Congratulations! I'm pleased to let you know that the City of Tukwila is receiving \$450,000 in PSRC funding for the following project(s):

PROJECT	AWARD AMOUNT	FUNDING SOURCE	FUNDING DEADLINE
South King County TDM	\$450,000	FHWA	June 1, 2023

The PSRC Executive Board voted in October to award federal funds to priority projects that will improve local and regional mobility. Final approval by the Governor and federal funding agencies is expected in early 2021.

The projects are part of a \$ 4.3 billion Regional Transportation Improvement Program for 2021-2024. This program includes transit expansion and maintenance projects, state highway improvements, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, and investments in city and county roads.

Your project(s) performed well in PSRC's merit-based project selection process, which identifies priority projects that will improve local and regional mobility and help achieve our long-range Regional Transportation Plan. Kudos to you and your staff for securing this funding.

I also wanted to acknowledge the difficult times we're all living through and thank you and your team for continuing to provide essential services to your community and keep everyone safe during this public health emergency. I look forward to continuing to partner with you on efforts to help the region recover and thrive for the long term.

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Sincerely,

Josh Brown

Executive Director, Puget Sound Regional Council

cc: Hari Ponnekanti, Interim Public Works Director