

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: Authorize a contract with the lowest responsive bidder for construction of the Slough Outfall 104b project, BES Project Number E10625 for \$2,255,000 (Ordinance)

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

The purpose of the legislation is to authorize a construction contract to construct stormwater retrofits within the Argay Neighborhood in NE Portland, for project E10625. Design is complete and the project is currently scheduled to advertise for construction bids in March, 2017

This project will address the implementation of one of the DEQ priority outfalls as defined in the IGA between the City of Portland and Oregon DEQ, Outfall 104b. This outfall has been identified by DEQ for near-term in-water sediment cleanup. Consequently, treatment of stormwater runoff from this basin is needed to prevent recontamination of the cleanup areas from roadway runoff. This outfall basin drains to Whitaker Slough, a southern branch of the Columbia Slough.

No previous Council Action has taken place on this legislation.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

This legislation authorizes a contract and provides payment for construction of the Slough Outfall 104b project to enhance stormwater quality. It does not affect current or future staffing levels or appropriations. It does not affect current or future City revenue. The level of confidence in the construction cost estimate of \$2.233,000 is high.

Community impacts and community involvement:

Since February 2015, Environmental Services has conducted extensive community outreach and public involvement opportunities to neighborhood property owners and occupants, business owners and operators, and the neighborhood association that will be affected by future stormwater construction.

The project area is located in the Argay Terrace neighborhood, hence the name of the project to the public is Argay Green Street Project. The boundaries of the project area are between NE Sandy Boulevard and south to NE Shaver and NE 125th to 141st Drive. The only major businesses in the area are a Buddhist Temple, an elementary school, a gas station, restaurant, and farms. There are a lot of apartments, multi-plex and houses, as well as condominiums. The majority of the neighborhood is comprised of families without children, white, with a secondary high percentage of Hispanic, black, and Asian residents mostly between 40 to 64 years of age. The project is located nearby Parkrose Middle and High Schools. According to the 2014/15 school year report card, around 30% of the students are English Learners, and just under 30% of the students are Hispanic/Latino. The report card also notes that between 66% and 95% of students are Economically Disadvantaged.

Different methods of outreach and public involvement have been utilized on this project, including personal letters, newsletters, door-to-door site visits, neighborhood association presentations, open houses, and flyers. Information was interpreted into Vietnamese and Spanish on earlier outreach, with no response. There are concerns from neighbors regarding loss of parking due to the number of green street facilities. The streets are very wide, houses have driveways, and there are parking lots for apartments and condos. Generally, the outreach early on and throughout the project was educational to the neighborhood about the purpose of green

streets and the health of the Columbia Slough and their watershed. Public Involvement reached out to the adjacent property owners of the green street planters and received their input and selections for bulbs, shrubs and general layout of future plantings. The response was mostly positive at this later date and much better than earlier public meetings. Environmental Services will be working closely with the contractor to enforce safe behavior and practice Vision Zero.

Becky Tillson of Environmental Services worked on the Community Outreach and Public Involvement for this project earlier in design and Debbie Caselton of Environmental Services worked on the remainder of Community Outreach and Public Involvement for design and will continue through construction.

Budgetary Impact Worksheet

Does this action change appropriations?

- ☐ YES: Please complete the information below.
☒ NO: Skip this section

Fund	Fund Center	Commitment Item	Functional Area	Funded Program	Grant	Sponsored Program	Amount