

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: Authorize a contract with Century West Engineering for professional services for the design of the Wheeler Basin Reconstruction and Green Streets Project (WHE-04), BES No. E10219 for \$590,872 (Ordinance).

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

To authorize the Commissioner-in-Charge to execute a contract with Century West Engineering for the purpose described in Section 1 of the proposed Ordinance, in the amount of \$590,872.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

The estimated cost is \$590,872. Funds are available in the Sewer System Operating Fund, FY2015-16 Budget, Bureau of Environmental Services, WBS Element E10219.D14.

Community impacts and community involvement:

This sewer and stormwater project will repair, replace and upside 10,000 feet of public sewer pipes that are 100 to 120 years old and install green street planters on public streets in key locations in the southern part of the Eliot neighborhood. This project will reduce the risks of street flooding and basement sewer backups, accommodate future growth in the area, and help keep stormwater out of the sewer system.

Green street planters manage stormwater runoff from streets, add green space to neighborhoods and improve sewer system efficiency. Environmental Services will install and maintain the planters, and there is no cost to the adjacent property owners.

The project will also address nonconforming sewer properties and provide these properties an independent and direct connection to the new public sewer pipes by building new branches for the properties.

The project will help protect public health, water quality and the environment and reduce the risks of sewage releases to homes, businesses and streets. The green infrastructure will keep stormwater out of the sewer system, filter pollutants, provide habitat, cool the air, and increase neighborhood green space for healthier watersheds.

Construction will create noise, vibration and dust and will disrupt normal neighborhood activity. Traffic control signs will be set up. The contractor will maintain local access, but delays should be expected. On-street parking in or near the work area will be prohibited during construction hours. Equipment and materials may be stored on nearby streets overnight. For households directly fronting the work sites, there may be brief periods of sewer and water service interruption and brief periods of driveway access delay. If these interruptions are necessary, they will be carefully managed and residents will be notified in advance.

Century West Engineering team will partner with city public involvement staff to consider how public concerns and issues identified throughout the design of this project might help shape the final design and to provide public information about any design-related field work that might impact property owners and surrounding public.

An outside minority evaluator from the Minority Evaluator Program was recruited to participate on the consultant selection committee.

Throughout the design and construction of this project, Environmental Services will conduct extensive community outreach to neighborhood and business associations, schools, parks, property owners and occupants who may be affected by sewer construction. The city will also work directly with individual property owners suspected of having nonconforming sewers and property owners adjacent to proposed green street planter locations. Key stakeholders already engaged in this project include the Eliot Neighborhood Association and the Northeast Broadway Business Association.

No direct public involvement occurred during consultant selection.

Throughout the design and construction of this project, stakeholder engagement will be essential to introduce neighbors to proposed green street planter locations and to give adjacent property owners the opportunity to provide input on tree placement and plant selection for green street planters. Another public involvement opportunity of this project will be to engage property owners in a process to resolve nonconforming sewer issues, provide information about their private sewer service line, and provide input on a new branch location.

Public involvement staff with Environmental Services are leading the design and implementation of public involvement, outreach and information services for this project.

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While no public involvement is anticipated or necessary for this Council item per se, extensive public involvement, community outreach and public information services will be provided during the design and construction of this project. City public involvement staff will partner with the Century West Engineering team to identify public concerns and issues throughout the design of this project and to provide public information about any design-related field work that might impact property owners and the surrounding public.

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