

**IMPACT STATEMENT****187701**

**Legislation title:** Amend Intergovernmental Agreement with Metro for development of a Preferred Alternative Package, Locally Preferred Alternative and Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Southwest Corridor Plan. (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 30004541)

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**Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:**

This action is an amendment of an existing IGA between Metro and the City of Portland for the SW Corridor Project. Metro in partnership with TriMet, the City and other agencies is developing project alternatives and preparing a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). Each of the project partners is contributing to pay for this work. The existing IGA authorized the City to make a payment to Metro of \$500,000 as agreed upon for FY 14-15. The original IGA is now being amended to pay for a second year of funding by the City of \$550,000 in FY 15-16. Work on the DEIS will continue for several years beyond FY 15-16 but no further contributions to Metro by the City are anticipated at this time.

**Financial and budgetary impacts:**

The \$550,000 in funds being provided to Metro with this amendment were approved as part of a larger General Fund special appropriations request for FY 15-16 that totaled \$700,000. The balance of the FY 15-16 funds (\$150,000) pays for City staff working on the project. The total contribution to Metro over the two year period will be \$1,050,000. There is no further obligation to Metro at this time. If this amendment to the IGA is not approved by Council, the City will have no way to pay its obligation to Metro. This would create a shortfall in the project's budget.

**Community impacts and community involvement:**

- The IGA documents the work to be completed by Metro and Project Partners to narrow HCT options, identify a preferred alternative (PA) and create a subset of road and active transportation projects to be studied jointly in a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS).
- Planning work will build upon the work of previous phases including the development of the Barbur Concept Plan and the Southwest Corridor Plan and Shared Investment Strategy.
- Different communities of people: Metro will lead this phase of public involvement to gain meaningful input from a diverse range of corridor stakeholders and integrate this into the decision-making and deliberation process in a transparent manner. Metro and project partners will provide a clear and transparent manner to engage the public and to support the Southwest Corridor DEIS and decision-making process. The DEIS public

involvement plan will include best practices for Environmental Justice and Title VI outreach.

- Geographic area: Adopted local land use visions, including the Barbur Concept Plan will be a basis for planning. Public involvement tools to engage Southwest Portland stakeholders and the broader public may include My Place community dialogues, HCT Project Workshops, local Design Dialogues to develop local multi-modal and streetscape plans, online engagement including map-based input tool and survey, presentations at local neighborhood association and community events, and youth and senior storytelling project.
- Businesses and Institutions: Outreach activities will aim to engage businesses along the corridor and major educational institutions, including the Oregon Health Sciences University National College of Natural Medicine and Portland Community College.
- City livability: SW Corridor was originally identified as a top priority in the 2009 Regional High Capacity Transit (HCT) Plan which aims to extend high capacity transit to areas with significant anticipated growth in population and employment and to create compact, walkable station areas. SW Corridor will introduce a fast, reliable high capacity transit option connecting jobs and housing throughout the region while strengthening pedestrian and bicycle connectivity and access to key places in neighborhoods across the corridor.

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**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