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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Kurt Triplett, City Manager

**From:** Truc Dever, MPA, Public Works Director  
Rod Steitzer, P.E., Capital Projects Manager  
Tiffany Tillison, P.E., Project Engineer

**Date:** July 25, 2024

**Subject:** Award Contract – Transportation Benefit District Lake Washington High School Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements

### RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council awards a construction contract for the Transportation Benefit District Lake Washington High School Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements to Kamins Construction, Inc. of Bothell, Washington, in the amount of \$859,915.36.

By acting on this staff report during the approval of the Consent Calendar, the City Council is awarding a construction contract to Kamins Construction, Inc.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

- The Transportation Benefit District (TBD) Implementation projects are funded in the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) as NMC 3000 and support the implementation of the 55 highest priority Safer Routes to School Action Plan (SRTS), Vision Zero, and Active Transportation Plan (ATP) projects.
- The Lake Washington High School Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements project (NMC 3000030) constructs three of the 55 priority improvements.
- Currently, all projects are on or ahead of schedule and projected to be within the authorized funding level.
- The subject project was awarded a \$500,000 Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) grant and the project is within current funding allocations, so no additional funds are needed.
- It is recommended that the City Council awards a construction contract for the project to Kamins Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$859,915.36.

### BACKGROUND:

In 2021, the City Council amended its 2021-2022 City Work Plan and activated the TBD, which provided a funding source for the SRTS, ATP, and Vision Zero priority projects to further the goals of Community Safety, Neighborhoods, and Balanced Transportation. In December 2022, the City Council adopted a vehicle license fee to fund a list of 55 projects that reflect the highest priorities of the SRTS, ATP, and Vision Zero plans, and in 2023, work on the projects began.

To achieve efficient delivery, the projects were grouped into 18 design and construction packages of similar scope, location, and permitting requirements. The Lake Washington High School (LWHS) Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements is one package that constructs three of

the 55 priority projects. Currently, all TBD projects are on, or ahead, of schedule and projected to be within the authorized funding level.

The project will construct approximately 1,300 linear feet of sidewalk, curb, and gutter along the east side of 116<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE from NE 73<sup>rd</sup> Street to NE 75<sup>th</sup> Place and revise the existing storm system. Additionally, the project will construct a Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) with illumination improvements at the intersection of NE 80<sup>th</sup> Street and 124<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE (see Attachment 1, Vicinity and Area Map).

**DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:**

With an engineer’s estimate of \$1,038,185.00, staff advertised the project on June 27, 2024. On July 17, 2024, the City received five construction bids which are shown in Table 1 below:

**Table 1: Project – Bid Results**

<b>Company</b>	<b>Bid Amount</b>
Kamins Construction, Inc.	\$859,915.36
Reed Trucking and Excavation	\$957,090.00
Rodarte Construction	\$997,423.00
Engineer’s Estimate	\$1,038,185.00
Gary Merlino Construction	\$1,274,480.00
Bayshore Construction	\$1,350,005.00

Kamins Construction, Inc.’s low bid is both responsive and responsible. Additionally, reference checks for Kamins Construction, Inc. were satisfactory, and the contractor has completed several similar projects in western Washington.

**Table 2: Project Funding and Estimated Expenses (NMC3000030)**

<b>Current Funding</b>	<b>Total</b>
LWHS Pedestrian Bicycle Improvements	\$ 1,694,000
Transportation Improvement Board Grant	\$ 500,000
<b>Total Funding</b>	<b>\$ 2,194,000</b>
<b>Estimated Expenses</b>	
Design/Inspection/Soft Costs	\$ 638,042
Construction	\$ 859,915
Construction Contingency (10%)	\$ 85,992
<b>Total Projected Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 1,583,949</b>
<b>Anticipated Remaining Funds</b>	<b>\$ 610,051</b>

**NEXT STEPS:**

With the City Council’s award of this contract, staff will provide outreach for the upcoming construction work which includes notifying adjacent property owners with an informational mailer and providing updated construction schedule information on the City’s website. Construction activities are anticipated to start in late September 2024. At the conclusion of this project, any remaining funds can be repurposed for additional planned TBD projects.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment 1 – Vicinity and Area Map



