



Puget Sound Regional Council

Funding Application

Competition	Regional TAP
Application Type	Bicycle and Pedestrian
Status	submitted
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Project Information

- Project Title**
Town Center ADA Compliance Plan Implementation
- Transportation 2040 ID**
N/A
- Sponsoring Agency**
Mercer Island
- Cosponsors**
N/A
- Does the sponsoring agency have "Certification Acceptance" status from WSDOT?**
Yes
- If not, which agency will serve as your CA sponsor?**
N/A

Contact Information

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Project Description

- Project Scope**
Reconstruction of existing sidewalks, curb ramps, and driveways in the Town Center to meet current ADA requirements.
- Project Justification, Need, or Purpose**
This project will provide critical safety, accessibility, and mobility improvements for disabled persons, elderly persons, and other residents that routinely use these pedestrian facilities to traverse the Town Center, access public transit, and access adjoining neighborhoods.

Project Location

- Project Location**
Town Center (North Mercer Way to SE 32nd St)
- Please identify the county(ies) in which the project is located.**

King

3. **Crossroad/landmark nearest the beginning of the project**
76th Ave SE
4. **Crossroad/landmark nearest the end of the project**
Island Crest Way
5. **Map and project graphics**
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Plan Consistency

1. **Is the project specifically identified in a local comprehensive plan?**
Yes
2. **If yes, please indicate the (1) plan name, (2) relevant section(s), and (3) page number where it can be found.**
 1. Town Center Streets - South
 2. See Sections: CIP Project Summary (Streets, Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities), and Individual Project Sheets.
 3. G-15, G-47

Note: Additional funding was allocated in the City's Adopted 2018-2023 Transportation Improvement for ADA Compliance Plan Implementation.
3. **If no, please describe how the project is consistent with the applicable local comprehensive plan, including specific local policies and provisions the project supports.**
N/A

Federal Functional Classification

1. **Functional class name**
16 Urban Minor Arterial

Support for Centers

1. **Describe the relationship of the project to the center(s) it is intended to support. For example, is it located within a designated regional, countywide or local center, or is it located along a corridor connecting to one of these areas?**
This project is within the Town Center and directly serves the Town Center.
2. **Describe how the project supports existing and/or planned population/employment activity in the center.**
This project supports both existing and planned population activity in the Town Center. The Town Center is zoned for multi-story buildings to accommodate a majority of the Growth Management Act required growth. This along with a shortage of parking, makes safe and accessible pedestrian facilities critical.

This project supports both existing and planned employment activity in the Center. A majority of people working on Mercer Island are located in the Town Center. This project will allow additional accessibility to their jobs.

Finally, residents in the Town Center (and other parts of the Island) also work in other Center such as Downtown Seattle and Downtown Bellevue. This project will allow residents to walk to nearby transit facilities (and the future light rail station). It is important to note that Mercer Island residents have parking privileges in the Town Center which allow them to walk to the transit facilities north of the Town Center.
3. **Describe how the project helps the center develop in a manner consistent with the adopted policies and plans for the center.**
Safe and accessible pedestrian facilities is critical to achieve the goals listed below from the Comprehensive Plan for the Town Center.

Goal #4 of the Town Center for land use and development is to "create an active, pedestrian-friendly retail core."

Goal #6 is "Be convenient and accessible to people of all ages and abilities, including pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users and motorists."

Goal #10: "Prioritize Town Center transportation investments that promote multi-modal

access to regional transit facilities."

Goal #11: "Promote the development of pedestrian linkages between public and private development and transit in and adjacent to the Town Center."

Criteria: Bicycle and Pedestrian Projects

- 1. Describe how the project extends or completes a regional or local bicycle and pedestrian system, and/or adds facilities to an existing bicycle and pedestrian system or network.**

There are numerous non-ADA compliant sidewalks, curb ramps, and driveways located within the Town Center. This project will help complete the gap in ADA accessible pedestrian facilities within the Town Center.

- 2. Describe how the project addresses a need in the community and reduces key barriers to use and functionality, i.e., safety and comfort, distance, slope, gaps, etc.**

This project will re-construct sidewalks and driveways that have tripping hazards, steep cross slopes, and longitudinal widths less than 4ft wide. This will improve safety, comfort, and accessibility for disabled persons, elderly persons, and the general public.

- 3. Describe the connections to other multimodal facilities the project provides.**

The Town Center is adjacent to Mercer Island Park and Ride which directly serves Downtown Seattle and Downtown Bellevue and it is an important hub for commuters in King County. Furthermore, the Mercer Island Light Rail Station is expected to be constructed by 2023, which will make these improvements even more critical.

- 4. Describe how the project will benefit a variety of user groups, including those groups identified in the President's Order for Environmental Justice, seniors, people with disabilities, those located in highly impacted communities and/or areas experiencing high levels of unemployment or chronic underemployment.**

This project will directly serve the senior and disabled population that both live and visit the Town Center. There are several assisted living facilities for seniors in the Town Center, and these pedestrian improvements are critically to their quality of life. Furthermore, these improvements will serve the general population as well.

- 5. Discuss whether the resource is threatened and if there will be a loss of opportunity if this project is not funded.**

N/A

PSRC Funding Request

- 1. Has this project received PSRC funds previously?**

No

- 2. If yes, please provide the project's PSRC TIP ID**

N/A

Phase	Year	Alternate Year	Amount
construction	2020	2019	\$500,000.00

Total Request: \$500,000.00

Total Estimated Project Cost and Schedule

PE

Funding Source	Secured/Unsecured	Amount
Local	Secured	\$50,000.00
Local	Secured	\$75,000.00
		<u>\$125,000.00</u>

Expected year of completion for this phase: 2019

Construction

Funding Source	Secured/Unsecured	Amount
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Local	Secured	\$412,000.00
TAP	Unsecured	\$500,000.00
		<u>\$912,000.00</u>

Expected year of completion for this phase: 2020

Other

Funding Source	Secured/Unsecured	Amount
Local	Secured	\$45,000.00
		<u>\$45,000.00</u>

Expected year of completion for this phase: 2020

Summary

- Estimated project completion date**
Nov 2020
- Total project cost**
\$1,082,000.00

Funding Documentation

1. Documents

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- 2. Please describe the secure or reasonably expected funds identified in the supporting documentation. For funds that are reasonably expected, an explanation of procedural steps with milestone dates for completion which will be taken to secure the funds for the project or program should also be included.**

The City of Mercer Island adopted 2017-2018 Capital Improvement Program allocated \$507,000 for this project. The City's adopted 2018-2023 Transportation Improvement Plan allocated another \$75,000 per biennium (starting in 2019) for these improvements.

Project Readiness: PE

- 1. Are you requesting funds for ONLY a planning study or preliminary engineering?**
No
- 2. Is preliminary engineering complete?**
No
- 3. What was the date of completion (month and year)?**
N/A
- 4. Have preliminary plans been submitted to WSDOT for approval?**
No
- 5. Are there any other PE/Design milestones associated with the project? Please identify and provide dates of completion. You may also use this space to explain any dates above.**
N/A
- 6. When are preliminary plans expected to be complete and approved by WSDOT (month and year)?**
Feb 2019

Project Readiness: NEPA

- 1. What is the current or anticipated level of environmental documentation under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) for this project?**
Categorical Exclusion (CE)
- 2. Has the NEPA documentation been approved?**
No
- 3. Please provide the date of NEPA approval. or the anticipated date of completion**

(month and year).
April 2019

Project Readiness: Right of Way

1. **Will Right of Way be required for this project?**
No
2. **How many parcels do you need?**
N/A
3. **What is the zoning in the project area?**
N/A
4. **Discuss the extent to which your schedule reflects the possibility of condemnation and the actions needed to pursue this.**
N/A
5. **Does your agency have experience in conducting right of way acquisitions of similar size and complexity?**
N/A
6. **If not, when do you expect a consultant to be selected, under contract, and ready to start (month and year)?**
N/A
7. **In the box below, please identify all relevant right of way milestones, including the current status and estimated completion date of each.**
N/A

Project Readiness: Construction

1. **Are funds being requested for construction?**
Yes
2. **Do you have an engineer's estimate?**
No
3. **Engineers estimate document**
N/A
4. **Identify the environmental permits needed for the project and when they are scheduled to be acquired.**
N/A
5. **Are Plans, Specifications & Estimates (PS&E) approved?**
No
6. **Please provide the date of approval, or the date when PS&E is scheduled to be submitted for approval (month and year).**
March 2019
7. **When is the project scheduled to go to ad (month and year)?**
March 2020

Other Considerations

1. **Describe any additional aspects of your project not requested in the evaluation criteria that could be relevant to the final project recommendation and decision-making process.**
N/A
2. **Describe the public review process for the project and actions taken to involve stakeholders in the project's development.**
Public comments were solicited during TIP Public Comment Periods. Further outreach and engagement will be done thru Mercer Island Chamber of Commerce, and other local community groups.
3. **Final documents**
N/A

Figure TC-1: Town Center subareas and height limits

