RESOLUTION NO. 156

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON, ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CITIZENS ADVISORY TASK FORCE, FINDING THE RECOMMENDATION IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, INITIATING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, AND DIRECTING STAFF TO PURSUE ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS FOR THE AURORA CORRIDOR

WHEREAS, the City of Shoreline undertook a Multi-Modal Pre-Design Study for the Aurora Corridor in Shoreline; and

WHEREAS, the Council appointed a Citizens Advisory Task Force consisting of business and citizen representatives to guide the Pre-Design Study process and undertook and extensive community outreach program; and

WHEREAS, the Citizens Advisory Task Force developed a recommendation for the design of the street corridor which the City Council has accepted; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shoreline Capital Improvement Program project description for the Aurora Corridor transportation improvements must be amended to reflect the Citizens Advisory Task Force recommendation; and

WHEREAS, the City has reviewed the recommendation of the Citizens Advisory Task Force for conformance with the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, in order to implement this project an environmental review process must occur;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Acceptance of Recommendation. The recommendation of the Citizens Advisory Task Force transmitted to the City Council on July 19, 1999, is hereby accepted. The recommendation consists of a description of the corridor concept and 32 specific points to guide the design and implementation of the project.

Section 2. Conformance with the Comprehensive Plan. The Council finds the recommendation of the Citizens Advisory Task Force to be in conformance with the Comprehensive Plan.

Section 3. Amendment of the Capital Improvement Program. The Capital Improvement Program shall be amended as indicated in Exhibit A which reflects the project description as recommended by the Citizens Advisory Task Force. The
amendment process shall include a public hearing and review by the Planning Commission prior to adoption by the City Council.

Section 4. Environmental Review. Council directs staff to proceed with the environmental review process for the Aurora Corridor project. This review shall include an analysis of surface water, historic properties, recreation, transportation, air quality, noise, social, and economics.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON AUGUST 23, 1999.

[Signature]
Mayor Scott Jepsen

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Sharon Mattioli, CMC
City Clerk
Exhibit A (for Resolution #156)

Project: Aurora Avenue North  
Project Limits: North 145th Street to North 205th Street

Project Scope: The first phase of this project will be the completion of the Aurora Corridor Multi-Modal Pre-Design study which will evaluate the needs for capacity, safety, access management, pedestrians, bicycles, and transit along Aurora Avenue North within the City of Shoreline from North 145th Street to North 205th Street. The study will incorporate a comprehensive public involvement process that will include neighborhood and community organizations, individual business and property owners along the corridor, the general public, and other state and local agencies. The Planning Department is the lead for this phase of the project. Based on the recommendations from the study, the main features of the recommended design include the addition of business access transit lanes on the outside of the roadway: curbs, gutters, landscaping/street furnishing strip, and sidewalks on both sides; and the creation of a landscaped center median safety lane with left and u-turn provisions. The recommendation also includes four new signalized intersections and four new pedestrian activated signalized crossings. The design process will utilize the detailed 32 point recommendation by the Citizens Advisory Task Force. The detailed recommendation will be evaluated and studied during preliminary engineering which could result in some modifications. Subsequent phases of this project may include the preliminary design, preparation of grant application packages, right of way acquisition, preparation of final plans, specifications and estimates (PS&E) and construction. The cost estimates for these subsequent phases are based on the best information available in September 1998. The study phase will better define these estimated costs. The cost estimates for the project for the years 2000 thru 2004 assume that the improvements will be focused on the area between North 475th, 145th Street and North 486th, 165th Street and safety improvements throughout the corridor to enhance pedestrian safety.

Project Justification: These improvements are needed to increase the overall safety for vehicles and non-motorized users of this corridor. This area is a regional transportation link with a very high volume for traffic and many commercial businesses fronting the street. This corridor is experiencing over 300 accidents per year including two pedestrian fatalities during the last year. The goal of this project is to enhance the safety of all users and improve the economic development potential of the business district while recognizing the regional importance of the street in the overall transportation network.