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**West  
Linn**

## Project Proposal Community Development Department

**Title:** Highway 43 Corridor Evaluation and Plan Development

**Project Manager:** Jennifer Arnold

**Project Description:**

An evaluation of Highway 43 zoning and uses for a mixed use designation or overlay zone recommendation. Also included with this analysis is a review of the existing and potential pedestrian and bicycle connectivity between the residential neighborhoods and Highway 43 amenities.

**Project Objective:**

The City of West Linn has been working to improve Highway 43 for a number of years as it is an important regional transportation corridor and the primary public transit route through West Linn. This includes adopting the 2016 Highway 43 Concept Plan that identified safety and efficiency improvements for all modes of travel along the corridor. State and regional funds have been dedicated to begin implementing some of the improvements and the City wants to leverage these investments by evaluating land uses adjacent to the corridor, as well as pedestrian and bicycle connections to safely access the corridor from surrounding neighborhoods. The goal of this effort would be to create a destination corridor that is an inviting opportunity for West Linn residents to live, work, and move about safely with ease. The area of evaluation is from the West Linn City Limits on HWY 43 from Lake Oswego to Hidden Springs/HWY 43 intersection, but this evaluation could extend to the Abernathy Bridge/I-205 as grant funds and time allow.

**Project Considerations:**

- Staff has been through the pre-application process for the Transportation and Growth Management Program (TGM) Grant to secure funds for this project. If application is funded, a consultant team would be hired to complete the project (grant application due 7/2020)
  - Funds will be used to hire a consultant team to evaluate/recommend zoning changes and associated code amendments/recommend safe pedestrian/bicycle improvements from surrounding neighborhoods
- West Linn Economic Development Committee was appointed by Council to be the working group for this project with the help of staff and a consultant team, as grant funds allow.
- This project would also analyze street design issues within the Robinwood NA per the West Linn City Council Docket
  - This information could be used in the Robinwood Neighborhood Plan update

- The Robinwood Neighborhood Plan update should be completed by a consultant in coordination with this working group, but as a separate project.

#### **Project Scope/Timeline/Deliverables:**

1. Clarification from Council on specific needs/expectations: 10/2020
2. Develop full scope of work with EDC 11/2020
3. Outreach with all Neighborhood Associations and ODOT: 12/2020 - 4/2021
4. Develop draft zoning and pedestrian/bicycle connectivity document: 5/2021 – 8/2021
5. Receive feedback from NAs on draft/editing: 9/2021 – 10/2021
6. Joint EDC/CC work session to discuss second draft with NA feedback: 10/2022 – 11/2021
7. City Council Public Hearing/Adoption: 12/2021 – 3/2022

#### **Key Stakeholders:**

- Economic Development Committee (appointed by Council as the working group)
- Planning Commission
- City Council
- Property/business owners in effected area
- All Neighborhood Associations
- ODOT

#### **Project Resources:**

- Associate Planner (175 hours with consultant/ 450 without)
- Planning Consultant (300 hours as grant funds allow)
- Admin Support (80 hours)
- Community Development Director (20 hours)
- City Attorney (15 hours)
- Consultant required for RNA neighborhood plan update (this work/time has not been calculated in this project scope)