

CITY OF COOS BAY CITY COUNCIL
Agenda Staff Report

MEETING DATE	AGENDA ITEM NUMBER
June 6, 2016	

TO: Mayor Benetti and City Councilors

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ISSUE: Transportation Growth Management (TGM) Grant Application – Front Street

SUMMARY:

Future development of the Central Dock property and potential re-development of other properties along Front Street will likely trigger the need for transportation infrastructure improvements. A grant through the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) Transportation Growth Management (TGM) Program could help fund planning for future transportation improvements. By preparing a plan in advance, the City will be prepared to address future transportation needs as Front Street re-develops. The plan may also qualify the City to apply for grant funding to help construct improvements.

ACTION REQUESTED:

If it pleases the Council, approve submittal of an application for an ODOT TGM Program grant to plan for future transportation improvements in the vicinity of Front Street.

BACKGROUND:

Future development of the Central Dock property and potential re-development of other properties along Front Street will likely trigger the need for transportation infrastructure improvements. A grant through the ODOT TGM Program could help fund planning for future transportation improvements. The purpose of the grant is to help local governments develop integrated land use and transportation plans that promote compact, mixed-use, pedestrian-friendly development; increase walking, biking, and transit options; or reduce reliance on the state highway system for local travel needs. By preparing a plan in advance, the City will be prepared to address future transportation needs as Front Street re-develops. The plan may also qualify the City to apply for grant funding to help construct improvements.

Previous plans (10 years ago) to redevelop the Central Dock properties revealed several potential traffic conflicts involving rail, pedestrians, and vehicular traffic. Discussions at that time included traffic signals, vehicle circulation patterns, rail alignment, and pedestrian movements.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

The TGM grant will be prepared by Resources Consultants for a cost of \$1,500.