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Mayor and City Council
City of Burien
400 SW 152nd Street, Suite 300
Burien, WA 98166

RE: Sylvester Road Bridge Interlocal Agreement

Dear Mayor McGilton and Councilmembers:


In 2007, the Normandy Park City Council established goals during a retreat, which have been re-visited several times during the past four years. Rehabilitation of the Sylvester Road Bridge was one of the goals identified as a priority by the City Council. In 2009, the City of Normandy Park was very fortunate to be awarded a grant for the purpose of rehabilitation of the bridge. After several months of engineering analysis, it was determined that replacement of the bridge was a more cost-effective option. The WSDOT agreed to increase the grant award to the City to cover the engineer's estimate for the cost of constructing a new bridge.

Unfortunately, the bids received were significantly more than the engineer's estimate, which increased the potential for the project to exceed available grant funds. The Normandy Park City Council gave serious consideration to rejecting bids and declining the grant due to the lack of local funds available for the project. However, it became clear that the local burden would only increase in the future and, no assurances could be made that the City would receive grant funds again for the project. The Normandy Park City Council agreed to move forward with the project, but directed the City Manager to request funding assistance from the City of Burien.

The Normandy Park City Council very much appreciates the consideration by the Burien City Council to establish a partnership, through an Interlocal Agreement, for the purpose of providing contingency funds for the Sylvester Road Bridge Project. In addition, we look forward to celebrating the re-opening of the Sylvester Road Bridge along with the Burien City Council after project completion.

Thank you again for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Shawn McEvoy
Mayor

cc: Normandy Park City Council
Mike Martin, Burien City Manager

CFTR: 08/01/11



