

Legislation Text

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Resolution No.18-33, Declaring an Emergency and Exempting the Oregon City Department of Public Works from Prohibition against Unlawful Noises on a Temporary Basis

RECOMMENDED ACTION (Motion):

Staff recommends the City Commission review and approve Resolution 18-33.

BACKGROUND:

On May 16, 2018 the City Commission awarded a contract to S-2 Contractors in the amount of \$2,412,697.50 to provide construction services to complete the 2018 Oregon City Roadway Reconstruction Projects (CI 18-001).

The Contract was awarded in accordance with City and State contracting procedures, ORS 279A.210.

The work authorized by this contract is a component of the City's annual roadway maintenance program funded through the City's Pavement Maintenance Utility Fee (PMUF). This year's project includes reconstruction of over 4.5 blocks of High Street as well as 1 block of S. 2nd Street and includes the addition of ADA ramps at all intersection curb returns. The project also includes complete reconstruction of the intersection of High Street and S 2nd Street.

Most of the planned work on the project and at the intersection has been completed during regular business hours. Work in the intersection has included water main replacement, gas main replacement, drainage improvements, and sidewalk and curb ramp improvements. The contract includes a provision that allows for work in the intersection to occur at night while crews excavate up to 18-inches deep to remove the existing road and base, place 12 inches of base rock, and finish with 6 inches of asphalt pavement.

Given the high volume of traffic that uses this intersection the City proposed to do the work at night beginning after the peak evening travel times and then finishing before the peak morning travel times. During the night work limited access for through traffic is required however, the contract also allows for limitations in allowed movements through the intersection.

OCMC 9.12.023.E declares the construction, demolition, alteration or repair of any building or the excavation of any streets and highways in a residentially zoned neighborhood between the hours of ten p.m. and seven a.m., Monday through Saturday; and between eight p.m. and nine a.m. on Sunday to be a code violation.

Staff consider the impacts to forcing the intersection reconstruction during daily business traffic to be a condition that imposes a hazardous travel condition that would impact conditions on both local streets (High Street & South End Road) as well as State Hwy 99E.

In addition to the emergency declaration and exempting the work from OCMC 9.12.023.E staff are committed to working with residents directly adjacent to the street reconstruction work with accommodations up to and including overnight lodging.