



CITY OF  
BAINBRIDGE ISLAND

## City Council Regular Business Meeting Agenda Bill

**MEETING DATE:** March 26, 2024

**ESTIMATED TIME:** 20 Minutes

**AGENDA ITEM:** (7:20 PM) Discuss and Provide a Recommendation on the Sound to Olympics Trail Planning and Alternatives Analysis – Public Works,

**SUMMARY:** Review and discuss the Sound to Olympics Trail Planning and Alternatives Analysis.

**AGENDA CATEGORY:** Discussion

**PROPOSED BY:** Public Works

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** I move to authorize the City Manager to move forward with the Sound to Olympics Trail Planning with the preferred alternatives for the Sakai Pond alignment, and the Madison Avenue to Agate Pass Bridge alignments.

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH:** In-person and virtual community engagement opportunities were hosted by the City in mid-2023. The preferred alternatives were developed based on public input.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

<b>Amount:</b>	N/A
<b>Ongoing Cost:</b>	N/A
<b>One-Time Cost:</b>	N/A
<b>Included in Current Budget?</b>	Yes

**BACKGROUND:** The Sound to Olympics (STO) Trail is a proposed 40-mile shared-use trail connecting the Puget Sound in Winslow on Bainbridge Island to the Olympic Discovery Trail in Jefferson County. The STO Trail is designated a part of the Great American Rail Trail (GART), a 3700-mile cross-country route connecting the Atlantic and Pacific coasts. The STO is the proposed route of the GART across Bainbridge Island, generally following SR 305 from the ferry terminal in Winslow 6.6 miles north to the Agate Pass Bridge.

The City has built approximately 1.1 miles of the Sound to Olympics Trail along SR305 from the Bainbridge ferry terminal to Sakai Park just north of High School Road and desires to continue planning the remainder of the trail, as well as preliminary design of the next segment, known as the Copper Top segment.

In June of 2022, the City solicited Requests for Qualifications (RFQ) for the Sound to Olympics Trail Planning and Design to include the 20% design of the Sakai Pond segment of the trail, and to develop a planning level recommendation for the remainder of the trail alignment from Madison Avenue to the Agate Pass Bridge. The

project is support by contributions from the Bainbridge Island Metropolitan Parks and Recreation District, and the Parks and Trails Foundation.

The subject presentation will provide a summary of the preferred alternatives for both the Sakai Pond segment and the remaining alignment. The City Council's consideration of the preferred alternatives is critical to beginning the remaining design work, which is 100% funded by the City's recently received Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant, which will also be reviewed as a part of the presentation.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

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[CIP STO Long-Range Plan 01213.pdf](#)

**FISCAL DETAILS:** N/A

**Fund Name(s):** General Fund

**Coding:** Capital Improvement Plan Project # 01213