

1 Sponsored by: Councilmember Douglas G. Richardson  
2 Requested by: County Executive/Planning & Public Works  
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10 **ORDINANCE NO. 2019-76s**  
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16 **An Ordinance of the Pierce County Council Adopting the 2020-2025**  
17 **Transportation Improvement Program and 2020-2033**  
18 **Fourteen-Year Ferry Program, Pursuant to Revised Code of**  
19 **Washington Sections 36.81.121, 36.81.122, 36.81.130, and**  
20 **36.54.015, and Washington Administrative Code 136,**  
21 **Chapters 15 and 16; Finding that Each Project Contained in**  
22 **the Plan is a Public Necessity; and Adopting Findings of**  
23 **Fact.**  
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25 **Whereas,** Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 36.81.121 and Chapter 136-15  
26 Washington Administrative Code (WAC) provide that the County legislative authority  
27 shall annually adopt a revised, and extended comprehensive transportation program for  
28 the ensuing six calendar years; and  
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30 **Whereas,** RCW 36.81.130 and Chapter 136-16 WAC provide that the County  
31 legislative authority shall annually adopt an annual road program prior to the adoption of  
32 the budget for the ensuing year; and  
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34 **Whereas,** RCW 36.54.015 provides that the County legislative authority shall  
35 prepare, with the advice and assistance of the County Engineer, a 14-year, long-range  
36 capital improvement plan embracing all major elements of the ferry system; and  
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38 **Whereas,** the County Council finds that the County Executive and the County  
39 Engineer have submitted the 2020-2025 Transportation Improvement Program and  
40 2020-2033 Fourteen-Year Ferry Program (Program) for review and approval by the  
41 County Planning Commission and the County Council; and

42 **Whereas,** the County Council finds that all the requirements and elements of a  
43 Six-Year Transportation Program pursuant to RCW 36.81.121 and 36.81.122, and  
44 Chapter 136-15 WAC, an Annual Road Program pursuant to RCW 36.81.130 and  
45 Chapter 136-16 WAC, and a Fourteen-Year Ferry Program pursuant to RCW  
46 36.54.015, are incorporated into, and are an integral part of the Program; and  
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1       **Whereas**, pursuant to RCW 36.70.530, the Planning Commission has reviewed  
2 and recommended to the County Council that the Program should be approved, as  
3 presented at its August 27, 2019, meeting, and has referred the Program to the County  
4 Council; and

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6       **Whereas**, pursuant to WAC 197-11-800(15) and (19), the Program is  
7 categorically exempt from threshold determination and further environmental review,  
8 and that further environmental review will be required on each individual project  
9 identified in the program, unless categorically exempt per WAC 197-11-800; and

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11       **Whereas**, priority arrays were available and were consulted during the  
12 preparation of the Program pursuant to WAC 136-14-050; and

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14       **Whereas**, the Program has been reviewed and is consistent with the "2019  
15 Engineer's Bridge Inspection Report" pursuant to WAC 136.20.060; and

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17       **Whereas**, public hearings, as required by state and local law, were held for  
18 consideration of the Program; and

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20       **Whereas**, the adoption of the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program  
21 and Annual Construction Program by the County Council authorizes the County  
22 Engineer to approve right-of-way plans in accordance with the projects set forth in this  
23 Transportation Improvement Program and Annual Construction Program; and

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25       **Whereas**, the County Council, following its consideration of the action of the  
26 Planning Commission and all testimony presented at public hearings, finds that the  
27 Program is necessary and required, and should be adopted; **Now Therefore**,

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29       **BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of Pierce County:**

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31       Section 1. The Pierce County Council hereby adopts the 2020-2025  
32 Transportation Improvement Program & 2020-2033 Fourteen-Year Ferry Program,  
33 which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

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35       Section 2. The Pierce County Council finds that the capital improvement projects  
36 set forth in Exhibit A are a public necessity.  
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1 Section 3. Findings of Fact are hereby adopted as set forth in Exhibit B, which  
2 is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

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4 PASSED this 18<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2019.

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6 ATTEST:

PIERCE COUNTY COUNCIL  
Pierce County, Washington

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10 Denise D. Johnson  
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12 Clerk of the Council

Douglas G. Richardson  
**Douglas G. Richardson**  
Council Chair

Bruce F. Dammeier  
**Bruce F. Dammeier**  
Pierce County Executive

Approved  Vetoed \_\_\_\_\_, this  
22<sup>nd</sup> day of November,  
2019.

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22 Date of Publication of  
23 Notice of Public Hearing: November 6, 2019  
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25 Effective Date of Ordinance: December 2, 2019

