



City Manager's Office

MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 23, 2024

TO: Mayor and City Council

THROUGH: Jackie Bryant, Interim City Manager Approved Electronically

FROM: Kerrie Koski, Public Works Director
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SUBJECT: Truckee River Improvements Update

Council approved \$3 million in State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) funds for the Truckee River under the Parks and Recreation priority category. On October 25, 2023, the Council approved \$329,606 with a reimbursement of \$100,000 from Washoe County to hire Dig Studio to develop the Truckee River Vision Plan, including initial recommendations for \$2,770,394 in SLFRF for the Truckee River Corridor. SLFRF must be obligated and under contract by December 31, 2024. Funds must be spent by December 31, 2026.

On May 8th and June 5th, the Council approved elements to spend the remaining funds allocated to the Truckee River based on recommendations from Dig Studio and community input. This memo provides an update on those elements, estimated costs, and when each element will be complete. Table 1 on the next page lists the elements prioritized for funding and the target completion date of each.

Table 1. Truckee River Elements Allocation & Target Completion

Element	Allocated Amount	Target Completion
Consultant Contract – Dig Studio (Visioning & Element Prioritization) <i>Washoe County Reimbursement</i> Plan Presentation to Council	\$ 329,606 \$ 100,000	Received July 2024 August 2024
Truckee River Improvements: Trash & Animal Waste Procurement Installation Wayfinding Signage Graphics Package Vendor Selection Installation Painting Refresh Contract Advertise for bids Open bids Repainting Riverside Drive Lighting Council Design Approval Advertise for bids Open bids Construction	\$ 136,000 \$ 90,000 \$ 300,000 \$ 1,314,394	August 2024 September 2024 October 2024 November 2024 Dec/January 2024/25 September 2024 October 2024 May 2025 September 2024 October 2024 November 2024 December 2024
West Street Plaza Container Kiosk with Electrical Design Advertise for Bids Open Bids Installation Furniture RFP Installation Activation RFP Vendor Selection	\$ 140,000 \$ 10,000 \$ 150,000	September 2024 October 2024 November 2024 March 2025 November 2024 April 2025 June-Oct. 2025 & 2026 October 2024 November 2024
Riverside Dr. (Booth St. to Arlington Ave.) Park Design	\$ 250,000	December 2025
Truckee River (Lake St. to Museum Dr.) Multiuse Path Design	\$ 280,000	December 2025
Total SLFRF	\$ 2,900,000	
<i>Remaining to Allocate</i>	\$ 100,000	September 2024

Below is a summary of the scope of each element listed in Table 1 above.

Consultant Contract – Dig Studio

Dig Studio is providing the Truckee River Vision Plan, including initial recommendations for \$2,770,394 in SLFRF for the Truckee River Corridor. The plan is in the last phase of public outreach. Based on feedback, Dig Studios will adjust and complete a list of projects and initiatives with information about priority, difficulty, and funding mechanisms. A separate memo to the council will provide details of the vision plan and outreach efforts and the schedule for the Truckee River Vision Plan Presentation to Council.

Truckee River Improvements

- *Wayfinding* includes graphic design standards that tie into the wayfinding work being done by One Truckee River and Nevada Land Trust along the river corridor from Idlewild Park to Brodhead Park and a plan for downtown wayfinding. Developing a graphics package includes the City logo, color palette, signage typologies, and locations.
- *Trash & Animal Waste* includes 48 animal and tamper-proof trash cans and 32 dog waste receptacles from Idlewild Park to John Champion Park.
- *Paint Refresh* includes painting the existing faded riverwalk infrastructure, including light poles, railing, and trash cans, black.
- *Riverside Drive Lighting* includes lighting design, purchase, and installation along Riverside Drive from Booth Street to Ralston Avenue. The current lighting levels are very low, and an LED light fixture and new pole will be placed on the current light foundations.

West Street Plaza

- *Activation:* West Street Plaza will be activated with monthly and weekly events and programming from June to October in the 2025 and 2026 seasons. This will consist of the following events and frequency:
 - Harmony on the River: Monthly – second Thursdays from June to September
 - Flicks on the Bricks: Weekly – Fridays from August to October
 - Food Trucks: Weekly – Sundays from June to October
- *Infrastructure:*
 - A 40-foot container-type kiosk will be placed in the plaza to store furniture and other placemaking elements, retail and specialty uses, and a location for clean and safe services like River Rangers.
 - Moveable furniture will be purchased and placed throughout the plaza, which can be moved into the kiosk when special events are planned for the West Street Plaza.

Riverside Drive

Includes the parkway design in conjunction with the Flood Wall design by CTWCD along Riverside Drive from Booth Street to Arlington Avenue.

Truckee River Multi-use Path

Includes the design of a cantilever multiuse path along the Truckee River from Lake Street to Museum Drive to incorporate into grant funding opportunities.