

ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION REQUEST
Please Submit to Mayor's Legislative Team by noon Wednesday to
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Please mark one: **Bill Request** or **Resolution Request**

1. In the past 12 months has your agency submitted this request?

Yes No

If yes, please explain:

2. Title: *(Include a one sentence description that clearly indicates the type of request – grant acceptance, contract execution, municipal code change, supplemental request, etc.)*

Contract with H.C. Peck & Associates, Inc. for the negotiation, acquisition and relocation services related to the expansion of Federal Boulevard from 7th to Holden.

3. Requesting Agency: Division of Real Estate on behalf of Public Works.

4. Contact Person: *with actual knowledge of proposed ordinance*

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5. Contact Person: *with actual knowledge of proposed ordinance who will present the item at Mayor Council and who will be available for first and second reading, if necessary*

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6. General description of proposed ordinance including contract scope of work if applicable:

This Ordinance will grant H.C. Peck the right to perform all duties and necessary services to acquire real estate interests and relocate owners and/or tenants as part of the Federal Boulevard road expansion from 7th to Holden.

H.C. Peck will perform the above services and will be the entity paying all required acquisition, condemnation and other ROW costs for this project. The contract amount includes those “pass through” costs. Peck will be under the day to day administration of the Project Director (Giles Flanagin) or as otherwise assigned by the Project Manager in Public Works (Jim Geist).

The Project Director will manage the authorization and processing of payment requests with Public Works Administration.

Please see the attached Executive Summary for all details related to the implementation of this project.

The contract amount is to be \$13,000,000.00

Please include the following:

- a. **Duration:** Temporary easements and temporary license agreements have a duration of 1-3 years. Permanent easements exist indefinitely.
- b. **Location:** Federal Boulevard from 7th to Holden.
- c. **Affected Council District:** 3 & 9
- d. **Benefits:** Please see Executive Summary below.
- e. **Costs:** \$ 13,000,000.00

7. Is there any controversy surrounding this ordinance, groups or individuals who may have concerns about it? Please explain. None

(Completed by Mayor's Office): **Ordinance Request Number:**

Date:

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This section of Federal Boulevard currently serves large vehicular volumes, combined with high frequency bus service and significant pedestrian traffic. The road currently has substandard lane widths, a series of off-set and T-intersections, many private accesses, a narrow two-way center-turn lane, an existing lane imbalance with three southbound and two northbound through lanes, and a lack of consistent ADA compliant sidewalks. This project is part of Denver's continuing efforts to provide multimodal improvements for the entire Federal Boulevard corridor, continuing the partnership with CDOT begun with the Alameda to 5th reconstruction and continuing now with the 6th Avenue Bridges project with the next step being the reconstruction from 7th Avenue to Holden.

This project provides for the complete reconstruction of the roadway and includes the following elements: a raised median, intersection reconfiguration, curb and gutter, pedestrian amenities (including a more consistent 8' sidewalk attached sidewalk and ADA compliant ramps at intersections), as well as drainage improvements. The project will accomplish the following:

- Improve the safety (currently crash rate is 3 to 4 times higher than statewide average rates for all crash types) and efficiency of Federal Boulevard from US 6 to US 40 by providing a third northbound lane to address the existing lane imbalance through this section of Federal Boulevard.
- Widen the northbound and southbound lanes to meet AASHTO and CDOT minimum standards
- Manage access from left and right-turn movements at non-signalized points to improve safety

- Relieve traffic congestion on Federal Boulevard between US 6 and US 40 by allowing the system to operate at a level of service (LOS) considered acceptable for major arterial intersections in the Denver metropolitan area. In traffic engineering terms, this is a goal of LOS D or better during peak hours for 2035 traffic projections with regional growth

Multi-modal mobility for pedestrians, bicycles, public transit, and private/commercial vehicles along Federal Boulevard between US 6 and US 40 will be enhanced by:

- Linking with existing and planned improvements along sections of Federal Boulevard to the north and south
- Complying with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards
- Increasing pedestrian/bicycle mobility and access to bus stops along Federal Boulevard
- Enhancing vehicle, pedestrian/bicycle, and bus access to the Decatur-Federal LRT station Park-n-Ride on the West Line rail corridor.