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## CITY OF EDMONDS AWARDED \$5.21 MILLION IN FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION GRANTS

Largest Award in State for 228<sup>th</sup> St SW, SR99, and City-wide Safety Improvements

**(Edmonds - WA)** Last week the City of Edmonds was successful in obtaining \$5.21 million in federal 2012 City Safety Program funds. These grants are being made available to the City without the need for any local government matching funds and are required to be used for the following projects to improve the safety of street systems in Edmonds.

- The construction of approximately 250 feet of a missing section of roadway including sidewalks and bike lanes on 228<sup>th</sup> St SW from SR 99 to 76<sup>th</sup> Ave W
- The installation of approximately 16 themed decorative LED lighting poles and pedestrian lanterns in numerous locations along SR 99.
- The addition of traffic signals with illumination at the intersections of 76<sup>th</sup> Ave W and 228<sup>th</sup> St SW and SR 99 and 228<sup>th</sup> St SW
- The implementation of real-time adaptive signal control along SR 99 and SR 524

"These substantial City-wide Safety Improvement grants, including the single largest in the State of Washington, are a direct reflection on the quality of our skilled staff and the City's effectiveness in seeking state and federal grant funds to improve the quality of life in our community, even with the serious budgetary challenges we face" said Mayor Earling. "The end result of these infrastructure improvements is safer streets not only for cars, but for cyclists and pedestrians as well."

While currently still in the engineering design phase, all of these City-wide transportation safety improvements are expected to be completed in late 2014.

"The majority of this funding package, approximately \$4.12 million, is for construction of the new east/west connector across SR99 at 228<sup>th</sup>. This will not only enhance safety at this key intersection but it will also give Edmonds residents easy access to the multi-modal transportation center in Mountlake Terrace" said Phil Williams, Public Works and Utilities Director.

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