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**THE City of Seattle**  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT  
**CHARLES L. SMITH, MAYOR**  
AUGUST 7 1935

**DIABLE DAM OF SEATTLE'S MUNICIPALLY OWNED LIGHT AND POWER SYSTEM**

**MUNICIPALLY OWNED STREET CAR SYSTEM**

**SOURCE OF SEATTLE'S MUNICIPALLY OWNED WATER SUPPLY**

Honorable City Council,  
Seattle, Washington.

Gentlemen:

For your information, the Works Progress Administration is being asked to assist the City in the following projects, for which funds are available on the part of the City for material and equipment:

East 65th Street grading, (50th Avenue N.E. to Sand Point Way) -	\$24,300
Boyer Avenue Relief Sewer, (19th Avenue N.E. to East Lynn) -	37,000
West Prospect Street Relief Sewer, (Elliott Avenue to Olympic Place) -	6,675
West 57th Street paving, (8th Avenue N.W. to 9th Ave.N.W.) -	4,700
Total.....	\$72,675

The City Engineer has numerous other projects for which applications can be submitted to the W.P.A. whenever the City Council has indicated to what extent it will further these projects.

Under our present understanding of the operations of

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the W.P.A. they have not committed themselves to furnish equipment and material, and it is therefore evident until we have some assurance from the City Council that you will furnish funds for equipment and material it is difficult to forward applications.

I understand from the City Engineer that the Public Works Committee of the City Council has indicated its favorable inclination to recommend participation with the W.P.A. but reached no definite conclusion until further analysis of the possibility of providing funds.

The problem of applying to the WPA for labor on projects is of concern to public officials generally for the reason that it is anticipated that before the W. P. A. is in operation any considerable length of time allowances for material and equipment will have to be conceded.

To complete the record, the P. W. A. projects the city has now approved and under actual construction are as follows:

	<u>Docket No.</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Amount of Grant</u>	<u>Date Approved</u>
Leurelhurst Trunk Sewer	2417	\$302,850.00	108,000.00	7-20-34
Seward Park Trunk Sewer	2434	105,000.00	37,500.00	7-20-34
Ballard Trunk Sewer	2435	310,000.00	78,500.00	7-20-34
Arterial Highways	----	1,489,835.00	361,835.00	--

The City is also applying for additional P. W. A. projects involving the use of gas tax money. These projects have been approved by you and are now before the State Highway Department for approval. They cover the following list:

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	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Amount of Grant</u>
Wetmore Slough, Paving and Filling:	\$20,000.00	8,500.00
Albro Place et al, Paving,	20,000.00	8,500.00
McGraw Street, Bridge,	60,000.00	25,000.00
Schmitz Park Bridge,	90,000.00	38,100.00
N. 1st St., Overhead Pedestrian crossing,	9,000.00	3,500.00
Premont Bridge, Redecking	50,000.00	22,000.00

The City Engineer is also preparing additional applications to the P. W. A. for grants on the following projects:

East 65th Street, widening .....	\$16,900.00
Jacobsen Road,.....	15,500.00
Harbor Avenue S.W.....	3,000.00
Alaska Street.....	10,450.00
York Road.....	10,500.00
Orcas Street.....	<u>14,300.00</u>
Total.....	<u>70,650.00</u>

We have also filed an application for an additional P. W. A. grant on the Henderson Street Trunk Sewer Project, involving --

Henderson Street Trunk Sewer, Units Nos. 3, 4, 6 and 7 ---	297,000.00
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All of these P. W. A. projects come before you for signature at the time the application for the grant for each project is initiated.

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I earnestly urge your constant attention and cooperation in this matter as it is of vital importance to all of us that as many persons as possible be employed in our city during the coming winter.

Sincerely yours,  
Charles H. Smith  
MAYOR.

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