

PW-R-199 Neighborhood Safety and Connectivity (Levy)

Category: **Improved Mobility/Connectivity** Status: **Approved Prior**
 Department: **Transportation** Location: **Citywide**

Programmed Expenditures

Programmed Expenditures	Appropriated To Date	FY 2019 Budget	FY 2020 Budget	FY 2021 Budget	FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Budget	FY 2025 Budget
53,962,353	10,800,000	5,749,560	5,886,961	6,022,966	6,160,834	6,301,228	6,445,804	6,595,000

Description and Scope

The Transportation Department has a backlog of neighborhood safety, connectivity, sidewalk, bicycle, technology, and maintenance needs. Examples include: a backlog of neighborhood sidewalk projects identified by community members that would take more than 30 years to complete at current funding levels; backlogs of pedestrian crossing projects, traffic calming projects in neighborhoods all over the City, school traffic improvement projects, and a funding shortfall for new and upgraded bicycle facilities citywide. During the first two years, over 35 projects were identified for delivery.

This fund will help address the backlog projects and prioritized new projects in the following categories:

- Neighborhood safety projects: Provide traffic calming, reduce speed and non-local traffic, reduce potential for collisions in neighborhoods and around schools, add mid-block crossings and other crosswalks with enhanced safety features such as flashing lights, and other projects.
- New sidewalks/trails/paths: Add sidewalks and paths to provide walking access to connect neighborhoods and provide safe walks to schools, parks, shopping and other destinations.
- Technology for safety and traffic management: Improve City's capability to implement technology that improves safety, traffic flow, traveler information and other emerging technology, such as autonomous vehicles.
- Enhance maintenance: Repairs and improvements to existing transportation facilities with outstanding maintenance needs such as sidewalks, trails, slopes, walls, poles, lighting, wiring and street cleaning.
- New bike facilities: Add facilities to create a safe and connected bike network for commuting, recreation and family activities.

Rationale

In November 2016, the residents of Bellevue approved Proposition 2 which assessed a \$0.15 per \$1,000 levy to fund Neighborhood Safety, Connectivity and Congestion Reduction projects. This project addresses Council's desire to address the backlog of projects and the potential to prioritize new projects in the project categories above. Projects are either funded wholly by the Levy, leverage other existing Transportation Department programs, or utilize other City funding sources, grants, and/or private development opportunities to stretch the Levy Program investment. Levy Program funding pays for related project costs such as planning, design and public outreach, and supports an increase in staff levels to deliver projects, in accordance with the ballot measure.

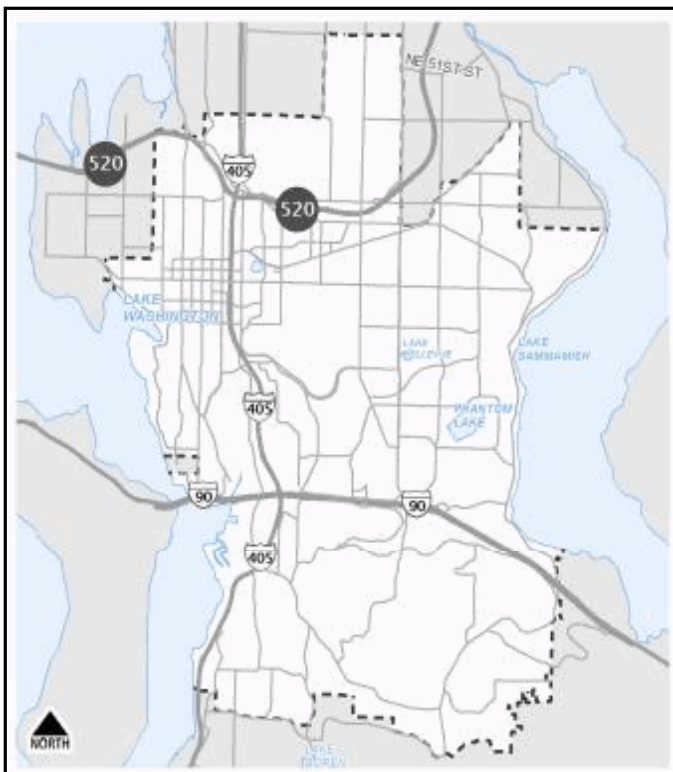
Environmental Impacts

Project-specific environmental studies may be required and will be addressed on a per-project basis

Operating Budget Impacts

Operating costs for this program will be determined on a project specific basis as required.

Project Map



Schedule of Activities

Project Activities	From - To	Amount
Project Costs	2017 - 2025	53,962,353

Total Budgetary Cost Estimate: 53,962,353

Means of Financing

Funding Source	Amount
Transportation Levy Revenue	53,962,353

Total Programmed Funding: 53,962,353
Future Funding Requirements: