UNIVERSITY/COWEN PAVING PROJECT

February 2018

PROJECT DESCRIPTION
In 2018, we plan to repave part of University Way NE (“The Ave”) / Cowen Pl NE in the University District / Ravenna to make it safer and more comfortable to travel on and to extend the useful life of the street.

This project will:
• Repave and restripe University / Cowen between NE 50th St and 15th Ave NE
• Add pedestrian crossing improvements including all-way stops and new marked crosswalks
• Make drainage improvements in select locations
• Upgrade curb ramps and sidewalk corners in select locations
• Maintain University District Farmers Market operations

See reverse for more information.

BENEFITS
We know how important it is to maintain our streets and our Paving Program helps take care of the basics by rehabilitating arterial streets each year. Arterial streets are primary routes for moving people and goods through the city. They connect neighborhoods and business districts to one another and to the regional transportation network. Keeping our transportation system in a state of good repair helps lower the cost of future maintenance.

OUTREACH
We began planning and outreach for this project in 2016. We reached out to property owners, businesses, and residents who live and work along University / Cowen to understand their needs and talk about what works and what doesn’t work about these streets. This feedback informed the design which was completed in late 2017.

NEXT STEPS
We expect to start construction in the spring of 2018 and complete the project by the end of the year. You’ll continue to hear from us throughout the construction phase. Our goal is to work with the community to limit construction impacts to the extent feasible. Please contact us with questions and to sign up for email updates.

Approved by voters in 2015, the 9-year, $930 million Levy to Move Seattle provides funding to improve safety for all travelers, maintain our streets and bridges, and invest in reliable, affordable travel options for a growing city.
LEGEND
- Paving area
- Curb ramp upgrade
- All-way stop and new striped crosswalks
- Maintain current street layout
- 15th Ave NE, between NE 55th St and Lake City Way NE, to be paved in 2019