

Time, Love, and Care for 39th Avenue S

39th Avenue S between S Juneau Street and S Graham Street

Applicant Problem

The majority of 39th Ave. S., between S. Juneau St. and S. Graham St., the sidewalks are worn and cracked due to repeated flooding and drainage issues. The problem is further worsened since there is no curb, many drivers park right on top of sidewalks without noticing the boundary between the street and sidewalk. Where the street ends and the sidewalks begins are deep, bumpy, cracked grooves in the pavement. The planting strips during the winter are pummeled into muddy craters by cars parked on them. When the cars try to leave, they are stuck in the mud, spinning their wheels creating a muddy mess.

PROJECT TYPE

Pedestrian/Drainage
Improvements

APPROXIMATE LENGTH

1,350 lf

COST ESTIMATE

\$151,490

Applicant Solution

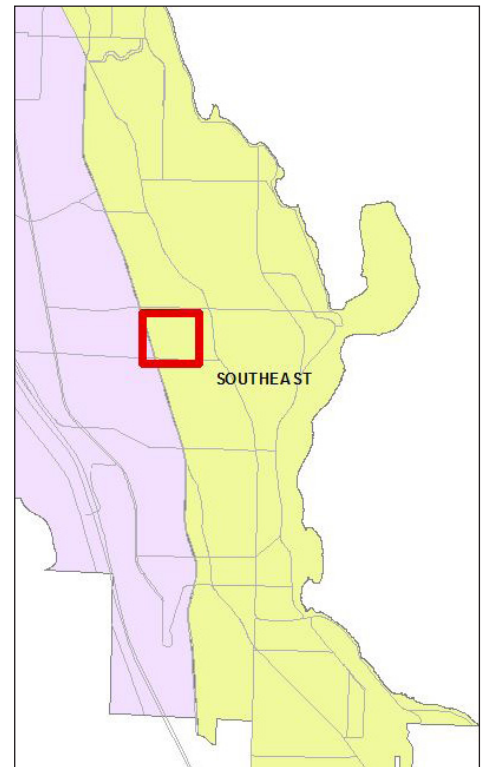
Please repair cracked pavements, install proper curbs, and fix drainage issues.



Looking north from the west side of 39th Ave S south of S Juneau St



Looking southeast near 6113 39th Ave S from the west side of the street



Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) Review

Project Description

39th Ave S is a non-arterial street with on-street parking. There is no curb on the west side of the street. The majority of the east side of the roadway has curb or wheel stops and is bordered by Aki Kurose Middle School and Brighton Playfield. There are two existing speed humps along the roadway. The east side planting strip area of 39th Ave S has recently been reconstructed and is bordered by wheel stops.

During the conceptual design phase, SDOT worked with the applicant regarding the options for repairing the sidewalk on 39th Ave S and fixing existing drainage problems. The conceptual design that added new curb along the west side of the street would also have narrowed the street in order to create more effective planting areas between the street and the sidewalk. Due to the perceived impacts of narrowing the roadway, this design was not feasible.

The proposed improvements included in this conceptual design are repairing sidewalk in poor condition on the west side of 39th Ave S near S Juneau St, adding landings at the southwest and southeast corners of 39th Ave S and S Juneau St, and repairing various shoulder areas on the west side of 39th Ave S between S Juneau St and S Graham St.

Constructability

- Coordination with adjacent property owners during construction for the placement of compacted gravel in planting strip areas used for parking

Impacts

- Some impacts during construction

Benefits

- Increased accessibility and safety for pedestrians
- Improved planting strip areas

