BACKGROUND
Earthquakes could have a significant detrimental effect on Seattle’s infrastructure. The City of Seattle established the bridge seismic retrofit program to assess the seismic vulnerability of the City’s bridges and to prioritize limited funding to reduce this transportation infrastructure vulnerability. As part of the Levy to Move Seattle, 16 bridges were selected for seismic retrofits, including the McGraw Street Bridge.

PROJECT OVERVIEW
The McGraw St Bridge is an older bridge built in 1936 and does not meet current seismic standards for bridges. We’re adding modifications to the bridge to strengthen it so it can better withstand earthquakes. Most of the work will take place underneath the bridge. The project will not affect the architectural features of the bridge, and there are no changes being made to the current use or operation of the bridge.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE AND IMPACTS
Construction is anticipated to begin in late fall 2022 and is expected to last approximately 7-8 months. During construction, people can expect:

- Full closure of the bridge during construction
- Detours for people walking, biking, rolling, and driving
- Noise, dust, vibrations, and construction equipment staged on the bridge and within the project area
- Temporary on-street parking restrictions, with "no park" signs placed 72 hours in advance
- Typical weekday work hours of 7 AM – 5 PM, Monday through Friday

Construction duration and activities are subject to change.

This project is funded by the 9-year Levy to Move Seattle, approved by voters in 2015. Learn more about the levy at www.seattle.gov/LevytoMoveSeattle.

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