TRANSPORTATION LEVY TO MOVE SEATTLE
SDOT’s mission, vision, and core values

Mission: deliver a high-quality transportation system for Seattle

Vision: connected people, places, and products

Committed to 5 core values to create a city that is:

• Safe
• Interconnected
• Affordable
• Vibrant
• Innovative
Moving Seattle forward

In early March 2015, Mayor Murray announced his 10-year vision for transportation, called Move Seattle. It’s a vision that integrates our long-term plans for walking, biking, transit, and freight into a holistic approach that contributes to a safe, interconnected, affordable, and vibrant city. A city that works for all travelers and keeps goods moving.

To help make this vision a reality, we’ll need to replace our current transportation levy (Bridging the Gap) that expires at the end of 2015.

This presentation outlines a draft proposal for a Transportation Levy to Move Seattle. We hope you’ll engage in the conversation and share your feedback.
Current levy – Bridging the Gap

9-year, $365 million levy expires in 2015
Bridging the Gap commitments

**Pedestrian/Bike Safety**
- Repair or restore 144 blocks of sidewalks
- Build 117 blocks of new sidewalks
- Restripe 5,000 crosswalks
- Create "safe routes to schools" near 30 elementary schools
- Fund neighborhood-identified street improvements
- Add 4 miles of new multi-use paths
- Support the development and implementation of a Pedestrian Master Plan
- Provide funding to implement the Bicycle Master Plan

**Maintenance**
- Rehabilitate 40-50 stairways
- Resurface, restore, or replace 200 lane-miles of arterial streets
- Rehabilitate or replace 3-5 bridges and seismically retrofit 5 additional bridges
- Prune 25,000 street trees to prevent safety and security hazards
- Plant 8,000 new street trees
- Replace over 50,000 small, faded street and regulatory signs

**Major Projects**
Fund 3 major capital improvement projects: Spokane Street Viaduct, Mercer Street Corridor, and King Street Station

**Transit**
- Secure up to 45,000 hours of new Metro Transit service
- Enhance transit and safety improvements on 3 key transit corridors
Transportation Levy to Move Seattle

Proposal aims to:

• Address today’s basic needs
• Expand the transportation system to meet tomorrow’s needs
• Create a safer, more connected and more integrated system that works for all travelers
Replacement levy proposal
9-year funding breakdown

Safe City: $350 M
Affordable City: $275 M
Interconnected City: $170 M
Vibrant City: $105 M

9-year total $900 M

Annual cost to median household $275
A safe, affordable, interconnected, vibrant Seattle
A Safe City

Implement Vision Zero: a program to eliminate serious and fatal crashes on Seattle streets

- Complete 12-15 corridor safety projects
- Complete 9-12 Safe Routes to School projects each year
- Increase crosswalk striping frequency to a 4-year or better cycle

School crossing guards near Graham Hill Elementary in the Rainier Valley
A Safe City

Protect our most vulnerable travelers – people walking and biking

• Build 50 miles of protected bike lanes and 60 miles of greenways
• Repair up to 225 blocks of damaged sidewalks
• Improve curb ramps and crossing at up to 750 intersections
• Complete the Burke-Gilman Trail Missing Link

Protected bike lane in the U District
A Safe City

Keep our bridges safe

• Eliminate the backlog of bridge spot repairs
• Seismically reinforce 16 bridges
• Replace Seattle’s last timber-supported vehicle bridge (Fairview Avenue)
• Plan and design for high priority bridge replacements beginning after 2024 (Ballard)
An Affordable City

Provide tools to help people get around without the expense of owning a car

Work with:

• businesses to ensure access to transit passes, bike share and car share memberships for commuters

• residents, landlords and developers to ensure access to transit, car share, bike share, and other travel options
An Affordable City

Maintain and modernize 250 lane miles of our hardest-working arterial streets

- Repave/reconstruct up to 180 lane-miles of arterial streets, focused on transit corridors
- Repave 65 lane-miles through spot improvements

15th Ave NE paving project (completed)
An Interconnected City

Modernize outdated streets to give people convenient and affordable travel options

- Complete 7-10 multimodal corridor projects
- Make bus service more reliable through a transit improvement program
- Optimize traffic signal timing on five corridors each year

Madison St bus rapid transit corridor
An Interconnected City

Develop better connections to light rail

- Provide funding for a Link light rail station at Graham Street
- Fund a pedestrian and bicycle bridge over I-5 connecting to light rail in Northgate
- Build pedestrian and bicycle connections to light rail stations

Northgate pedestrian/bicycle bridge
An Interconnected City

Make it easier to walk and bike in Seattle

- Build 100 new blocks of sidewalks
- Make streets without sidewalks safer and more comfortable
- Install 1,500 new bicycle parking spots citywide

On-street bicycle parking in the U District

Rendering of potential design solution for streets without sidewalks
A Vibrant City

Improve mobility for freight and delivery vehicles

• Provide local money to design and build the Lander Street Overpass
• Build the East Marginal Way corridor
• Fund a targeted spot improvement program to help freight movement

Cars and trucks on E Marginal Way
A Vibrant City

Invest in neighborhood projects

Complete 20-35 projects submitted by neighborhoods to improve safety, mobility and access and quality of life in those neighborhoods

Rendering of the Georgetown Festival Street, a project funded by the Neighborhood Street Fund
A Vibrant City

Take care of our urban forest and improve drainage in flood-prone communities

• Plant two new trees for every tree removed
• Add new City tree crew to proactively spot prune
• Partner with Seattle Public Utilities to address drainage issues in flood-prone South Park and Broadview

City crews planting street trees

Flooding in South Park
## 2015 Schedule

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Engaging the community

• Survey
• Website
• Three open houses
• Stakeholder roundtables
• Social media
• Community briefings
• Widespread media coverage and ethnic media
• Toolkit
Get Involved

• Visit the website to learn more: www.seattle.gov/LevytoMoveSeattle

• Complete the survey: www.moveseattlesurvey.com

• Attend a community conversation:
  • Saturday, March 28: New Holly Gathering Hall (7054 32nd Ave S, Seattle 98118): 10 AM - 12 PM
  • Monday, March 30: Roosevelt High School (1410 NE 66th St, Seattle 98115): 6 - 8 PM
  • Tuesday, March 31: West Seattle High School (3000 California Ave SW, Seattle 98116): 6 - 8 PM
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