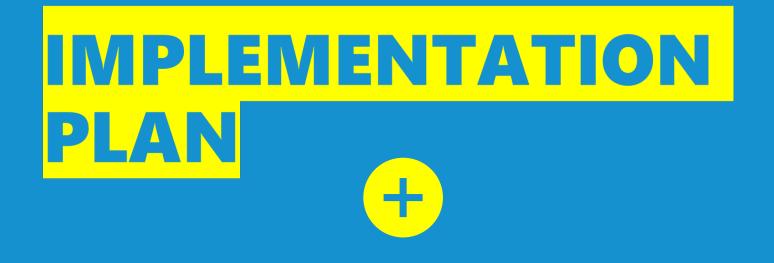
### SEATTLE TRANSPORTATION PLAN



### **SEATTLE TRANSPORTATION LEVY**

# 2025 LEVY DELIVERY PLAN

Joint Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Boards March 12, 2025



# Agenda Today's Focus

Inform & Discuss...

### **Seattle Transportation Plan**

- Implementation Plan Prep
- Relationship to Other Plans

## 2025 Levy Delivery Plan

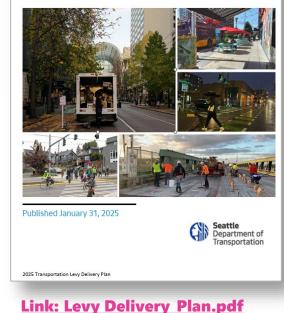
• Plan highlights and examples

### **Ongoing Engagement & Expectations**

- Next Steps & Timelines
- June Quad-Board Meeting









# **Seattle Transportation Plan**

### Council Adopted April 2024 •Directs 3-5 Yr Implementation Plan Integrates and replaces modal plans •Bike, Pedestrian, Freight, Transit Co-created over 2 years • Responsive to community input "Living" Racial Equity Toolkit

#### 9,000+ People engaged at outreach events for the STP 9,000+ Responses to surveys 170+

Social media posts

**60,000+** Total visits to the online engagement hub

**8,000+** Comments placed on the interactive maps

129+ Community events that the STP team attended

78,000+ Individual data points collected through STP engagement

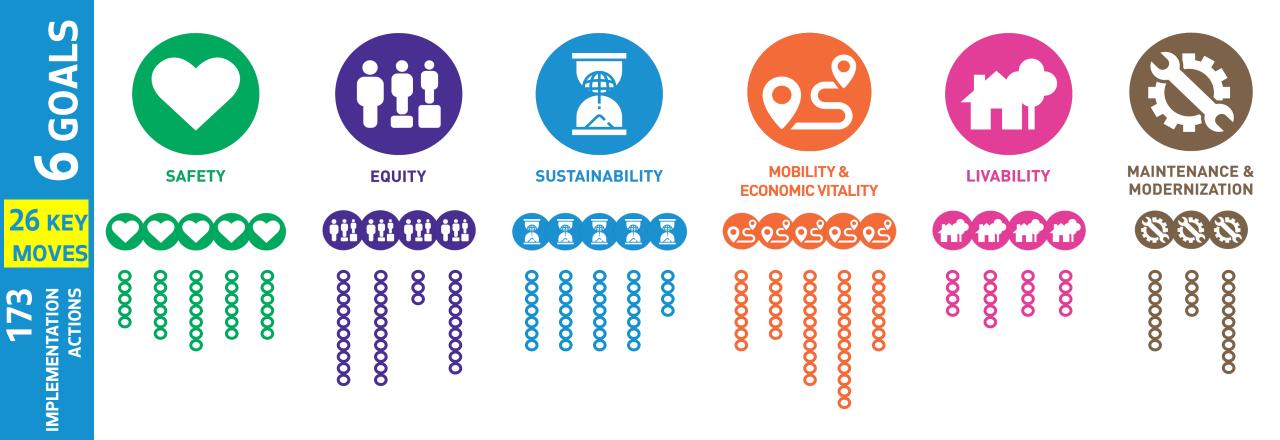


# **Seattle Transportation Plan**

### The STP establishes a 20-year vision for Seattle's transportation system.

The plan is framed by 6 Goals.

- Each **Goal** is supported by **3-5 Key Moves** —cross-cutting strategies critical to achieve our vision.
  - Each **Key Move** identifies a range of specific **o Implementation Actions** SDOT is working toward.



#### SAFETY

#### Lead with Safety (S)

**Goal:** Prioritize safety for travelers in Seattle, with no serious injury or fatal crashes

- 1. Reduce vehicle speeding to increase safety.
- 2. Focus safety investments on high-collision areas.
- 3. Make all journeys safer from start to finish.
- 4. Provide safer routes to schools, parks, transit, and community spaces.

#### EQUITY

#### Transportation Justice is Central (TJ)

**Goal:** Co-create with community and implement restorative practices to address transportation-related inequities

- 1. Center the voices of underrepresented communities in planning.
- 2. Prioritize investments in disproportionately impacted communities.
- 3. Remove cost barriers so everyone can travel as needed.
- 4. Support shifts toward non-punitive transportation enforcement.

#### **MOBILITY & ECONOMIC VITALITY**

**Connect People and Goods (PG)** 

**Goal:** Provide reliable and affordable travel options that help people and goods get where they need to go

- 1. Create seamless travel connections.
- 2. Make walking, biking, and rolling more convenient and enjoyable.
- 3. Improve access to frequent and reliable transit.
- 4. Support employment access, freight movement and delivery growth.
- 5. Manage curbspace to reflect city priorities.

#### LIVABILITY

#### Streets for People, Places We Love (PP)

**Goal:** Reimagine city streets as inviting places to linger and play

- 1. Reallocate street space to prioritize people while maintaining access for goods and emergency services.
- 2. Create welcoming community and mobility hubs.
- 3. Co-create and enhance public spaces for play and gathering.
- 4. Activate and maintain welcoming, agefriendly public spaces .

#### **SUSTAINABILITY**

#### Climate Action (CA)

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**Goal:** Respond to climate change through innovation and a lens of climate justice

- **1.** Improve air quality by promoting clean transportation options.
- 2. Green city streets with landscaping and trees.
- 3. Foster neighborhood vitality and health.
- 4. Support the transition to electric vehicles.
- 5. Encourage walking, biking, and transit trips.

#### **MAINTENANCE & MODERNIZATION**

Streets that Work, Today and in the Future (MM)

**Goal:** Improve city transportation infrastructure and ready it for the future

- 1. Maintain and modernize our transportation infrastructure.
- 2. Equitably provide neighborhoods with good-quality streets, sidewalks, public spaces, and bridges.
- 3. Prepare for emerging technologies and new mobility options.



# Overview Prior Board Input

#### **SPAB** Recommendations

- More explicit de-prioritization of personal vehicles
- Add strategies to reducing vehicle weights for safety
- Intermodal connectivity, especially on multi-lane arterials
- Elevate micromobility
- Add road deconstruction and conversion strategies
- Explicitly establish connections between proposed initiatives and ongoing, upcoming, or potential projects and actions the City is considering

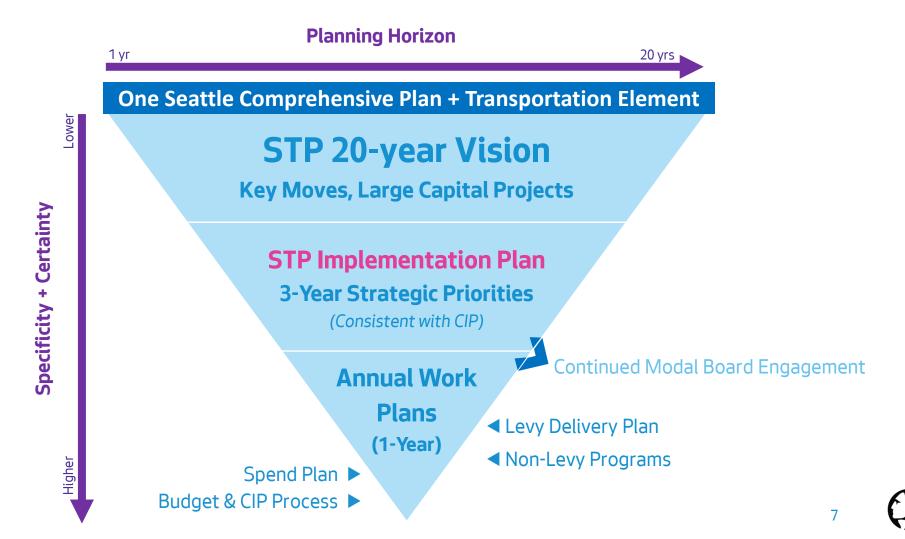
#### **SBAB Recommendations**

- Tie transportation investments to emissions reduction metrics, including propensity to reduce VMT
- Efficiency moving people via transit, walking, or other riding should be key
- Close gaps in our most important bike corridors
- Support maintenance of existing/new transportation assets
- Acknowledge EV is not a panacea for congestion and infrastructure costs

#### **Examples of Relevant STP Key Moves & Actions**

- **S1** reducing vehicle speeds/speeding
- **S3f** supporting vehicle size/weight reductions
- TJ4 self-enforcing street design; TJ4c jaywalking laws
- **TJ2e** support/build capacity with BIPOC-led active transportation groups
- **CA1g** operating the transportation system to encourage sustainable modes
- **CA2e** consider locations for de-paving
- CA3d design people-first streets
- PG1 prioritize efficient, sustainable movement of people... expand pedestrian wayfinding;
- **PG2** make walking, biking, rolling more convenient and enjoyable...
- **PP1** Reallocate street space to prioritize people; **PP1a** carfree/car-lite streets
- **PP2/3** age- and pedestrian-friendly mobility hubs, business districts
- **MM1a** maintain transportation infrastructure serving most users, on high injury networks
- MM3e adapt streets for new mobility devices; emphasis on micromobility in New & Emerging Mobility Element

# Consistency & Relationships Plan to Implementation



Seattle

Department of Transportation

### STP IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

# What to Expect

- Identifies 3-year STP Focus Areas
- Showcase of planned work
- Reports planned progress on Vision, Goals, Key Moves
- Consistent with adopted 6-year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)
- Subject to City Council review and comment
- Keep community informed
- Engagement with Modal Boards
  - Pedestrian, Bicycle, Freight, Transit





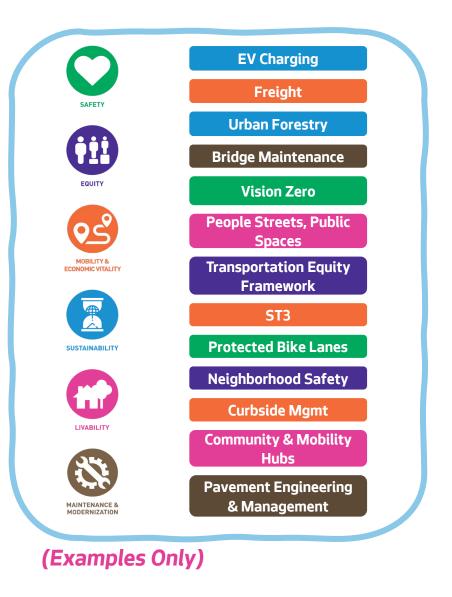
# What to Expect

### **Focus Areas:**

- Near-term (3-Year)
- Projects, Programs, Policies

### **Demonstrating Implementation:**

- Non-Exhaustive
- SDOT-wide (not just Levy funded)
- Mapping Key Moves to programs + planned work that will advance implementation
- Telling the Story; how SDOT's work aligns with the STP Goals, Key Moves + Modal Elements
- Planned progress on STP Large Capital Projects





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# Next Steps STP Implementation Plan

- May > Review Draft
- June Joint Modal Board Meeting
- Early July Final Plan > City Council

# 2025 Levy Delivery Plan Seattle Transportation Levy



# **Transportation Levies**

### We make many investments!

Largest single source of funding: **transportation levies** 

- Bridging the Gap: \$365M over 9 years (2006-2014)
- Levy to Move Seattle: \$930M over 9 years (2015-2024)
- 2024 Transportation Levy: \$1.55B over 8 years (2025-2032)

# SDOT has many additional funding sources that support our work

Seattle Transit Measure, School Safety Traffic, Real Estate Excise Tax, Street Use Funds and more!

### Types of investments funded by transportation levies:















# The life of a levy and levy delivery plan role



timelines



# Setting the foundation for large projects

The Levy Delivery Plan includes projects starting planning, design, construction, or maintenance in 2025. As some projects take 3+ years from inception through construction, work in 2025 lays the foundation for next 8 years.



#### PLANNING

- Project identified in community priorities or plan
- Typically Pre-0% design
- Planning consists of work including feasibility analyses, studies, and community engagement, which will inform how or whether a project gets built



#### DESIGN

Typically 0-100% design

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 Community engagement and outreach underway



- Planned construction start in 2025 (project may not be complete in 2025)
- Community outreach continues
- Duration and delivery method are projectdependent



- Routine SDOT activities without formal planning, design, and construction phases
- Examples include bike lane sweeping and filling potholes



# **2025 Transportation Levy Highlights**

- Expanding Vision Zero work
- Scoping, designing and building new sidewalks and sidewalk alternatives
- Establishing design contracts for bridges and structures
- Designing first maintenance and modernization corridor projects
- Investing in pre-Seattle FIFA World Cup 26<sup>™</sup>
   & Downtown activation
- Launching new levy programs



#### Program 5 – Pedestrian Safety

Pinehurst New Sidewalk Walk on January 25. The first of 10 community walks to identify 250 new blocks of accelerated sidewalks or walkways to build in the first four years of the levy.



# **Examples of Initial Work in 2025**

#### Vision Zero, School, and Neighborhood Safety



Starting construction on safety corridor projects such as on N 130<sup>th</sup> and S Henderson St; safety projects at schools, traffic calming in West and North Seattle, and more

#### **Bridges and Structures**



Design bridge structural repairs and upgrades, including on Ship Canal Bridges; continued maintenance on bridges such as cleaning

#### **Transit Corridors and Connections**



Transit spot improvements and design of improvements on highridership bus routes such as on Rainier Ave S and Beacon Ave S



# **Examples of initial work in 2025**

## Street Maintenance and Modernization



Maintenance paving, such as panel replacements and filling potholes

#### **Bicycle Safety**



Regular bike lane maintenance and improved bike lane barriers at locations including 5th and Main to Jackson, Banner Way, and Gilman Ave W

#### **People Streets and Public Spaces**



Symphony Block artist selection and early art delivery. (Catenary lights on the Pine to Stewart block)



# **Transportation Levy Funding by Program**

Levy Program	8-Year Appropriation	2025 Appropriation
Vision Zero, School and Neighborhood Safety	\$160.5 million	\$16.1 million
Street Maintenance and Modernization	\$403 million	\$43.0 million
Bridges and Structures	\$221 million	\$19.0 million
Transit Corridors and Connections	\$151 million	\$12.6 million
Pedestrian Safety	\$189 million	\$28.9 million
Signals and Operations	\$100 million	\$11.7 million
Bicycle Safety	\$133.5 million	\$16.3 million
People Streets and Public Spaces	\$66.5 million	\$10.2 million
Climate and Resiliency	\$69 million	\$11.0 million
Freight and Goods Movement	\$45 million	\$3.7 million
Good Governance and Equitable Implementation Initiative	\$7.5 million	\$2.2 million
Council District Fund*	\$4 million	\$2.0 million
Total	\$1.55 billion	\$176.8 million

\*Not included in Appendix A, this item was added during the budget process in fall 2024



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# Levy Proviso Lift

- The Council enacted a \$89M Proviso on Levy funds during the 2025 Budget
- Proviso lift legislation approved by Select Budget Committee 8-0; full Council vote this week
- Level of detail in Levy Delivery Plan increased compared with previous annual levy workplans
- Council input received before Delivery Plan was finalized

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				authorization would be granted after SDOT has				
				proactively engaged the Council in the development				
				of detailed spending plans for Transportation Levy				
				programs."				



# **Overall Project Selection**

- Program goals
- Equity
- Number of people who benefit
- Geographic distribution
- Optimal investment timing and leveraging opportunities
- Community co-creation opportunity

Plans and policies guiding program goals and priorities:

- One Seattle Comprehensive Plan
- SDOT's Seattle Transportation Plan
- SDOT's Asset Management Strategy
- SDOT's Transportation Equity Framework



## **Bike Safety: Levy Commitments**

#### **\$20M** Neighborhood Greenways

Create bicycle connections for all ages and abilities with at least 5 new neighborhood greenways on residential streets with a focus on K-8 public schools

#### \$8M Bike Lane Maintenance

Maintain existing protected bike lanes with regular sweeping and barrier repair

#### \$67.5M Protected Bike Lanes

Add concrete-protected bike lanes as part of paving projects, closing gaps in AAA bicycle network with focus on improving connections throughout South Seattle.

#### \$8M Upgraded Bike Lanes

Upgrade 30% of existing protected bike lanes with improved barriers or buffer areas

#### \$10M Bike Spot Improvements

Make safety improvements to existing bike lanes, trails and neighborhood greenways

**\$20M** Complete the Burke-Gilman Trail Missing Link Support design and construction completing the Burke-Gilman Trail Missing Link along NW Market St and Leary Way NW

#### See 2025 projects in full 2025 Levy Delivery Plan.pdf

### **Projects identified in Attachment A:** *Transportation Levy Spending Breakdown*

#### **Neighborhood Greenways**

• NW 6th Ave from NW 58th St to Carkeek Park

#### **Protected Bike Lanes**

- N 130th St
- S Henderson St
- Beacon Ave S (Middle and Southern segments)
- Highland Park Way SW
- Cleveland High School Swift Ave S protected bike lane and Georgetown S Albro Pl Connection
- Chief Sealth Trail: S Myrtle St to S Webster St
- 12th Ave/12th Ave S: E Madison St to Jose Rizal Bridge
- Protected Bike Lane Project in West Seattle to be named in honor of Steve Hulsman



## **Ped Safety: Levy Commitments**

- **\$111M** New Sidewalks and Sidewalk Alternatives Support construction of at least 350 blocks of new sidewalks, (see attachment A for additional provisions)
  - 250 delivered in first 4 years

#### \$34M Sidewalk Safety Repair

Make up to approximately 34,000 spot repairs to sidewalks.

#### \$30M ADA Program

Contribute to building 10,000 new ADA-accessible curb ramps citywide (combines with other funds and projects to reach 1,250 annual ramps required by Consent Decree)

#### **\$4M** Stairways

Complete up to 9 stairway repairs or expansions

#### \$14M Crossing Improvements

Make improvements at street crossings, including upgraded crosswalks, visibility improvements, pedestrian crossing signals, and more

#### See 2025 projects in full 2025 Levy Delivery Plan.pdf

### **Projects identified in Attachment A:** *Transportation Levy Spending Breakdown*

New Sidewalks & Sidewalk Alternatives

- 1st Ave NE: NE 120th St NE 130th St
- SW Brandon St: 26th Ave SW to 30th Ave SW
- NE Ravenna Blvd: 12th Ave NE to Brooklyn Ave NE
- Renton Ave S: 35th Ave S to S Dawson St
- Greenwood Ave N: N 112th St to N 117th St
- Gilman Ave W: W Manor Pl to 28th Ave W
- NE 130th St Light Rail Station walkshed
- 30th Ave NE: complete missing sections between NE
   127th St to NE 145th St

#### **Crossing Improvements:**

- 5th Ave NE and NE Banner Way
- Rainier Ave S and S Henderson St
- 35th Ave NE
- 11th Ave E and E Aloha St
- N 137 St and Roosevelt Way N



### **Ongoing Modal Board Engagement**

### **Project Engagement**

- Community Outreach & Support
- Community Walks / Ride
- Grant Letters of Support

### Levy Oversight Committee (LOC) Participation

### **Steward STP Bicycle and Pedestrian Elements**

- Monitor implementation activities
- Serve as a resource for City Council on STP Bicycle and Pedestrian Element and implementation activities
- Make recommendations on bicycle/pedestrian mobility, including plans, project development, and maintenance (i.e., Find it, Fix it)





# **Next Steps**

# **STP Implementation Plan**

- May: Circulate Review Draft
- June: Joint Modal Board Meeting
- July-Aug: Presentation of Final Plan to Council
  - Updated at least every 4 years

# **Levy Delivery Plan**

- Select Levy Oversight Committee (LOC)
  - Member recruitment underway
  - 1st meeting in June
- Plan, design and build projects
- Next LDP due January 31, 2026





# **Questions?**

### **Potential STP Discussion Topics**

- Which STP key moves do you consider to be the highest priority for people who bike and walk?
- Which upcoming projects, programs, or policy initiatives do you view as most impactful toward implementing the STP?
- What would you like to get out of our Joint Modal Board meeting in June?



