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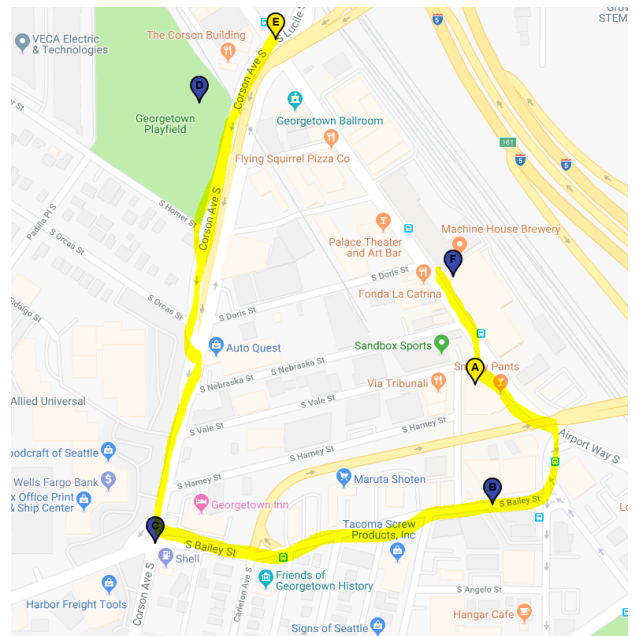
Mayor Durkan recently launched a pre-summer emphasis program in seven neighborhoods, including Georgetown, to improve public safety and address community maintenance needs. The Seattle Police Department (SPD) and City departments are deploying additional resources and taking immediate steps to enhance SPD response and address small scale maintenance needs, like replacing streetlights, trimming trees, removing graffiti, and removing illegally dumped debris. Directors from numerous City departments, in partnership with the Georgetown Merchants Association (GMA), joined business and community members for a business area walk to identify ongoing issues.

Today, I'm happy to update you on what has taken place since the walk on May 9th. Below is an issue tracker, compiled from comments gathered from walk participants, detailing issues raised and reviewed and the current status of each. You'll also find resource tips and links to City services at the bottom of this document, so you can access available services to help keep your neighborhood safe, clean, and vibrant.

Public Safety:

The Seattle Police Department has been working with the Georgetown community as the neighborhood has seen increased activity. The department has committed substantial resources to the community in recent months, with the additional city resources added through the recent holistic focus helping to make substantial progress on addressing underlying issues.

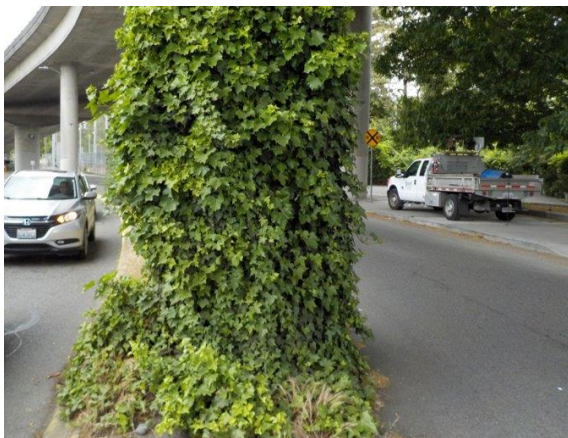
- In the most recent 28 days, officer proactivity was up 80% compared to same period in 2018.
- Overall, through the first half of 2019, proactive activity is up almost 10%
- During this specific initiative, officers have made 15 contacts in the Georgetown area, including work entirely by the Ocean Sector Emphasis. This work has resulted in:
 - 1 booking
 - 2 tickets
 - 7 warnings
- 20 Traffic contacts, including 10 citations
- In the most recent 28 days, there have been 2 additional reported property crimes (some overlap with the SODO police beat), as well as 36 fewer (-56%) non-major crimes reported.
- Over 1,000 emphasis hours have been used since the beginning of May (SODO and Georgetown)



Planned Georgetown neighborhood walk route.

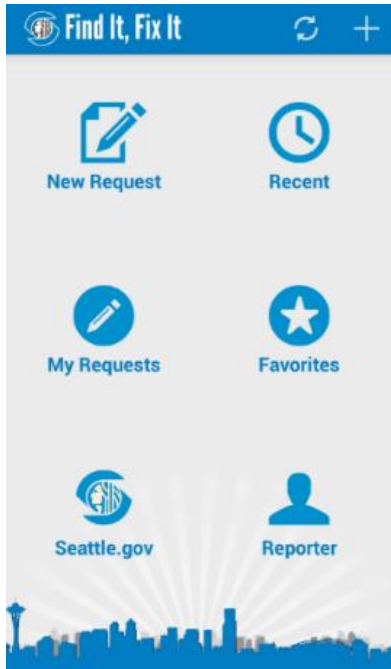
Small Scale Maintenance:

| Issue/Request | Location | Timeline | Notes |
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| Signs missing | S Harvey St & 12th Ave S | Completed. | Replaced stop sign and no parking signs. (SDOT) |
| Pedestrian safety issues | Corson Ave S & S Michigan St | Completed. | Installed new sign and new stop bar. (SDOT) |
| Signs damaged and missing | Corson Ave S & Airport Way S | Completed. | Re-installed missing railroad crossing sign and replaced bike signs on post. (SDOT) |
| ADA Compliance with signage, markings and railroad track conditions | Railroad Tracks | Pending. | Contacted railroad owner to discuss repair and next steps. Will update when more information becomes available. (SDOT) |
| Blackberry overgrowth | Corson Ave S & S Carstens Place | Completed. | Cut back blackberry bushes, one-time only. (SDOT) |
| Vegetation overgrowth | Corson Ave S median West of Airport Way | Completed. | Cut back edges, trimmed ivy, cut down Alianthus and Buddlea plants. (SDOT) |
| Homelessness, encampments, RV/vehicular living | S Harney St & S Corson Ave S | Completed | Navigation team cleaned encampment on May 2 nd ; RVs were tagged weekly during week of May 13-17th. (HSD) |



Before and after removal of ivy from freeway column in Georgetown.

Community Resources:



Find It, Fix It -- Service Request Mobile App

<https://www.seattle.gov/customer-service-bureau/find-it-fix-it-mobile-app>

"Find It, Fix It" is a smartphone app offering mobile users one more way to report selected issues to the City of Seattle including illegal dumping, street light outages, potholes, and sharps/needles, among others.

With Find It, Fix It, reporting an issue is as easy as snapping a photo with your smartphone, adding detailed information, and hitting submit. The map's "drag and drop" feature or the phone's technology can be used to pinpoint the location.

Neighborhood Traffic Operations – Seattle Department of Transportation

<http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/neighborhoodtraffic.htm>

Neighborhood Traffic Operations (NTO) helps ensure safe traffic operations on Seattle's neighborhood streets. Staff respond to resident's questions and concerns regarding speeding, traffic safety, traffic signs, and similar issues. More information is available on the [Traffic Circle Program](#) page.

Crime Prevention Coordinators – are experts in crime prevention techniques. You can talk to them about outgoing crime problems in your neighborhood, getting involved in Block Watch and setting up a meeting to train you and your neighbors on crime prevention tips.

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Block Watch – <https://www.seattle.gov/police/community-policing/block-watch>

AlertSeattle – <https://alert.seattle.gov/>

The official emergency notification system used by the City of Seattle to communicate with city residents during emergencies. Sign up to receive free alerts from the City via text message, email, voice message, or social media.

Adopt-A-Street – Seattle Public Utilities (SPU)

<http://www.seattle.gov/utilities/environment-and-conservation/our-city/adopt-a-street>

Promotes civic responsibility and community pride as well as enhances Seattle's quality of life through clean streets and beautiful neighborhoods.

Report discarded needles, syringes, and other sharps – Customer Service Bureau

<http://www.seattle.gov/customer-service-bureau/hazardous-materials-reporting>

If you find discarded needles, syringes and other sharps in *Seattle city limits*, you can report it to the City by calling the [Customer Service Bureau](http://www.seattle.gov/customer-service-bureau/hazardous-materials-reporting), 206-684-2489 (CITY), for advice or report it on the Find It Fix It smartphone app.

Next Steps:

This is just the beginning! There's more work to be done. In the weeks ahead, City departments will continue to work on issues raised at each walk. The Seattle Department of Neighborhoods remains committed to connecting people to needed services and programs. Over the next few weeks, we'll be updating and sharing this tracker as more issues are completed.

Again, thank you for your commitment to improving your community. Please reach out to me at andres.mantilla@seattle.gov if you have any questions.



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