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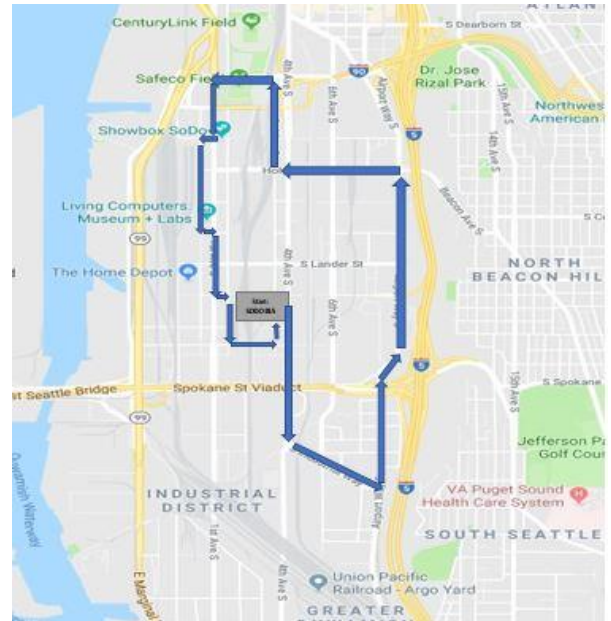
Mayor Durkan recently launched a pre-summer emphasis program in seven neighborhoods, including SODO, to improve public safety and address community maintenance needs. The Seattle Police Department (SPD) and City departments are deploying additional resources and taking immediate steps to enhance SPD 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 SODO Business Improvement Area (BIA), 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 closely monitored and responded to a persistent increase in criminal activity and disorder during 2018. The addition of the other city resources brought valuable problem-solving opportunities, especially when coupled with further increases in police department staffing.

- In the most recent 28 days, officer proactive work was up 59% compared to same period in 2018.
- Through the first half of 2019, office proactive work is up 39%
- During this specific initiative, officers have made 122 contacts in the SODO area, including work primarily by the SODO Emphasis (Ocean Sector). This work has resulted in:
 - 11 jail bookings
 - 3 vehicle taggings
 - 1 ITA
 - 46 warnings
 - 7 citations
 - 1 LEAD referral
- 226 Traffic contacts, including 179 citations
- In the most recent 28 days, reported property crime in the area is down 7 incidents (-9%), while all non-major crime is down 119 incidents (-70%).
- Over 1,000 emphasis hours have been used since the beginning of May (SODO and Georgetown)



Planned business community walk route.



Business leader talks to City representatives about public safety issues in SODO.

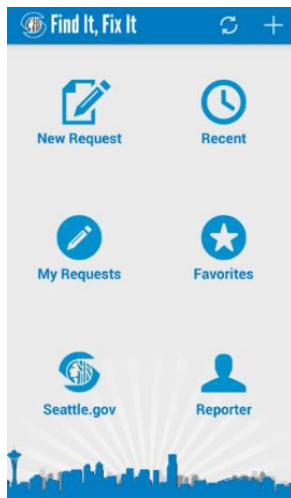
Small Scale Maintenance:

Issue/Request	Location	Timeline	Notes
Unmaintained greenways are fully overgrown	6th & Industrial – between 4th & Airport Way	Completed	This is a routine mowing location for SDOT, mowing has been delayed due to encampments. SDOT will mow as much as reasonable without affecting public safety. Ongoing maintenance will happen once encampments are addressed and moved out of the median. (SDOT)
Parking availability for trucks is an issue, although new 4-hour parking has helped	6th & Industrial	Pending	SDOT working with SODO BIA on parking changes including time limits if they are thought to be appropriate for the area. (SDOT)
Add load zone for Evergreen Treatment Services	Airport Way S and S Massachusetts	Completed	Installed new load zones on Airport Way S by Evergreen Treatment Services and a few spaces on the west side of Airport Way. (SDOT)

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RVs parked along side of road, now totaling more than 20 vehicles	Occidental Ave S just south of S Lander St	Ongoing	SDOT reached out to SODO BIA for more information on requested action. Update pending. (SDOT)
Illegal parking signs placed on west side of Occidental Ave S	Occidental Ave S south of S Lander St	Completed	Field check completed, SDOT sent warning letters to property owners and will track responses and any additional complaints. (SDOT)
Parking change request	3 rd Ave South; north of S Holgate St (Outdoor Emporium)	Pending	Reached out to SODO BIA asking for update and if there were any specific parking changes being requested. (SDOT)

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), 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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