

PW-R-199 Neighborhood Safety & Connectivity (Levy)

Category: **Improved Mobility-Connectivity** Status: **New**
 Department: **Transportation** Location: **Citywide**

Programmed Expenditures

Programmed Expenditures	Appropriated To Date	FY 2017 Budget	FY 2018 Budget	FY 2019 Budget	FY 2020 Budget	FY 2021 Budget	FY 2022 Budget	FY 2023 Budget
37,800,000	-	5,400,000	5,400,000	5,400,000	5,400,000	5,400,000	5,400,000	5,400,000

Description and Scope

The Transportation Department has a backlog of neighborhood safety, connectivity, sidewalk, bicycle, technology, and maintenance needs. Examples include: a backlog of 30-plus neighborhood sidewalk projects identified by community members that would take more than 30 years to complete at current funding levels; backlogs of 55 pedestrian crossing projects, 35 traffic calming projects in neighborhoods and 12 school traffic improvement projects; and a funding shortfall for 52 identified projects that would provide 57 miles of new or upgraded bike facilities citywide.

This fund will help address the backlog projects and prioritized new projects in the following categories:

- **Neighborhood safety projects:** Provide traffic calming, reduce speed and non-local traffic, reduce potential for collisions in neighborhoods and around schools, add mid-block crossings and other crosswalks with enhanced safety features such as flashing lights, and other projects;
- **New sidewalks/trails/paths:** Add sidewalks and paths to provide walking access to connect neighborhoods and provide safe walks to schools, parks, shopping and other destinations;
- **Technology for safety and traffic management:** Improve city's capability to implement technology that improves safety, traffic flow, traveler information and other emerging technology, such as autonomous vehicles;
- **Enhance maintenance:** Repairs and improvements to existing transportation facilities with outstanding maintenance needs such as sidewalks, trails, slopes, walls, poles, lighting, wiring and street cleaning; and
- **New bike facilities:** Add facilities to create a safe and connected bike network for commuting, recreation and family activities.

Rationale

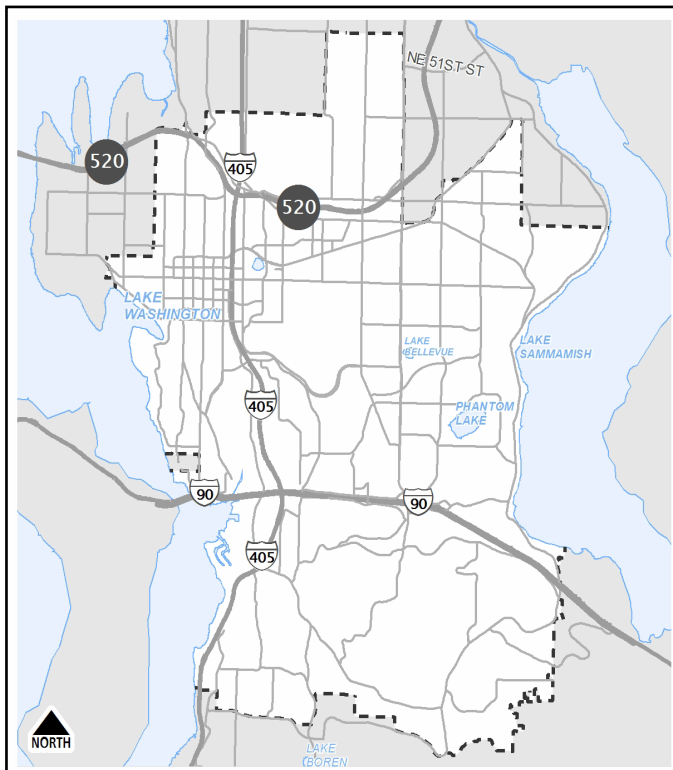
In November 2016, the residents of Bellevue approved Bellevue Proposition 2 which assessed a \$0.15 per \$1000 levy to fund Neighborhood Safety, Connectivity and Congestion Management projects. This project addresses Council's desire to address the backlog of projects and potential prioritized new projects in the project categories above. Funds may be used to leverage other funding sources and as a supplement to existing programs that seek to address issues within these project categories.

Environmental Impacts

Project-specific environmental studies may be required and will be addressed on a per-project basis.

Operating Budget Impacts

Operating costs for this program will be determined on a project specific basis as required. Depending on the specific infrastructure constructed, costs may include street lighting/signal (electricity) and maintenance of the roadway and landscaping.

Project Map**Schedule of Activities**

Project Activities	From - To	Amount
Project Costs	2017 - 2023	37,800,000

Total Budgetary Cost Estimate: 37,800,000

Means of Financing

Funding Source	Amount
Neighborhood Safety, Conn. & Cong. Levy	37,800,000

Total Programmed Funding: 37,800,000
Future Funding Requirements:

Comments