

# Seattle Plays Streets Program



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# Our 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

For **all**

# Presentation overview

- Background
- Legislation
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# Background

Pilot launched in 2014 with goal of streets for:

- Safe, active play
- Social interaction
- Increased public space
- Maintaining access



# Legislation

Clarify a potential point of confusion between two code sections

- SMC 11.16.125 - SDOT Director granted authority to permit the closing of streets
- SMC 11.40.260 - Prohibits “any sport, amusement or exercise or play” in roadway
- Amendment to SMC 11.40 acknowledging SDOT’s existing permitting authority by noting that play in the roadway is allowed with an SDOT closure permit





# Next steps

Date	Activity/action
Spring 2017	Outreach for geographic equity
Summer 2017	Demonstration play streets

# Questions?

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