

2020 Seattle City Council Statement of Legislative Intent

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Budget Action Title: Request that SDOT provide a status report on implementation of District 5 transportation priorities

Ongoing: Yes

Primary Sponsor: Debora Juarez

Council Members:

Staff Analyst: Calvin Chow

Date		Total	LH	BH	KS	AP	DJ	MO	SB	TM	LG
	Yes	0									
	No	0									
	Abstain	0									
	Absent	0									

Statement of Legislative Intent:

Council requests that SDOT provide a report detailing the department's progress on improving pedestrian safety in Seattle's District 5. The progress report should address the following projects and outstanding questions:

(1) Progress made toward major pedestrian infrastructure improvement projects in District 5 and requested improvements by District 5 constituents:

(A) Sidewalks missing from 36 blocks of Aurora Ave, between 85th and 145th

- (i) Progress toward WSDOT Planning Grant application
- (ii) Ideas on how to fund the estimated \$23-28 million cost

(B) Sidewalks missing from Greenwood Ave N, at 133rd-134th and 115th-117th

(C) Northgate/I-5 Pedestrian Bike Bridge

(D) Lake City Way, between 125th and 130th

- (i) Update on speed reduction request to WSDOT
- (ii) Signage to improve design
- (iii) Improvements to leading pedestrian intervals

(E) Pedestrian Crossings near Northaven Senior Living

- (i) 5th Ave NE & Northgate Way – SE corner is too steep for seniors with walkers and scooters
- (ii) Vehicles turning into elders in the crosswalk because of light duration
- (iv) Missing crosswalk on 8th Ave NE b/w Northgate Way & 115th St NE

(F) Sacajawea Elementary School (Safe Routes to Schools)

- (i) Overview of projects completed and if there was a reduction in incidents
- (ii) Cost-effective walkway progress at NE 90th n/w 17th and 20th Ave NE
- (iii) Alternatives for NE 97th and NE 98th Street

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- (G) 125th Safety Improvements
 - (i) Pedestrian signal at 125th and 28th and other Neighborhood Street Fund improvements
- (H) Vision Zero projects in District 5
- (I) Broadview-Thomson K-8
 - (i) Prioritize the 9 recommendations from the Safe Routes to School Walking Audit based on need and cost
 - (ii) Identify how these projects fit into existing priorities and resources
- (2) What are the current best practices to improve pedestrian safety and how are they being implemented in District 5?
- (3) Is there data on how recent (since 2015) pedestrian infrastructure improvements in District 5 have worked and reduced injuries and/or deaths?
- (4) What is the timeline for all the current pedestrian infrastructure projects in District 5?
- (5) How are the City's current initiatives and programs (Vision Zero, Levy to Move Seattle, Safe Routes to Schools) intersecting to improve safety in District 5?
- (6) Please identify unfunded items in pedestrian safety projects in District 5, and the cost estimate to complete.
- (7) Which projects for improving pedestrian safety in District 5 have the highest priority but are unfunded?
- (8) How is SDOT working with regional government entities (WSDOT, Sound Transit, etc.) to fund and construct pedestrian improvements in District 5?
- (9) What are the recommendations for District 5 improvements from the Boards and Commissions that are related to pedestrian safety? (e.g. Levy to Move Seattle Oversight Committee, Seattle School Traffic Safety Committee, Seattle Pedestrian Advisory Board, etc.)

Council requests that SDOT report to the Sustainability and Transportation Committee (or successor committee), Councilmember Juarez, and the Central Staff Director by June 30, 2020.

Responsible Council Committee(s):

Sustainability & Transportation

Date Due to Council: June 30, 2020