

August 12, 2021

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Transportation and Utilities Committee  
**From:** Calvin Chow, Analyst  
**Subject:** Council Bill 120159 - SDOT Grant Acceptance Legislation

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On August 18, 2021, the Transportation and Utilities Committee will consider and possibly vote on Council Bill (CB) 120159. This legislation would authorize the Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) to accept six grants totaling approximately \$40.5 million. The legislation would also provide \$2.2 million of additional appropriation authority to support these grants. The legislation would approve acceptance of the following grants:

1. A \$11,250,600 Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (INFRA) grant for West Seattle Bridge repairs.
2. A \$12,000,000 Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) grant for West Seattle Bridge repairs.
3. A \$10,000,000 Port of Seattle grant for West Seattle Bridge repairs.
4. A \$5,000,000 King County grant for West Seattle Bridge repairs.
5. A \$700,000 Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) grant for 15<sup>th</sup> Ave S.
6. A \$1,500,000 WSDOT grant for planning and design of pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements on Aurora Ave N.

Grants #1 through #4 would provide approximately \$38.3 million for the West Seattle Bridge [repair](#). SDOT has sufficient 2021 appropriations for the project in the West Seattle Bridge Immediate Response (MC-TR-C110) CIP project. SDOT is scheduled to complete repairs and reopen the bridge to traffic by mid-2022.

Grant #5 would add \$700,000 of additional PSRC contingency funding for the 15<sup>th</sup> Ave S arterial repaving [project](#). The project is currently under construction as part of the Arterial Asphalt and Concrete Program (MC-TR-C033) in the CIP with PSRC grant funding. The legislation would provide \$700,000 of 2021 appropriations to authorize spending of the additional grant funds.

Grant #6 would provide \$1.5 million to the Vision Zero (MC-TR-C064) CIP project to design pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements to Aurora Ave N. The legislation would provide \$1.5 million of 2021 appropriations to authorize spending of these funds.

Section 3 of this legislation includes a ratify and confirm clause to allow SDOT to minimize delay in accepting funds from the granter agencies. Central Staff has not identified any policy concerns with this legislation and recommends approval.

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