

# 2021 Seattle City Council Budget Action

Council Budget Action: Agenda

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**Budget Action Title:** Pass CB 119930 - SDOT Move Seattle Categorical Spending Ordinance

Ongoing: Yes Has Budget Proviso: No

Has CIP Amendment: No Has Attachment: No

Primary Sponsor: Budget Committee

Council Members:

Staff Analyst: Calvin Chow

Council Bill or Resolution: CB 119930

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**Budget Action Description:**

This budget action recommends passage of CB 119930, which would authorize a change in the Seattle Department of Transportation's (SDOT's) Levy to Move Seattle funding levels for the designated spending categories established in the levy.

The 2015 voter-approved Levy to Move Seattle (authorized by Ordinance 124796) established three spending categories (Safe Routes, Congestion Relief, and Maintenance and Repair) for levy proceeds with designated cumulative funding amounts over the nine year term of the measure. While the Levy to Move Seattle funding remains relatively stable, other transportation revenue sources have declined with the response to the COVID-19 pandemic and resulting economic recession. SDOT leverages the Levy to Move Seattle funds with these other transportation revenues to deliver a portfolio of Move Seattle projects. In response to the overall reduction of total funding for these Move Seattle projects, SDOT has proposed revisions to the Levy to Move Seattle spending categories to deliver a revised Move Seattle project portfolio reflected in the 2021-2026 Capital Improvement Program.

Adjusting the Levy to Move Seattle spending categories would require the Council's approval by ordinance. The Levy to Move Seattle Oversight Committee reviewed this proposal at their October 6, 2020 meeting and provided written comment to the Council (letter dated October 19, 2020) in support of the proposal.