

# First Hill Park Reallocation of Funding

For Park Redesign and Improvement Project

Civic Development, Public Assets and Native Communities Committee

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Seattle Parks and Recreation



City of Seattle

# First Hill Park: Vicinity Map

First Hill Park:  
Corner of University  
St. & Minor Ave. E,  
in dense, urban  
neighborhood



# First Hill Park: Reallocation of Funding

- Legislation reallocates \$500,000 from Acquisition category to Opportunity Fund category in the 2008 Parks and Green Spaces Levy
- Because of scarce opportunities and high land costs, Seattle Parks and Recreation wasn't able to buy property in this neighborhood
- The funding will meet a shortfall in the First Hill Park redesign project
- Initiated by the First Hill Improvement Association, the project received grants from the Dept. of Neighborhoods for design and a \$500,000 contribution from a Swedish Medical Center street vacation, but needs \$500,000 to complete the project as designed. Total project budget is \$1 million.



# First Hill Park Redesign

Redesign adds:

- New pathways
- Gathering areas
- Lighting
- Benches
- Play features

**Pending funding, construction is expected to begin in 2019**



# First Hill Park Redesign View Looking South



# First Hill Park Redesign: View Looking East



# Questions?

