



# SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

## Transportation and Seattle Public Utilities

### Agenda

Tuesday, February 1, 2022

9:30 AM

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**A. Call To Order**

**B. Approval of the Agenda**

**C. Public Comment**

**D. Items of Business**

**1. SDOT and SPU Winter Storm After-Action Report**

Supporting  
Documents:

[SPU Presentation](#)  
[SDOT Presentation](#)

**Briefing and Discussion**

**Presenters:** Kristen Simpson, Interim Director, Rodney Maxie, Gerard Green, and Darren Morgan, Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT); Andrew Lee, Interim General Manager/CEO, Tanya Treat, and Hans VanDusen, Seattle Public Utilities (SPU)

**2. SDOT Safe Starts Outdoor Permits Program Update**

Supporting  
Documents:

[Presentation](#)

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3.     [CB 120256](#)     **AN ORDINANCE relating to street and sidewalk use; amending Ordinance 126474 and the Street Use Permit Fee Schedule authorized by Section 15.04.074 of the Seattle Municipal Code; and amending Section 2 and Section 3 of Ordinance 126339.**

Attachments:    [Attachment A - Table A2, Uses with No Base Permit Fee](#)

Supporting

Documents:    [Summary and Fiscal Note](#)

**Briefing and Discussion**

**Presenter:** Calvin Chow, Council Central Staff

## E. Adjournment



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Presentation: SDOT and SPU Winter Storm After-Action Report



# Seattle City Council Transportation and Seattle Public Utilities Committee SPU Winter Weather Response – Dec. 21/Jan. 22

*February 1, 2022*

# Recent Winter Weather Challenges

## Solid waste service interruption and Recovery

- City-wide
- Caused by snow and persistent ice
- December 26- January 15

## Flooding and sewer backups

- South Park
- Caused by 10-year storm event plus King Tide
- January 7

## Landslides

- City-wide
- Caused by precipitation placing Seattle over Landslide Threshold
- January 7 - 10



# Solid Waste Service Interruption Summary

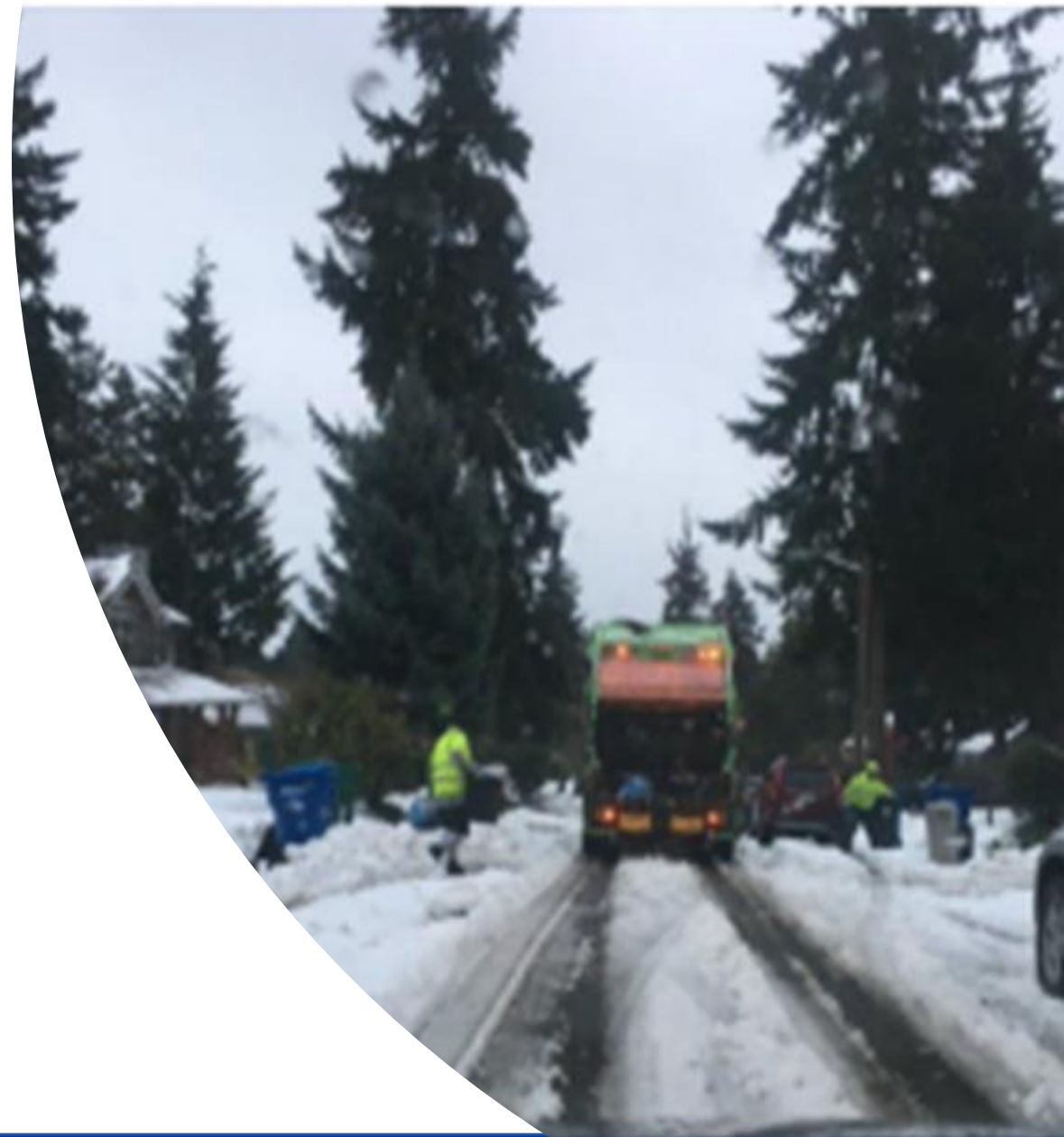
- Most waste pickups postponed during the week of Dec 27-Jan 1
- SPU & Contractors work to maximize services, but with a focus on safety to public, property, and staff
- SPU Stations stayed open – except for brief closure Sun Dec 26 and early am on Dec 27





# Service Interruption Recovery

- Most scheduled services recovered during the week of Jan 3-8
- Overtime routes recovered some of 'off-week' postponed every other week recycling, but most (80%) were delayed to next scheduled pickup.
- All services were fully recovered by end of secondary recovery week Jan 10-15



# SPU Activity Summary

- Coordinated recovery with vendors & departments, confirming priorities & aligning impacted facilities.
- Deployed steady and robust customer alerts and communication on service status and impacts.
- Provided free tips at SPU stations for customers missed twice.
- No charges for extra set-out during recovery weeks.
- Performance penalties for any delay in recovery during safe conditions. Minor payment adjustment for postponed services.

**What to Do with Your Collection Carts in Case of Winter Weather**

Set them out & leave them out the following day

If they haven't been collected by the end of the following day, bring them in & set them back out on the next collection day

\*You can set out 2x as much for no extra charge

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# Response Assessment

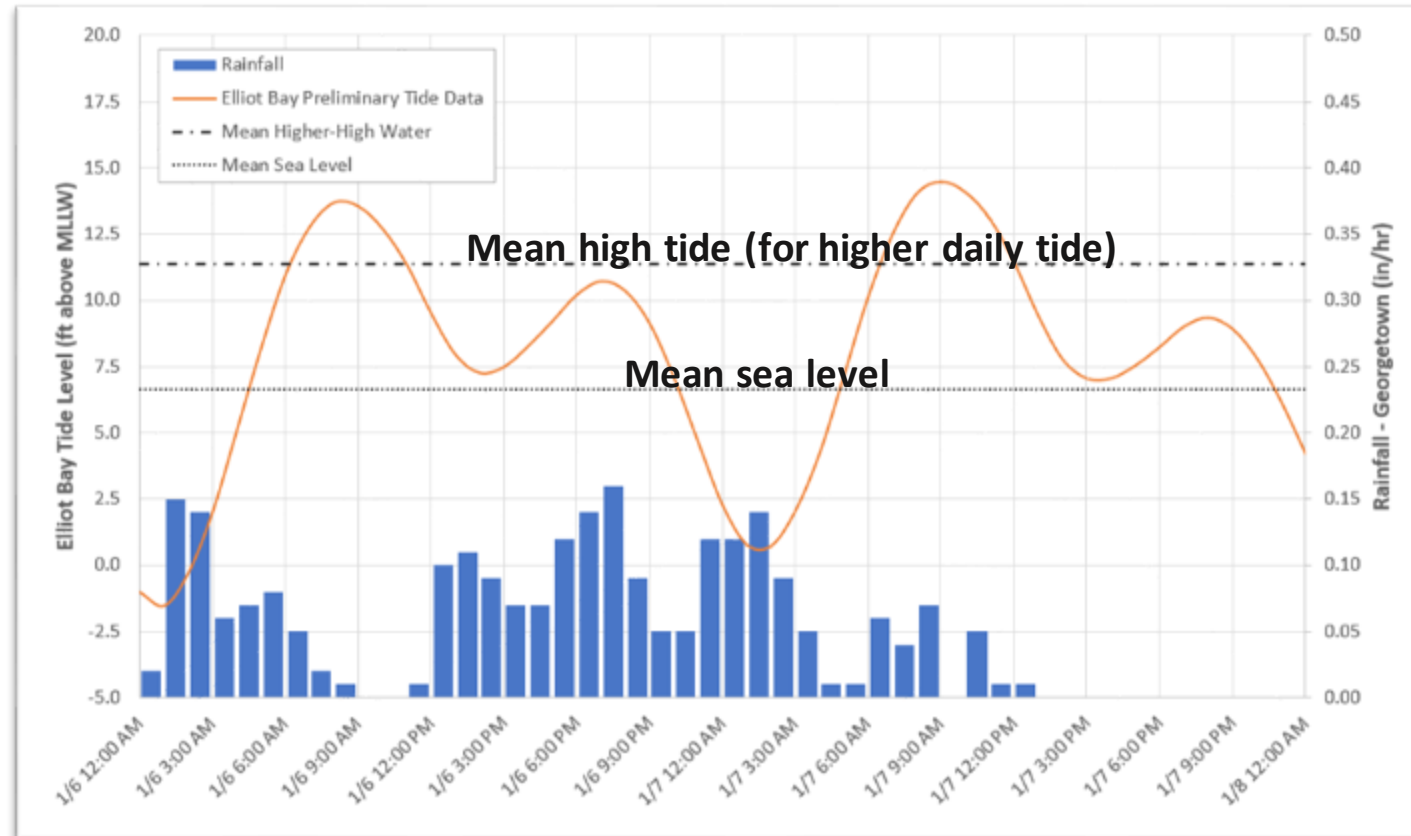
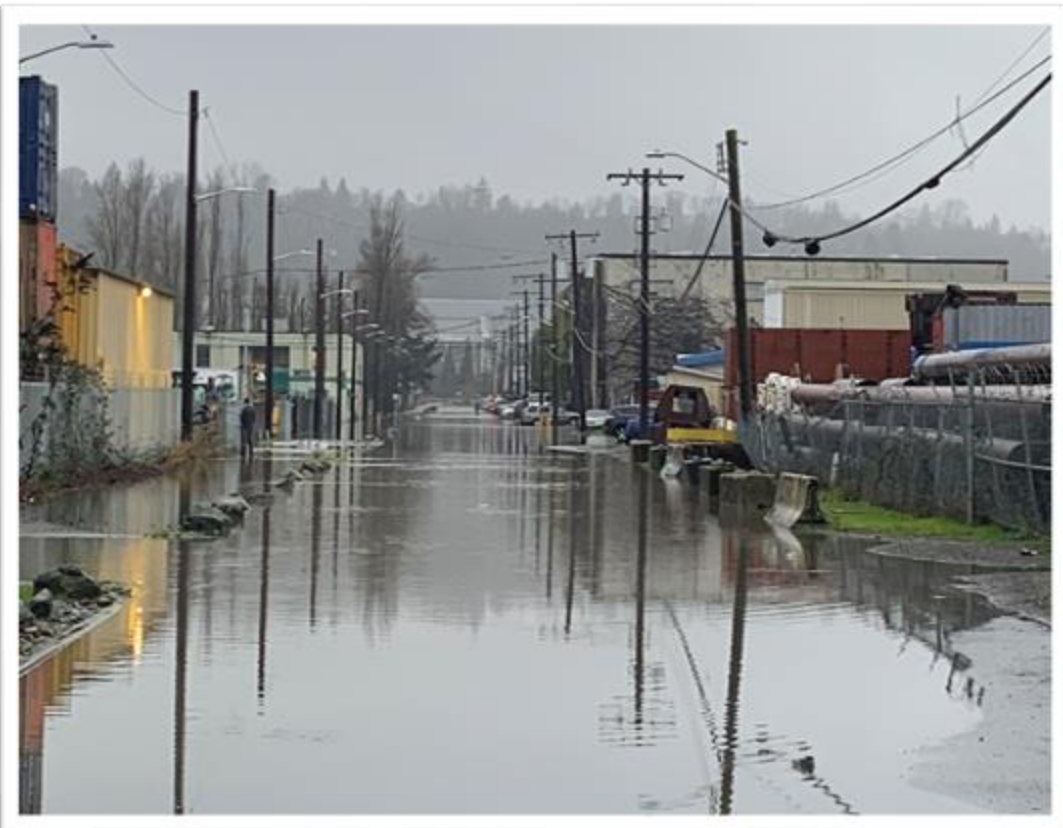
- No injuries to staff or public, with minor property incidents.
- Strong contractor staffing and overtime, to recover 2 weeks of waste in 1 week, despite covid quarantines and other January challenges.
- Major efforts by frontline staff collecting and transferring double volumes, peak holiday recycling and greens, and wet loads.
- Stations and processing facilities challenged too – including heavy volumes at recycling plants and disposal container delays from landslides.
- SPU successfully updated customers, through text and email alerts, social media and online postings and responses, local media, and other platforms.

# Next Steps

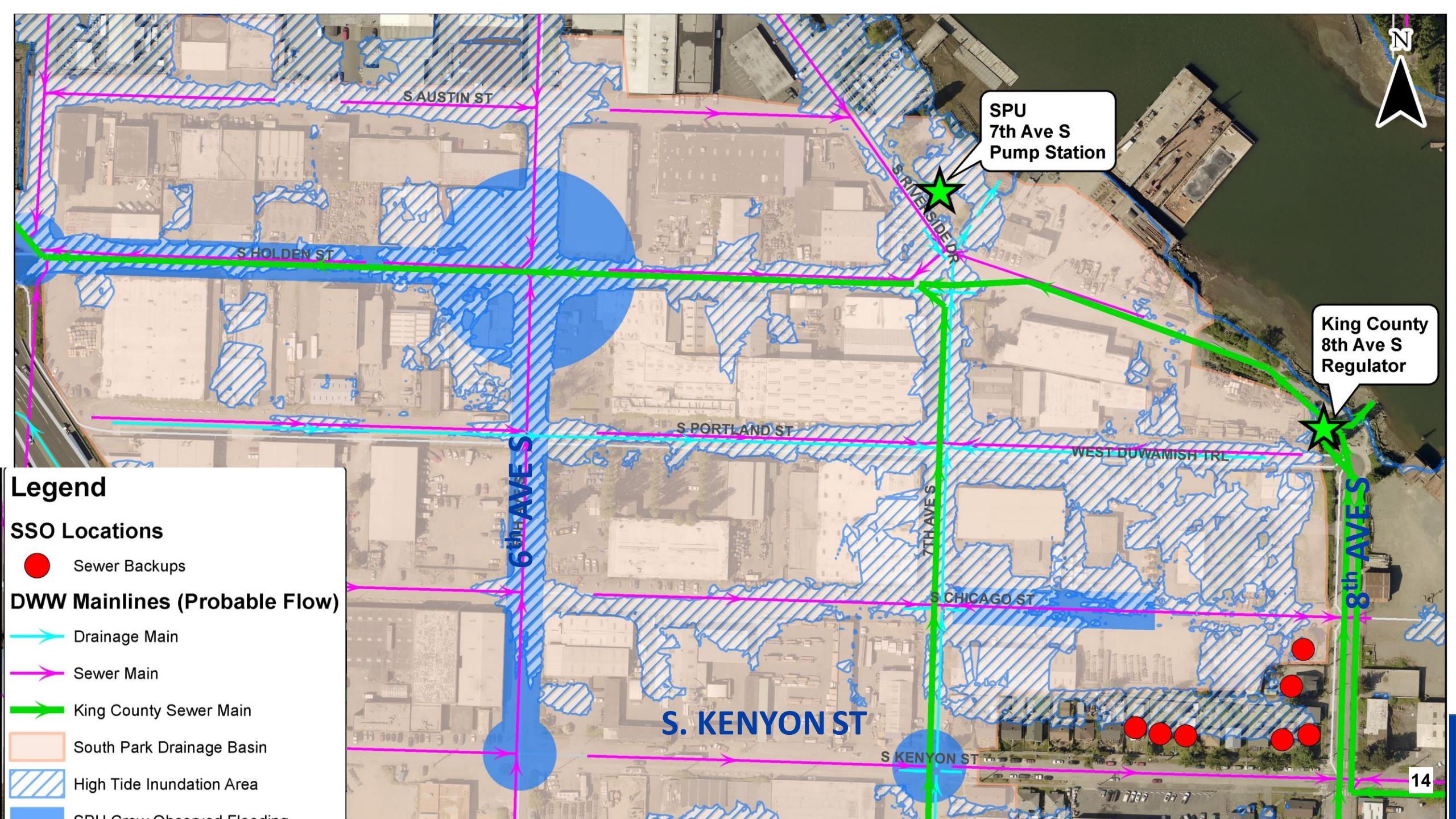
- Continue to **enhance customer communication** across multiple platforms including social media and the Recycle It App.
- Strengthen **customer support on delayed every other week recycle**. Some can be collected with overtime routes on the 'off-week', but with a full week interruption, many are serviced as double volumes, on next regular collection.
- Internal confirmation on **customer support policies**, including free station and drop-off options for overflow.

# Snow melt + Storm + King Tide

## January 1-7: Drainage and Wastewater impacts







SPU  
7th Ave S  
Pump Station

King County  
8th Ave S  
Regulator

**Legend**

**SSO Locations**

- Sewer Backups

**DWW Mainlines (Probable Flow)**

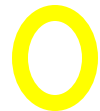


- Drainage Main
- Sewer Main
- King County Sewer Main

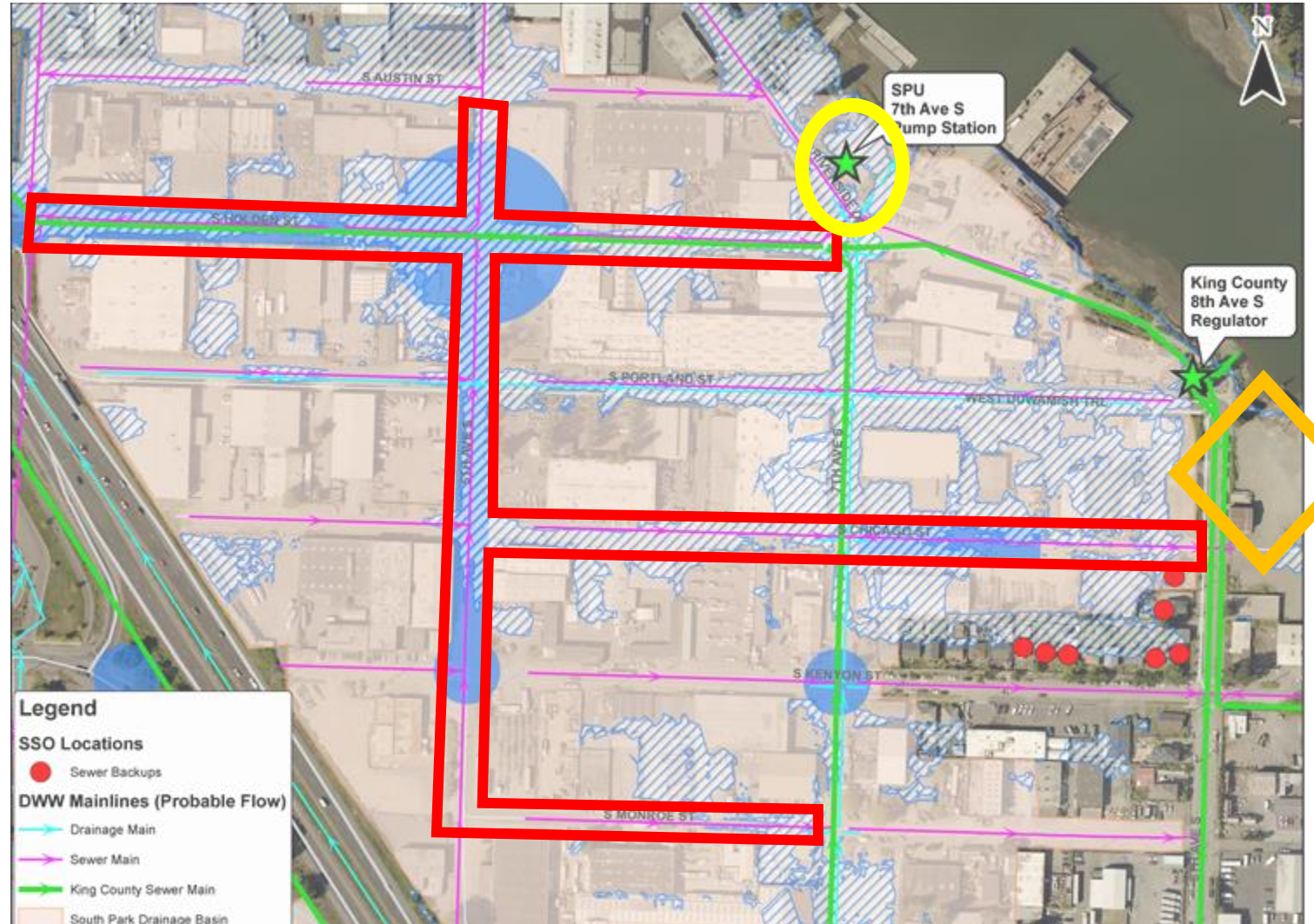
- South Park Drainage Basin
- High Tide Inundation Area
- SPU Crew Observed Flooding



# Capital Investments

Major South Park flooding reduction investments: \$100+M

-  Pump station (2022)
-  Drainage and roadway improvements w/SDOT (2023)
-  Water quality facility (options analysis, potential site)



# Next Steps

- Improve preparedness and response in partnership with community
- Resilience District: Addressing infrastructure gaps and sea level rise
- King County partnership: Sewer capacity assessment and improvements
  - Wet weather preparedness plan for South Park
  - Operational and capital improvements

# Landslide Coordination and Response

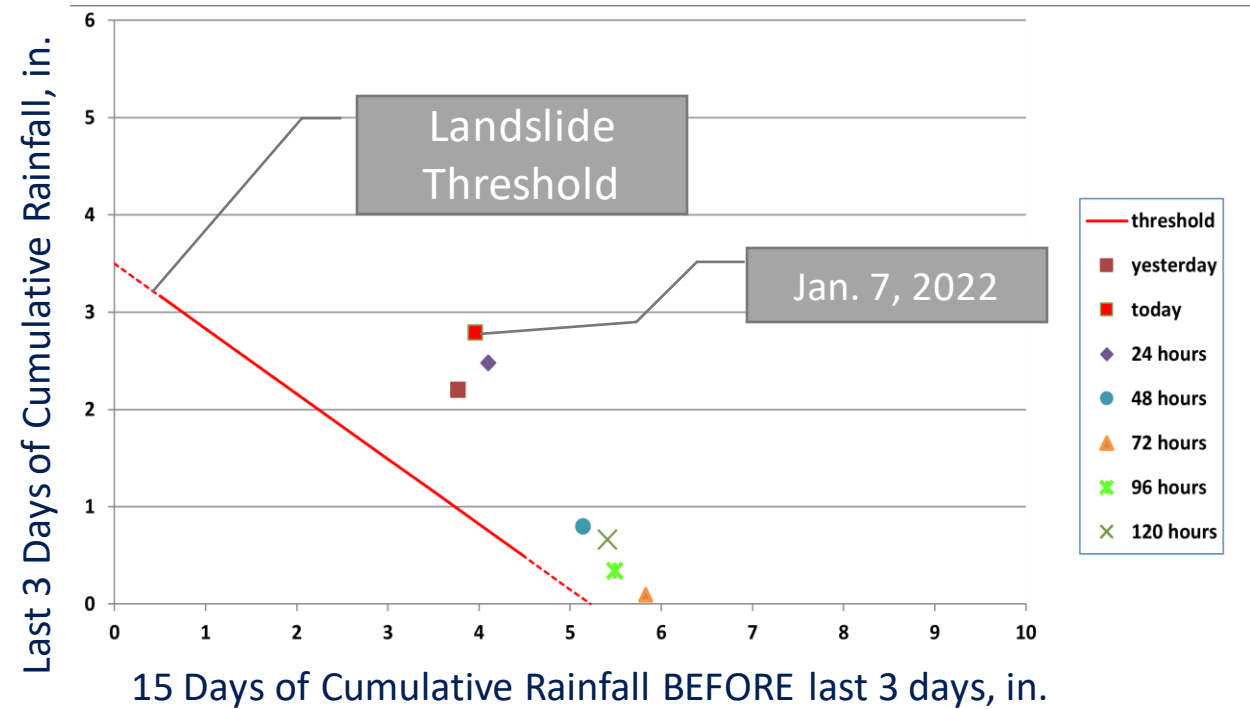
## Multi-department activities:

- **Hold annual City-wide Landslide Preparedness Workshop**
  - SPU organizes; SDOT, SDCI, SCL, Parks, Office of Emergency Management (OEM), and Law attend.
- **Monitor “landslide threshold” to ensure on-call response personnel are available**
  - SPU sends weekly status e-mail during wet months
- **Respond to reported landslides**
  - Each department researches location to determine potential impacts, if a site visit is warranted, what coordination is needed, and what department will take lead
- **Log landslide in OEM’s web-based tool (WebEOC)**



# 2022 Landslide Prediction and Response

- **Friday, Jan. 7, 2022 (am):** SPU emails landslide responders about high slide risk warning through the following week
- **Jan. 7 (pm) – Jan. 10, 2022:** Seven slides reported including 2400 Perkins Ln W.
  - None involved SPU assets or property; other depts. take lead
  - SDCI leads 2400 Perkins Ln W response; “red-tagged” house = unsafe for occupancy





# SPU's Landslide Program

We mitigate and monitor Landslide-Prone Areas (LPAs) where SPU assets are at risk.

- Typical mitigation measures:
  - Improve stormwater conveyance
  - Strategically install subsurface horizontal drains
- Monitoring methods:
  - Regular site visits
  - Measure slope deformation over time
  - Groundwater observation wells; flow meters on drain pipes
  - Future: Ground deformation measurements via satellite (InSAR)

# 2021/22 Winter Weather Response — Prepare. Respond. Follow-up.





# 2021/22 winter storm presentation overview

- Preparation
- Activation
- Response
- Follow-up
  - Pothole repair
  - Landslide management
- Long-term asset management
- Lessons learned



# Preparation

Prepare year-round for winter weather events, including ongoing public education, employee training, and regional coordination

## Public education goals

- Guide people to prepare in advance for winter weather
- Educate public about responsibility to clear sidewalks
- Inform public about how to travel safely during a storm



**SAFETY TIPS & RESOURCES FOR WINTER WEATHER**

Find out how to prepare and stay safe during snow and icy conditions.



Learn more at [seattle.gov/winterweather](https://seattle.gov/winterweather)



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The graphic features a blue cloud with a white snowflake inside, and two smaller blue snowflakes below it. The text is in a clean, sans-serif font. The QR code is square and black and white. The Seattle Department of Transportation logo is circular with a stylized figure and the text 'Seattle Department of Transportation' to its right.





# Preparation

**Training** familiarizes staff with routes and tests equipment

Contract agreements and de-icer procurement help meet needs during activation





# Snow Routes—Preparation

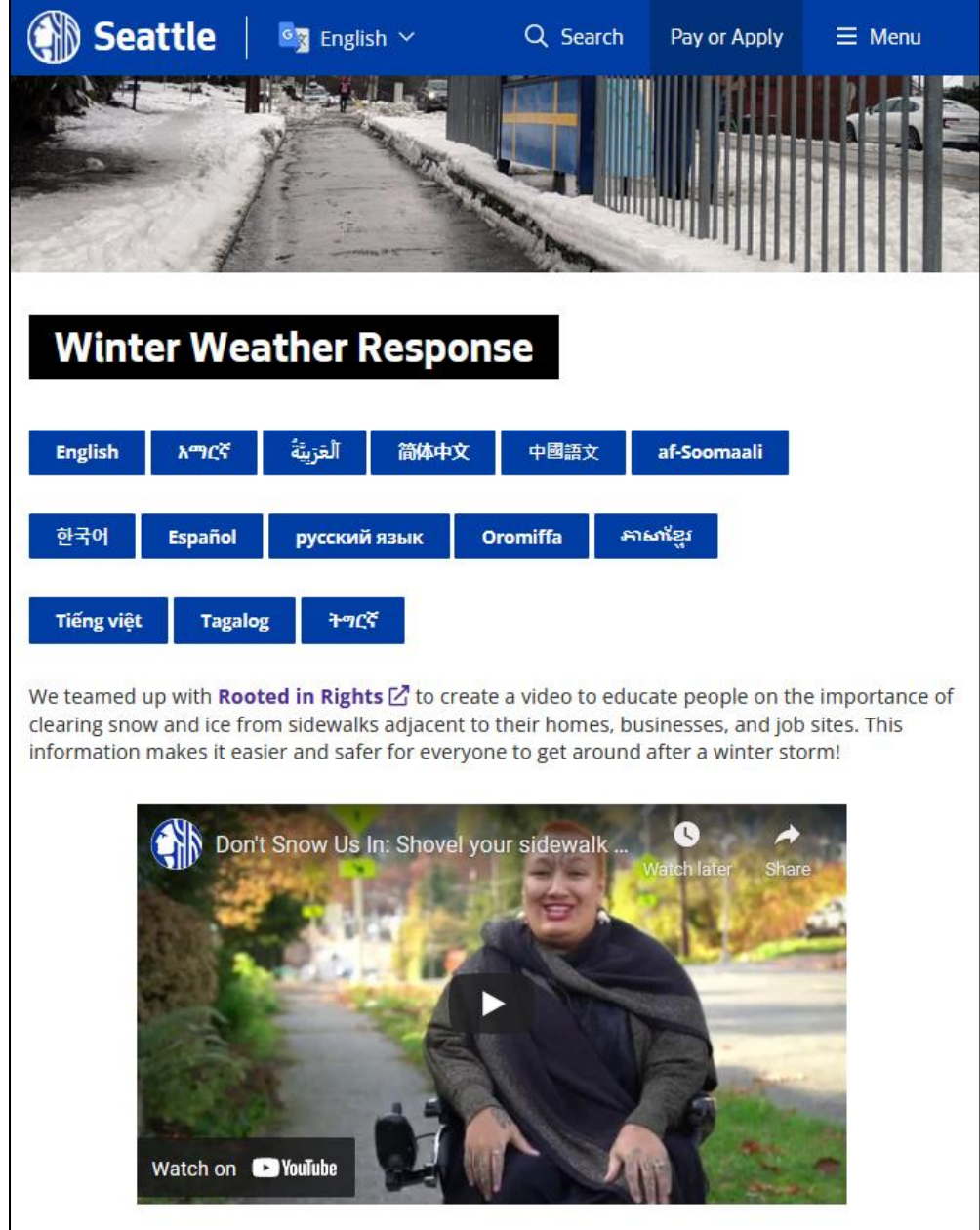
## Update Winter Weather Plan annually

- Focus on over 1,000 miles of most critical routes for transit, emergency services, and hospitals
- Supports access to critical facilities such as schools and public health sites
- Why these routes are prioritized:
  - Maintain key transit corridors
  - Optimize staff and resources
  - Avoid locations where plows are unable to navigate



# Public Outreach Campaign

- Encourage **preparation** via website, blog, and social media streams
- Participate in annual regional winter weather conference
- Work with 35 community groups to distribute 20,000 brochures in 14 languages
- Translate public service announcements and distribute to multicultural news outlets
- Promote video created with Rooted in Rights on importance of clearing sidewalks



The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the City of Seattle website with the Seattle logo, language selection (English), search, and utility links (Pay or Apply, Menu). Below the navigation is a header image of a snow-covered sidewalk. The main content area features a 'Winter Weather Response' title and a grid of language selection buttons: English, አማርኛ, العربية, 简体中文, 中國語文, af-Soomaali, 한국어, Español, русский язык, Oromiffa, አልባኒያ, Tiếng việt, Tagalog, and ትግርኛ. A text block below the languages states: 'We teamed up with [Rooted in Rights](#) to create a video to educate people on the importance of clearing snow and ice from sidewalks adjacent to their homes, businesses, and job sites. This information makes it easier and safer for everyone to get around after a winter storm!'. Below the text is a video player with the title 'Don't Snow Us In: Shovel your sidewalk ...', a play button, and a 'Watch on YouTube' button. The video shows a woman in a wheelchair on a sidewalk.



# Activation

- Activate SDOT Incident Management Team
- Monitor conditions through site visits and 24/7 Transportation Operations Center
- Coordinate with Citywide Emergency Operations Center
- Promote online storm response map
- Provide real-time information
- Implement temporary closures and detours





# Response

Crews worked day and night from December 24 to January 5. (Nearly two weeks straight).

Snow response vehicles plowed, treated, and patrolled 40,000 miles of road. (1 ½ times the distance around planet Earth).

Commitment: Clear lanes on snow routes within 12 hours of a break in the storm





# Working as One Seattle with our regional partners

Partner with other City departments including Seattle Public Utilities, Seattle City Light, Seattle Parks and Recreation, Seattle Police Department, Seattle Fire, and others – and our partners, including King County Metro, Sound Transit, and WSDOT during **response**





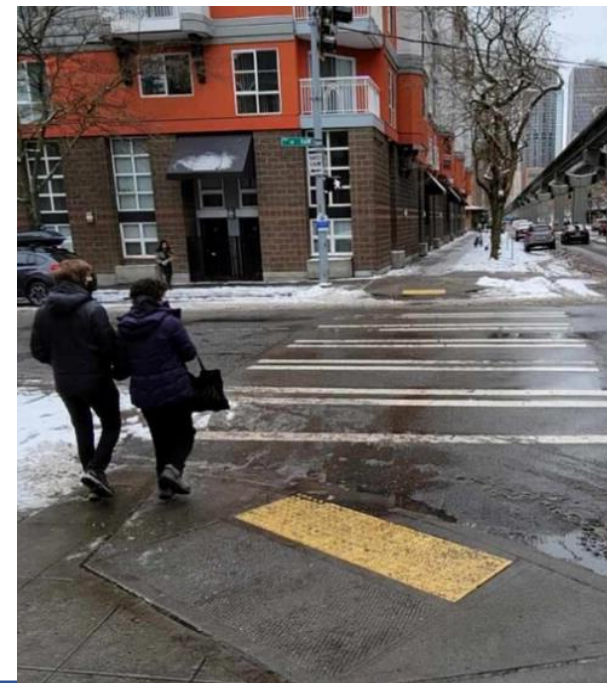
# Keeping pedestrians moving

**Respond** by shoveling public stairways, pedestrian overpasses, bridges, curb ramps, bus stops

- Deployed 30 to 45 people each day
- Shoveled over 3,300 curb ramps
- Cleared trouble spots near public health facilities & about 30 schools

**Respond** by reminding businesses and contractors who have not cleared sidewalks of their legal responsibility

- Deployed a dozen inspectors each day
- Completed over 10,000 sidewalk inspections
- Knocked on doors & left literature in multiple languages





# Plowing protected bike lanes

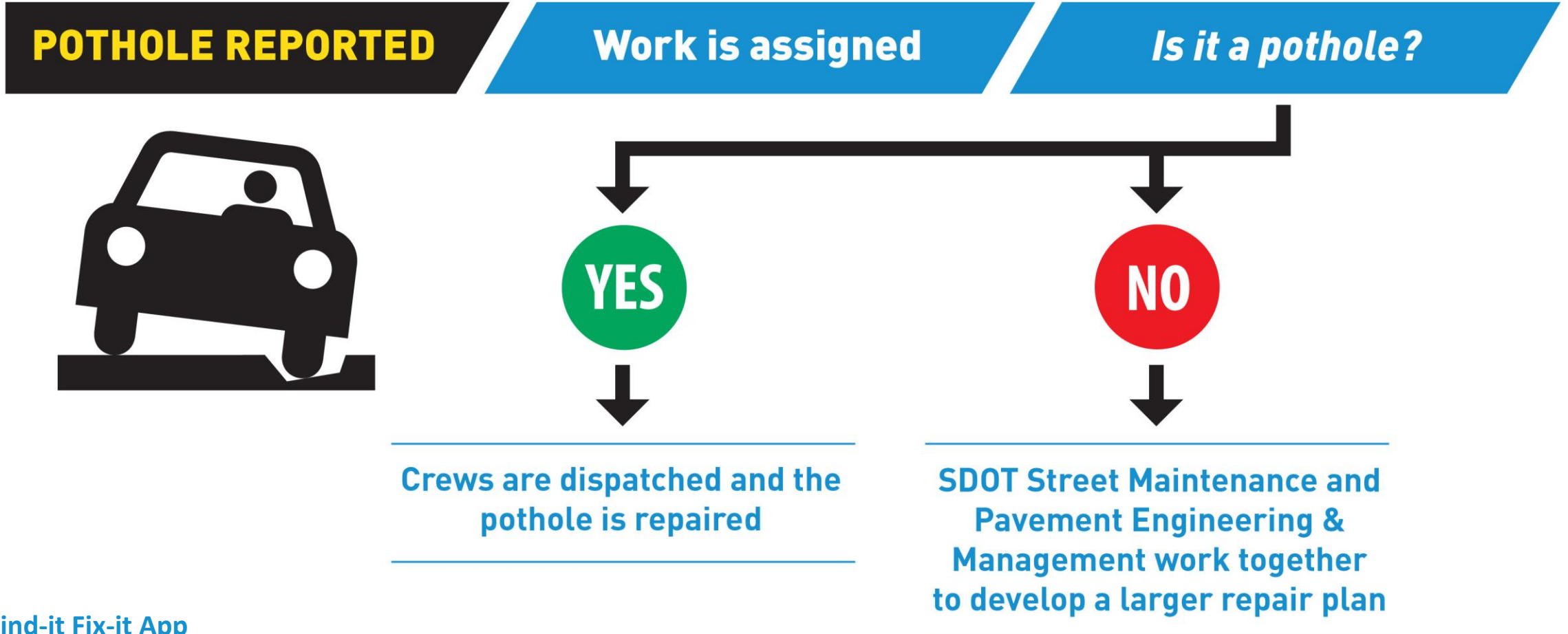
15 crew members were deployed to clear protected bike lanes during **response**

## Locations:

- Western Ave
- 2nd Ave
- 4th Ave
- 7th Ave
- 8th Ave
- S Dearborn St
- Cherry St
- Broadway
- Pike St
- Pine St
- S Columbian Way
- Westlake Trail
- Green Lake
- NE Ravenna Blvd



# Typical pothole response

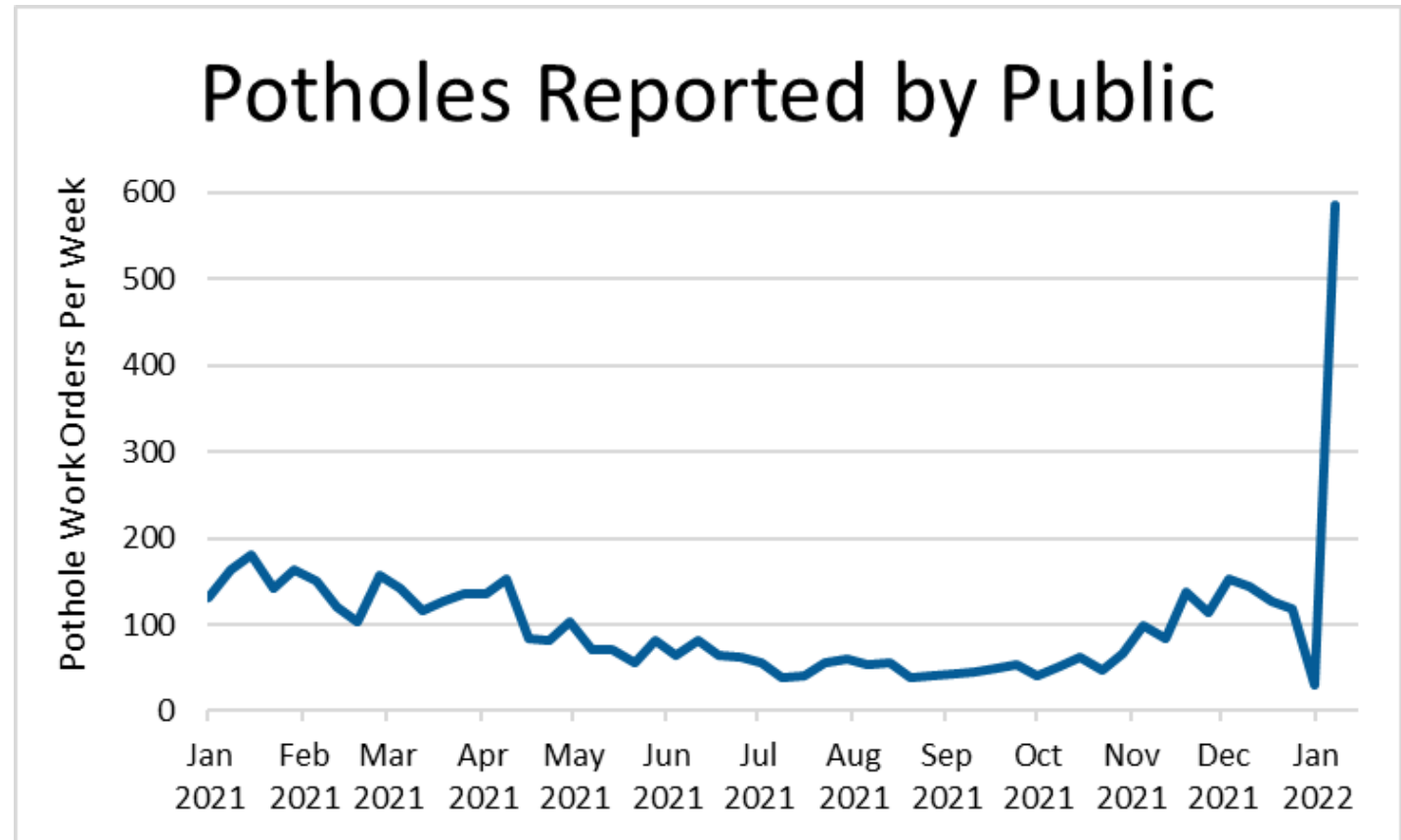


- 1. Find-it Fix-it App
- 2. SDOT Customer Care: 684-ROAD; 684-ROAD@seattle.gov



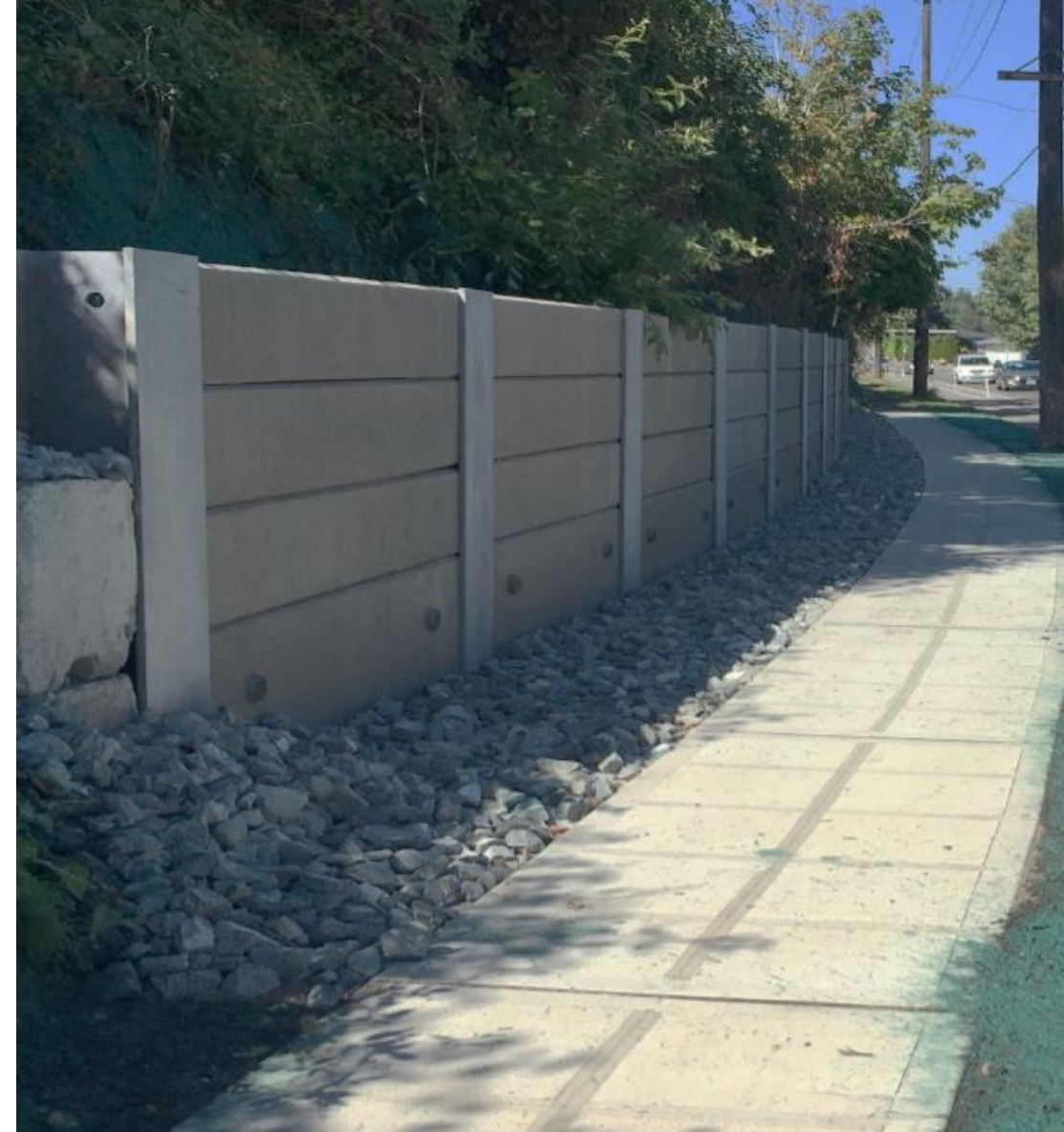
# Post 2021/22 winter storm pothole response

1. Filled nearly 3,500 potholes so far this month.
2. Add up to 70 staff; and deploy 11 versus 4 trucks
3. Prioritize Emerald and Gold snow routes
4. Address Find It Fix It requests on non-arterials, on first come, first served basis



# Landslide response

- Winter of 1996/97
  - More than 300 landslides occurred
  - Over \$30 million damage from lawsuits
  - Creation of a Citywide Landslide team
  - Improved coordination of departments, including:
    - Consolidate landslide information
    - Start coordination at beginning of wet season
    - Communicate closely during periods of wet weather
  - Created SDOT Landslide Mitigation Prioritization List



Rainier Ave S Landslide Mitigation project

# January 2022 landslide response

- About a dozen landslides occurred across the City
- SDOT responded to 8 impacting public right of way
- Priority was public safety, arterial streets, and reducing impacts to pedestrian and street traffic





# Highland Park Way SW

- Landslides occurred along Highland Park Way SW, a W Seattle Bridge detour route on 1/7 and 1/11. SPU, SCL, Parks, and SPD joined to quickly close, clear, and reopen the street
- Near-term safety precaution: installed concrete blocks at the base of the hill to support the land
- Next steps: Coordinate with Parks to install additional erosion control measures and promote vegetation growth this spring



# Keeping the public informed during follow-up actions

Frequent updates were shared with the public via our SDOT Twitter accounts (@SDOTtraffic and @SeattleDOT), through media releases, along with updating and adding blog posts.

SDOT Tweet: Highland Park Way SW re-opened



SDOT Tweet: Pothole repair work in Capitol Hill





# Long-term asset management & lessons learned

## Long-term asset management:

- Repaving and maintaining streets reduces potholes —163 lane miles have been paved through Q3 2021 thanks to voter-approved Levy to Move Seattle
- Constructing projects on SDOT landslide mitigation prioritization list minimizes risk of future slides

## Lesson learned:

- Seattle residents generally understand their responsibility for clearing sidewalks; but struggle due to abilities, resources, and time
- More education needed on where and why streets are selected for snow plowing
- More message amplification across departments on winter storm response (i.e. SDOT sharing SPU's messages about solid waste pick up)
- Additional CDL training across departments could help better meet staffing demands of 12-hour shifts, 24/7 for extended response periods and related follow-up activities



# Celebrating City staff

**This winter event was one of the more significant storms in recent times**

- This storm was particularly challenging due to COVID-19, holiday schedules, and staff traveling out of town
- We are deeply appreciative of the workers who sacrificed time with families and gave up holiday weekends and other vacation plans to respond
- Workers from Parks and Recreation, Seattle Public Utilities and Seattle City Light were instrumental in this effort



# Questions & Discussion

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SDOT Safe Starts Program Update





# SDOT Safe Start Permit Program *Proposed long-term changes*

Outdoor Dining, Merchandise Display, Vending, & more

Photo source: Eater Seattle



# Our Vision, Mission, & Core Values

Seattle is a thriving equitable community powered by dependable transportation. We're on a mission to deliver a transportation system that provides safe and affordable access to places and opportunities.

We value equity, safety, mobility, sustainability, livability, and excellence.

# Presentation Outline

1. Background and Learnings from the Safe Start Program
2. Program Mission and Themes
3. Proposed Changes



# Background, Outreach and Learnings Summary

# Safe Start program background

- Began in Summer 2020
- Expanded SDOT's outdoor dining, vending, and street closure permitting options to support businesses during the pandemic
- Streamlined & free permits currently valid through May 2022
- Proposing to extend through January 2023
- Received \$300k in federal recovery funding to support the program
- Issued 276 Safe Start permits



# Safe Start Outreach To-Date

## Surveys

- General survey with over 10,000 responses
- Surveys to participating and non-participating businesses
- Surveys and interviews with vendors

## Community Meetings

- Disability rights groups
- Business advocacy groups
- Internal stakeholders
- Transportation advocates

## BIPOC-focused outreach

- 2020 RET on Title 15
- SDOT's Transportation Equity Workgroup
- 1x1 interviews with BIPOC stakeholders, businesses, and community groups

## Evaluations

- Safe Start 1.0
- Seattle Together Streets
- Market Streets



# Safe Start survey results

## Support for Safe Start Permits:



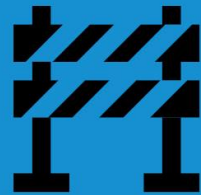
**90%**

Cafés in the curbside space



**90%**

Sidewalk cafés



**90%**

Street closures for dining and shopping



**89%**

Food trucks or carts in curbside spaces



**83%**

Food carts on sidewalks



**65%**

Sidewalk retail displays



**59%**

Retail displays in curbside spaces

Source: Summer 2021 public and business community survey regarding the Safe Start street use permitting program.

# Safe Start survey results cont.

## Most liked aspects

- Outdoor dining made people feel safer during pandemic
- Street vibrancy and ambience
- Small business support
- Community building

## Could be improved

- Impacts to parking
- Impacts to travel (Street Closures)
- Impacts to sidewalk and ADA mobility
- Maintenance issues

# Other learnings

- **Strong support for lowered costs and barriers** to participating businesses
- **SDOT viewed as a partner**, helping coach applicants through permit process
- Outdoor cafes still require **substantial investment of time and money**
- **Long-term public health and resilience benefits** to increasing outdoor social space
- **Community partnership in planning and design is critical** for public space activation



# Program Mission and Themes

# Draft program mission

Develop an **equitable and iterative approach** to continue the success of the Safe Start program to:

- Help **small businesses** thrive;
- Increase **the vibrancy** of our public realm; and
- Preserve needed **access and mobility**.

# Safe Start 2.0 themes

- **Equity**
  - Implement strategies to support BIPOC-owned small businesses
- **Flexibility**
  - Create rules that are consistent and predictable, allowing for flexibility when appropriate
- **Collaborative Approach**
  - Continue collaborative coaching for applicants
  - Increase and improve educational tools
  - Implement programs to build community capacity in permitting process



# Preliminary Draft Changes

# Proposed changes



Outdoor dining



Merchandise display



Vending



Street activation

# Proposed next steps

## Winter 2022

- Continue to develop program proposal
- Racial Equity Toolkit analysis

## Spring 2022

- Extend current permits to new expiration date
- Draft package with program proposal to Council
- Continue stakeholder and public outreach

## Summer 2022

- Develop final legislation package, including Director's Rule edits
- Pass legislation and finalize implementation plan

## January 2023

- Temporary permits end and transition to permanent



# Questions?

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**CITY OF SEATTLE**

**ORDINANCE \_\_\_\_\_**

**COUNCIL BILL \_\_\_\_\_**

AN ORDINANCE relating to street and sidewalk use; amending Ordinance 126474 and the Street Use Permit Fee Schedule authorized by Section 15.04.074 of the Seattle Municipal Code; and amending Section 2 and Section 3 of Ordinance 126339.

WHEREAS, in September 2020, the City Council passed Ordinance 126159, amending the Street Use Permit Fee Schedule to support businesses by implementing a free permit for temporary business uses, including cafes, displays, and vending; and

WHEREAS, in May 2021, the City Council passed Ordinance 126339, amending the Street Use Permit Fee Schedule to extend the free permit program for temporary business uses through May 31, 2022, allow the fees for existing permit holders to be administered consistent with temporary business use permit holders, and establish a workplan to develop a permitting structure for the continuation of these business uses beyond May 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, in November 2021, the City Council passed Ordinance 126474, updating the Street Use Permit Fee Schedule as companion legislation to the 2022 Adopted Budget, which maintained the May 31, 2022 date for the free permit program for temporary business uses established in Ordinance 126339; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to extend the provisions of Ordinance 126339 from May 31, 2022 to January 31, 2023; NOW, THEREFORE,

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The Seattle Department of Transportation Street Use Fee Schedule (“SDOT Street Use Fee

Schedule”), Attachment A to Ordinance 126474 is amended by replacing Table A2, Uses with No Base Permit Fee, with the version included as Attachment A to this ordinance.

Section 2. Section 2 and Section 3 of Ordinance 126339 are amended as follows:

Section 2. At the discretion of the SDOT Director or designee, SDOT may waive permit fees for long-term merchandise displays (use code 18A), long-term sidewalk and curb space cafes (use codes 18B, 18D, 18E), and vending (use codes 19B, 19C, 19E, 19G, 19H) existing as of March 1, 2020 to provide consistency with the fee schedule for Temporary Business Recovery Use permits (use code 3AA) through ~~((May 31, 2022))~~ January 31, 2023.

Section 3. The Seattle Department of Transportation shall present to Council a draft permitting proposal (including a revised fee schedule) to allow for the continuation of business uses allowed by the Temporary Business Recovery Use permits beyond ~~((May 31, 2022))~~ January 31, 2023. The draft permitting proposal shall be presented to Council in writing by ~~((December 15, 2021))~~ March 31, 2022. The Council directs the Seattle Department of Transportation to transmit proposed implementing legislation to Council by ~~((March 31, 2022))~~ June 30, 2022.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

Passed by the City Council the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

\_\_\_\_\_  
President \_\_\_\_\_ of the City Council



Approved / returned unsigned / vetoed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

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Bruce Harrell, Mayor

Filed by me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

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Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

(Seal)

**Attachments:**

Attachment A - Table A2, Uses with No Base Permit Fee

Attachment A – Table A2 – Uses with No Base Permit Fee  
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<b>Table A2 – Uses with No Base Permit Fee</b>	
<b>Use Description</b>	<b>Use Code</b>
Gardening in the ROW	1
Tree Planting, Pruning or Removal	1A, 1B, and 1C
Unimproved right-of-way and shoulder planting with minimal ground disturbance of 1 cubic yard or less	1D
Construction and Storage Containers	31B
Miscellaneous User per SMC 15.04.100	54
Residential Street Barricading for Neighborhood Activation	54B
Barricading for Public Safety	54C
Sidewalk or Driveway Maintenance or Repair (less than 100 sq. ft.)	55
First Amendment Vending or Expressive Activity	19B/19K
Public Activation Amenities (e.g., street furniture, art)	52
Advertising in the ROW (e.g., signs, graphics)	6
Temporary Business Recovery Uses (e.g., cafes, displays, vending) – Through January 31, 2023	3AA

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**SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE\***

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*\* Note that the Summary and Fiscal Note describes the version of the bill or resolution as introduced; final legislation including amendments may not be fully described.*

**1. BILL SUMMARY**

**Legislation Title:**

AN ORDINANCE relating to street and sidewalk use; amending Ordinance 126474 and the Street Use Permit Fee Schedule authorized by Section 15.04.074 of the Seattle Municipal Code; and amending Section 2 and Section 3 of Ordinance 126339.

**Summary and background of the Legislation:**

In September 2020, Council passed Ordinance 126159, which amended the Street Use Permit Fee Schedule (Ordinance 125706) and authorized a new free permit for temporary business uses during the Covid-19 recovery that allowed for cafes, displays, and vending activities in the right-of-way through Phase 4 of the Governor’s Safe Start Plan.

In May 2021, Council passed Ordinance 126339, which extended the free permit program to May 31, 2022, allowed the fee for existing permit holders to be administered consistent with temporary business uses, and established a workplan for continuation of these business uses beyond May 31, 2022.

The proposed legislation would extend authorization of the free permit for temporary business uses until January 31, 2023 and amend Ordinance 126339 to reflect the extension of the free permit program, and to extend the provisions for existing permit holders and the workplan to account for the new date.

**2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

**Does this legislation create, fund, or amend a CIP Project?** \_\_\_ Yes  X  No

**3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

**Does this legislation amend the Adopted Budget?** \_\_\_ Yes  X  No

**Does the legislation have other financial impacts to the City of Seattle that are not reflected in the above, including direct or indirect, short-term or long-term costs?**

The legislation extends authorization for free permits for temporary businesses uses by eight months. SDOT would forego any permit fees associated with these kinds of uses during this time, which would need to be taken into consideration in the development of the 2023 Budget.



**Is there financial cost or other impacts of *not* implementing the legislation?**

No financial cost to the City identified. The legislation is intended to provide assurance to businesses that their potential investments in Covid-19 responsive business practices would be authorized through January 31, 2023.

**4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

**a. Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?**

No other departments impacted.

**b. Is a public hearing required for this legislation?**

No public hearing required.

**c. Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation?**

No public notice required.

**d. Does this legislation affect a piece of property?**

No direct property interests are impacted.

**e. Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative. Does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities? What is the Language Access plan for any communications to the public?**

No impacts identified. This legislation would extend an existing permit program by eight months.

**f. Climate Change Implications**

**1. Emissions: Is this legislation likely to increase or decrease carbon emissions in a material way?**

This legislation supports non-vehicle uses of the right-of-way which may decrease carbon emissions to the extent that this proposal reduces the use of internal combustion engines.

**2. Resiliency: Will the action(s) proposed by this legislation increase or decrease Seattle's resiliency (or ability to adapt) to climate change in a material way? If so, explain. If it is likely to decrease resiliency in a material way, describe what will or could be done to mitigate the effects.**

This legislation is intended to support Covid-19 recovery efforts and is not likely to have an impact on Seattle's resiliency to climate change.

**g. If this legislation includes a new initiative or a major programmatic expansion: What are the specific long-term and measurable goal(s) of the program? How will this legislation help achieve the program's desired goal(s).**

This legislation does not represent a new initiative or programmatic expansion. The legislation extends an existing free permit program until January 31, 2023.

**List attachments/exhibits below:**

None.