



SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

Human Services, Labor, and Economic Development Committee

Agenda

Friday, February 6, 2026

9:30 AM

Council Chamber, City Hall
600 4th Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

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Rob Saka, Member

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Development Committee**
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Meeting Location:

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Committee Website:

<https://seattle.gov/council/human-services-labor-and-economic-development>

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A. Call To Order

B. Approval of the Agenda

C. Public Comment

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D. Items of Business

1. Office of Labor Standards Department Overview

Supporting
Documents:

[Presentation](#)
[2025 Highlights Summary](#)

Briefing and Discussion (30 min)

Presenter: Steve Marchese, Director, Office of Labor Standards

2. Human Services Department: Aging and Disability Services

Supporting
Documents:

[Presentation](#)

Briefing and Discussion (30 min)

Presenter: Dr. Tanya Kim, Director, Human Services Department

3. [Res 32191](#) A RESOLUTION identifying the opportunity to develop a regional transportation hub adjacent to Westlake Park; creating a vision for how this hub will integrate with the surrounding neighborhoods; and setting forth directions for functionality, safety, and urban compatibility, along with guiding principles for the public projects planned for the area adjacent to Westlake Park.

Supporting Documents: [Summary and Fiscal Note](#)
[Presentation](#)

Briefing and Discussion (30 min)

Presenter: Alicia Teel, Interim Director, Office of Economic Development

E. Adjournment



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Office of Labor Standards Department Overview

Seattle Office of Labor Standards

February 2026

Office of Labor Standards

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City of Seattle

OLS Mission

18 3.15.000 Office of Labor Standards created—Functions

19 There is created within the Executive Department an Office of Labor Standards, under the
20 direction of the Mayor. The mission of the Office of Labor Standards is to advance labor

21 standards through thoughtful community and business engagement, strategic enforcement and

22 innovative policy development, with a commitment to race and social justice. The Office of

23 Labor Standards seeks to promote greater economic opportunity and further the health, safety,

1 and welfare of employees; support employers in their implementation of labor standards

2 requirements; and end barriers to workplace equity for women, communities of color,

3 immigrants and refugees, and other vulnerable workers.

4 The functions of the Office of Labor Standards are as follows:



Seattle is a Welcoming City

We believe in inclusion, equity, and accessibility.

Immigrants and refugees are welcome at the Office of Labor Standards.

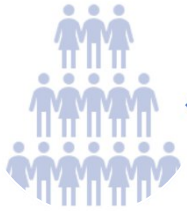
We are committed to serving all workers and businesses.

City employees do not ask about citizenship.

We serve all residents regardless of immigration status.



Ordinances Enforced by OLS



General Applicability

- Fair Chance Employment
- Commuter Benefits
- Minimum Wage
- Wage Theft
- Paid Sick & Safe Time
- Independent Contractor Protections



Industry Specific

- Domestic Worker Ordinance
- Secure Scheduling
- Hotel Employee Protections (4 laws)
- Cannabis Employee Job Retention

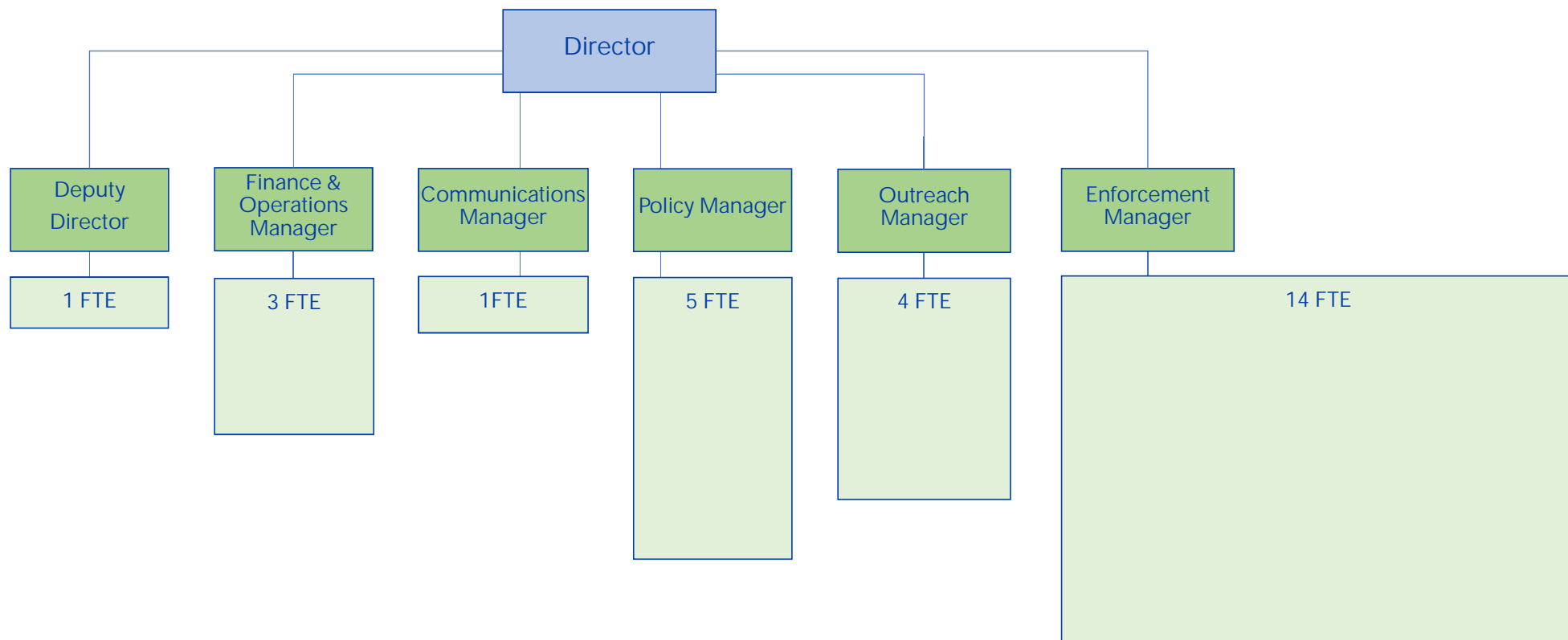


New Forms of Work

- ABW Paid Sick & Safe Time
- ABW Minimum Payment
- ABW Deactivation Rights



Operations

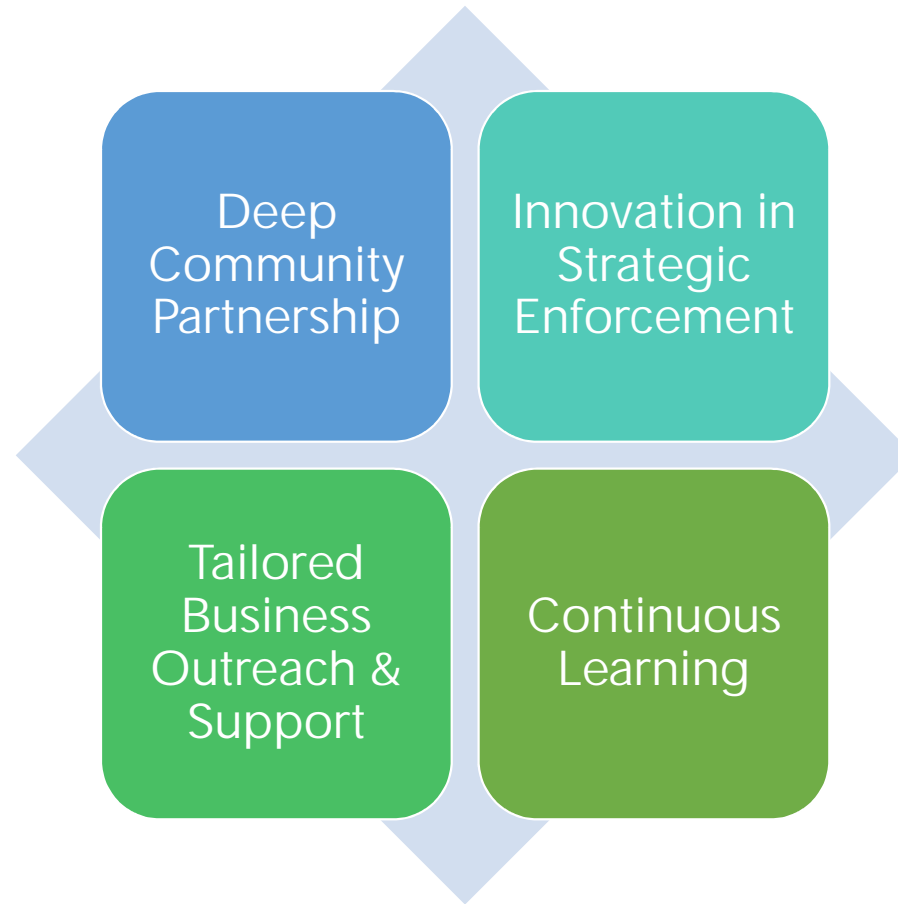


Budget Overview

Budget Summary	
General Fund Support	\$8,455,713 (84%)
Office of Labor Standards Operations	\$6,432,713
Community Outreach & Educating Fund	\$1,233,000
Business Outreach & Education Fund	\$790,000
Network Company License (NCL) Fee Support	\$1,606,698 (16%)
NCL Fee - Operations	\$1,339,698
NCL Fee – App-based Worker Community Outreach & Education Fund	\$267,000
Total 2026 Budget (General Fund + Fee)	\$10,062,411



Key Strategies



Community Partnership

- Funded partnerships: Community Outreach & Education Fund (COEF); Business Outreach & Education Fund (BOEF); one-time opportunities
- Independent Advisory Bodies: Labor Standards Advisory Commission (LSAC); Domestic Worker Standards Board (DWSB)
- Door-to-door outreach



Tailored Business Outreach & Support

- Funded partnerships (BOEF)
- Industry-specific outreach & education
- Customized compliance assistance
- Collaboration with other City agencies



Strategic Enforcement

- Company-wide investigations
- Compliance letters
- Co-enforcement with partner organizations
- Collaboration with state agencies



2025 Enforcement Highlights

2025
Total Assessed: \$21.5m
Workers Impacted:
33,269

2017-2025
Total Assessed: \$66.4m
Workers Impacted:
123,389

The Seattle Times Aug. 26, 2025

Uber Eats agrees to \$15 million settlement with Seattle

MYNORTHWEST

Hundreds of Climate Pledge Arena concession workers to get back pay after city investigation

Apr 2, 2025, 9:36 AM | Updated: 11:11 am

Din Tai Fung to pay nearly \$600K in Seattle labor law settlement June 18, 2025



HANDY TECHNOLOGIES SETTLES WITH SEATTLE LABOR OFFICE FOR \$135K OVER DOMESTIC WORKERS ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS



By Aisha Mahmoud

Published on December 01, 2025

Amazon to pay out \$3 million over alleged labor violations against Seattle gig workers December 3, 2025



Continuous Learning

- Strategic framework and department-wide priority setting
- Shared learning with regional and national networks of enforcement agencies and researchers
- Cross-department partnerships
- Leveraging expanded data capacity to evaluate our work and drive impact



What does success look like?



Thank you!



Seattle
Office of Labor Standards



2025 Department Highlights

Community Engagement and Partnership

Build and maintain trusted relationships with community partners to ensure we are effective in serving those most in need of our support and can provide culturally and linguistically relevant support services.

“Over the last 7 years, our partnership with OLS has allowed us to support Latino small business owners and their workers. Further, we have been able to create a positive relationship between small business owners and OLS. All these efforts have been done while ensuring that business owners understand and are [compliant] with our City’s worker protections.” - Latino Community Fund, BOEF Partner

Community Outreach & Education Fund: 2024 - 2026 Cohort

- 10 partners, 8 of which are returning
- Over 1,000 intakes, helping workers to directly resolve concerns
- Nearly 4,000 workers trained in 380 trainings

Business Outreach & Education Fund: 2025 - 2027 Cohort

- 7 partners, 5 of which are returning
- 8,800 businesses reached via activities
- Over 2,000 businesses representatives trained
- 1,600 businesses visited door-to-door outreach

Multi-jurisdiction agency networks

OLS belongs to local and nation-wide municipal and county labor standards agency networks that promote shared learning and collaboration.

Boards & Commissions

- Domestic Worker Standards Board (DWSB)
- Labor Standards Advisor Commission (LSAC)

Each are comprised of worker, business, and community organization voices. We lean on them for their advice on working conditions, outreach strategies, and more.

Domestic Worker Reports – Exemplar

For the past several years, OLS, alongside a large coalition of community members and DWSB member, conducted research to assess a paid time off policy for domestic workers. These efforts culminated in two reports that we issued last year. This work stands as exemplar of the importance of community engagement and collaboration.

Business Education and Support

Invest in business education and support to prevent labor standards violations in the first place and avoid burdening workers with accountability responsibilities.

“I am proud of the elevating and betterment of our policies we were able to achieve in a short amount of time thanks to your guidance. As always, I am so grateful for your education and partnership as we make sure [our business] is as safe and compliant as possible.” - Compliance Letter Customer

Educational Materials and Trainings.

- Educational materials for all 16 laws
- Mailed 52,000 Workplace Posters to support business posting requirements

- Posters and multiple materials available in 30+ languages
- Provide live trainings and recorded trainings/video shorts

Summer Field Outreach: 478 businesses visited
OLS staff visit businesses to increase awareness
and provide live technical assistance. Our Summer
activities start with a large collaborative event on
May Day where we frequently partner with

community partners and fellow departments to
visit businesses.

Technical Assistance Line: 149 businesses
supported

Strategic Enforcement, Adaptive Approaches

Use strategic approaches that deepen our impact and efficacy: co-enforcement, company-wide investigations,
and alternative tools that allow us to effectively resolve violations fairly and as quickly as practicable.

“It was empowering to work with local government to rectify this [labor standards] wrong, and I would
strongly recommend that anyone who is having their worker’s rights violated contact the Office of Labor
Standards.” - Grocery Store Employee

Worker Intakes

Minimum Wage, Wage Theft, and Paid Sick and
Safe Time are consistently top inquiries.

Intake Numbers – Year over Year
The number of intakes rises every year.

Intakes Received:	1,522
> App-Based Work Intakes:	393
> Unresolved rolling into 2026:	84
Intakes Resolved:	1,438

Intakes Received – 2024:	1,383
Intakes Received – 2023:	1075
Intakes Received – 2022:	900
Intakes Received – 2021:	738

Investigations

New Investigations Opened:	46
Investigations Resolved:	84
Resolved via settlement:	80%

Number of Affected Workers:	33,269
Remedies Assessed to Workers:	~ \$21.5m
Fines & Penalties Assessed to City:	~\$142,000

Compliance Letters: 132 businesses supported

The Department uses this tool when a complaint doesn’t meet enforcement priorities, but where there is
evidence of potential violations. The letter informs the business of their legal responsibilities and our
technical assistance services. In some cases, the Department conducts limited corrective education and
requests confirmation of compliance.



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Human Services Department: Aging and Disability Services

HSD's Aging and Disability Services

Tanya Kim, Director, Human Services Department

Mary Pearson, ADS Division Director, HSD

Jacqueline Cobbs, ADS Division Deputy Director, HSD

February 6, 2026

Human Services Department



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Agenda

1. HSD Overview
2. HSD ADS and the AAA
3. Regional Services
4. City of Seattle Services
5. 2026 Initiatives
6. Questions



HSD Overview

The Human Services Department (HSD) mission is *to connect people with resources and solutions during times of need, so all Seattle residents can live, learn, work, and take part in strong and healthy communities.*

Through the lens of racial equity, HSD provides direct services and contracts with over 200 community-based providers in six different impact areas:

- Preparing Youth for Success
- Supporting Affordability and Livability
- Addressing Homelessness
- Promoting Public Health
- Supporting Safe Communities
- Promoting Healthy Aging



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Human Services
Equity • Support • Community



HSD Budget

By the Numbers:

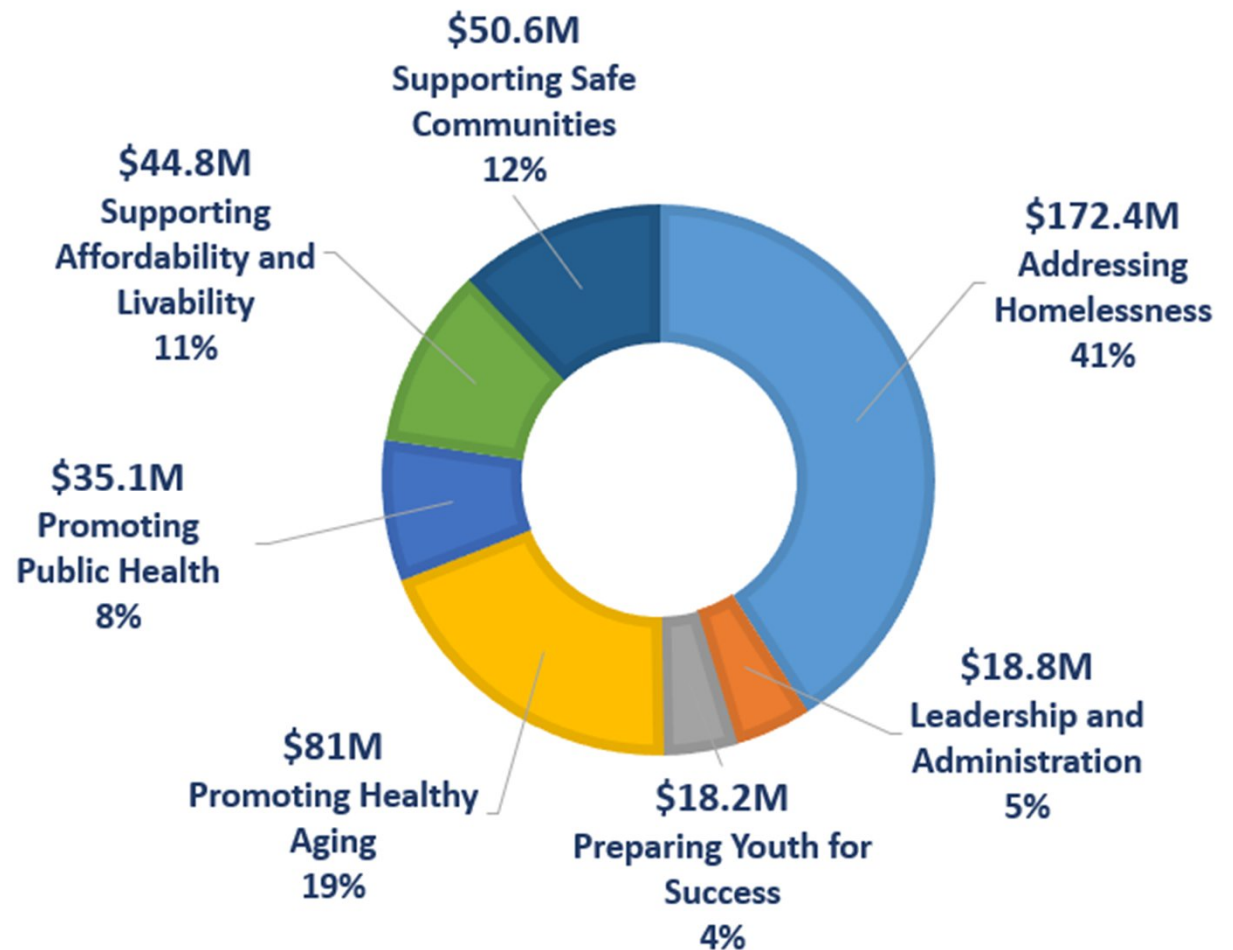
2026 Adopted Budget: \$421M

FTE Authority: 480.5 FTEs

Contracts: 200+ community-based organizations (82% of budget)

Fund Sources:

- City General Fund
- FEPP Levy Fund
- Sweetened Beverage Tax Fund
- Short Term Rental Tax Fund
- Payroll Expense Tax (JumpStart) Fund
- Opioid Settlement Fund
- Federal, State, and Inter-local Grants (22% of Budget)



HSD Aging and Disability Services

The Area Agency on Aging for Seattle and King County



February 6, 2026

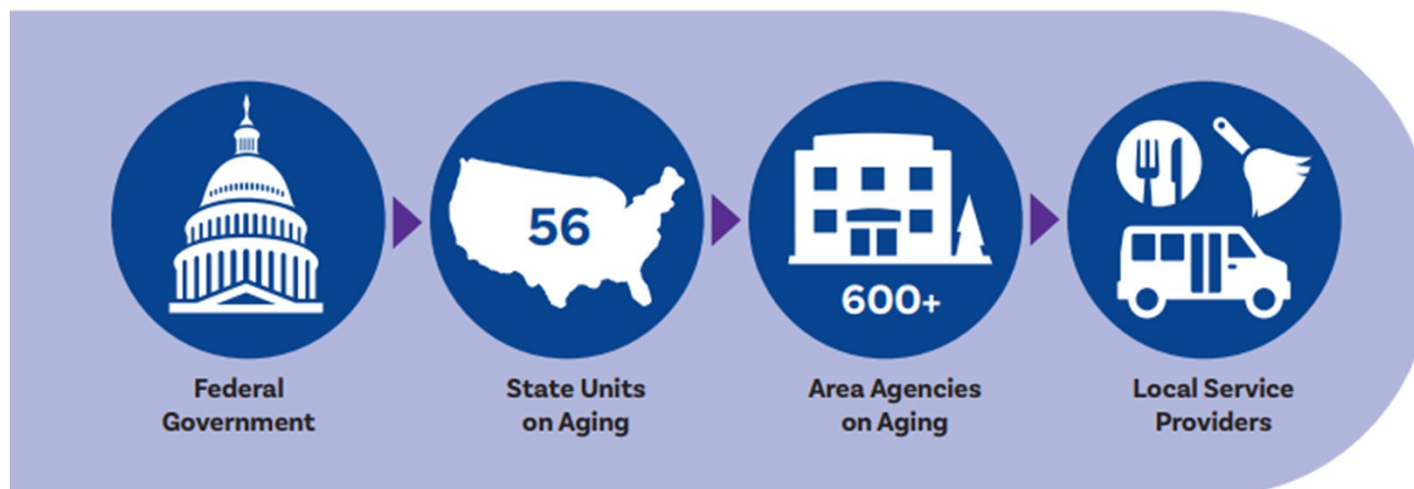
Human Services Department

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National Aging Services Network



Area Agency on Aging

- Authorized by the Older Americans Act
- Over 600 AAAs in the country
- 13 AAAs in Washington
- Plan, Coordinate, Advocate



Who We Serve

- Priority populations as defined by Older Americans Act
- Unpaid Caregivers 18+
- Medicaid Long-Term Care Clients, age 18+



ADS Governance

- Division of the Seattle Human Services Department
- Operates under Interlocal Agreement – Seattle and King County
- Collaborates with King County Department of Community and Housing Services and Public Health – Seattle & King County
- Guided by a 21-member Advisory Council



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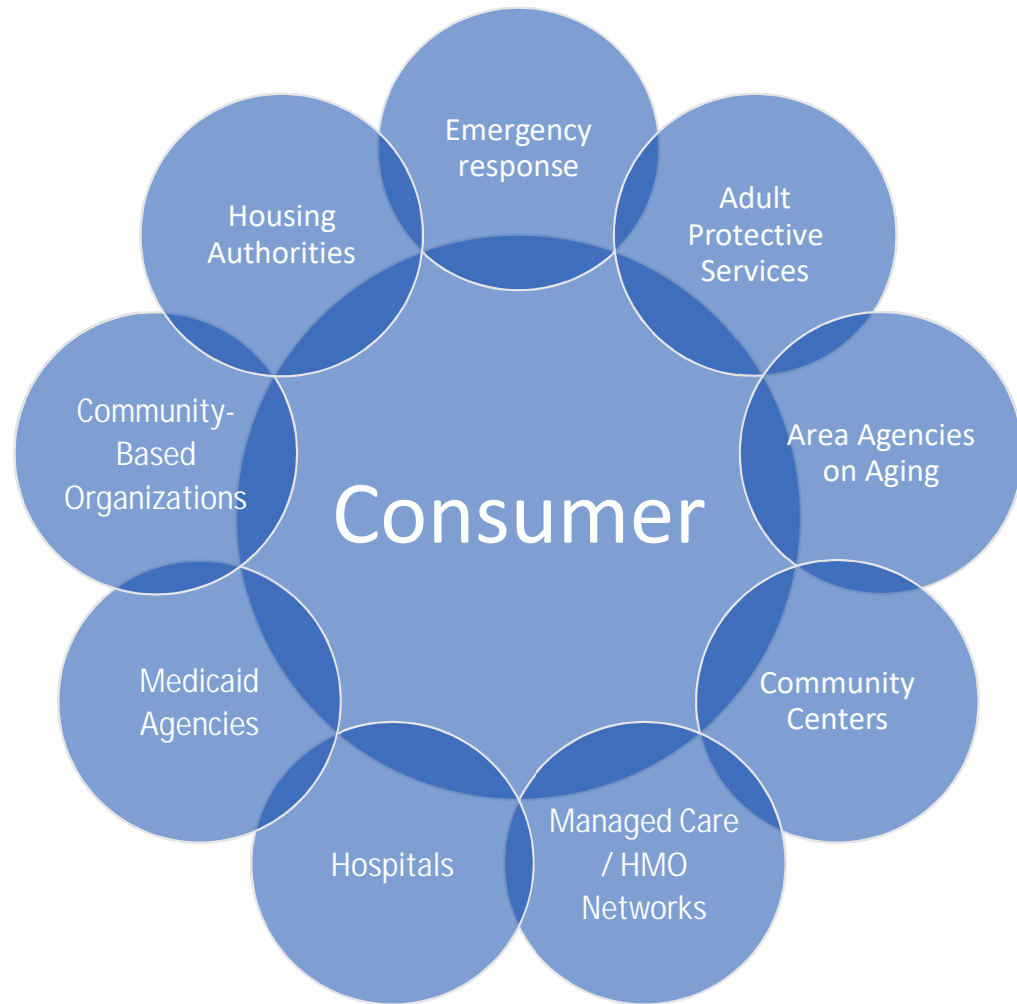


King County



Partnerships

In addition to contracted providers, AAAs build informal and formal partnerships with other entities



Advocacy, Community, Vision and Voice



Seattle-King County Advisory Council
for Aging & Disability Services



Mayor's Council on African
American Elders

Regional Services*



Elder Rights



Caregiver



Nutrition



Health and Wellness



Supportive Services



AAA Core Services

**May leverage other state or local dollars to offer additional programs*

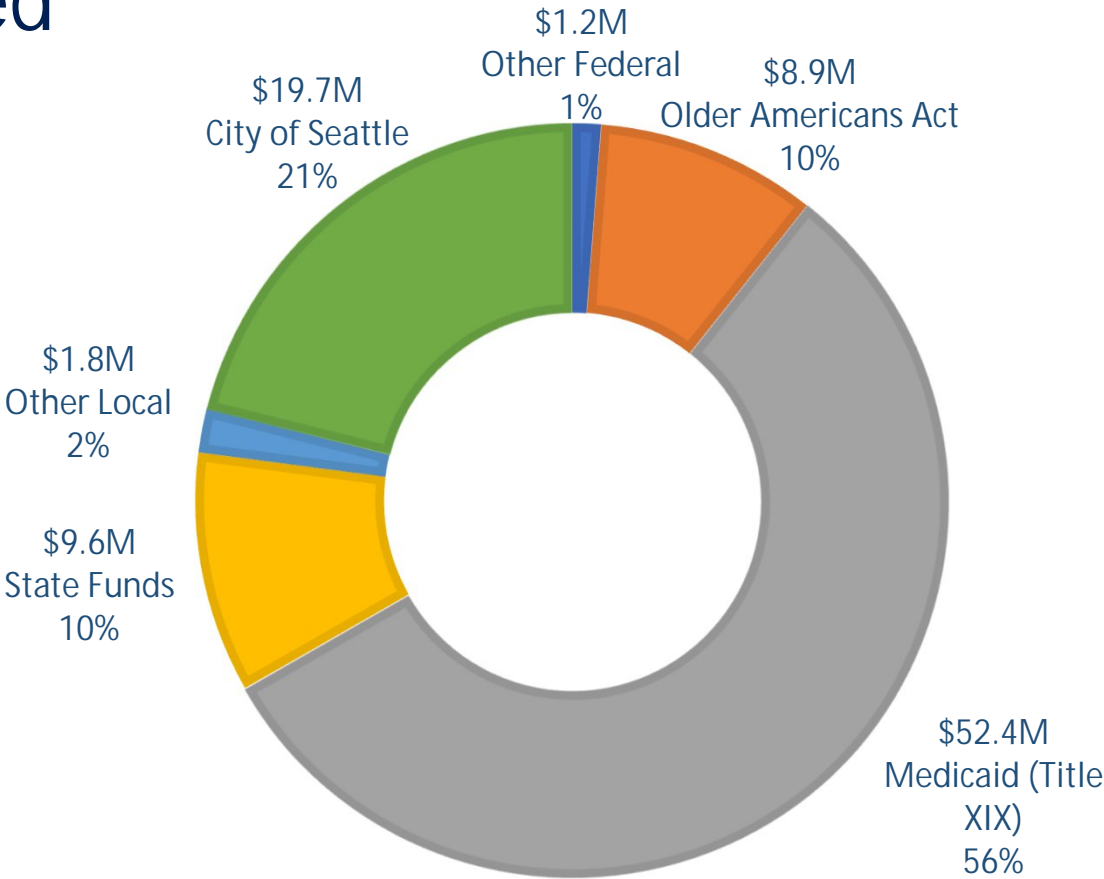


ADS by the Numbers

- 2026 Adopted Budget: \$93.6 million
- 183 contracts with 110 community agencies to provide services throughout King County
- 251.5 FTE
- Over 50,000 older adults in King County served (unduplicated)
- Approx. 16,000 are Seattle residents



2026 Adopted Budget



City Investments

- Mobile Integrated Health
- Age Friendly Seattle
- Senior Centers
- Enhanced investments for AAA services



Photo courtesy of South Park Senior Citizens

2026 Initiatives

- Develop the next four-year Area Plan on Aging
- Launch WA Cares – go live July 1, 2026
- Partner with HealthierHere on Health-Related Social Needs
- Expand anti-ageism trainings to broader networks



Where to Find Us

- Web: AgingKingCounty.org and Seattle.gov/AgeFriendly
- Monthly eZine: AgeWiseKingCounty.org

For information and access to services and resources contact:
Community Living Connections

- 1-844-348-5464 (toll free)
- 1-206-962-8467
- CommunityLivingConnections.org





Questions





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CITY OF SEATTLE

RESOLUTION _____

A RESOLUTION identifying the opportunity to develop a regional transportation hub adjacent to Westlake Park; creating a vision for how this hub will integrate with the surrounding neighborhoods; and setting forth directions for functionality, safety, and urban compatibility, along with guiding principles for the public projects planned for the area adjacent to Westlake Park.

WHEREAS, Westlake Park and its surrounding area have long served as a civic center, a place at the

intersection of social gatherings, park use, urban living, retail shopping, and a transit hub; and

WHEREAS, there are three public projects scheduled for the area surrounding Westlake Park, including the

Westlake Park Renovation Phase 1, which is currently underway and scheduled for completion by

Spring 2026, the Sound Transit Westlake Station expansion to support the Ballard Link light rail

extension, and future planning for Monorail station upgrades to improve safety, reliability, and

passenger capacity; and

WHEREAS, these public projects, along with Metro transit routes that serve the Westlake area, will create a

comprehensive multi-modal transportation hub that is essential for a connected and efficient regional

transportation system, as well as public spaces that are welcoming, lively, and safe, contributing to the

livability and economic vitality of the downtown core; and

WHEREAS, the City convened a Westlake Civic Committee in 2025 to review projects underway and establish

a shared planning framework for the area around Westlake Park and establish guiding principles to

inform planning and the integration of the public projects that will impact this area; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Westlake Civic Committee included the following individuals who represent

residents and businesses immediately adjacent to Westlake Park, along with others with a historical

perspective and understanding:

Mari Horita, Co-Chair (Downtown Seattle Association, Seattle Kraken)

Matt Griffin, Co-Chair (Downtown Advocate, Resident)

Gina Klem (Amazon)

Gordon McHenry, Jr. (United Way of King County)

Holly Golden (Hillis, Clark, Martin & Peterson P.S.)

Janel Jensen (BH Properties, owners of Pacific Place)

Joe Olujic (Muckleshoot Development Corporation)

Jon Scholes (Downtown Seattle Association)

Josh LaBelle (Seattle Theatre Group)

Laura Best (Nordstrom)

Laurie Black (Nordstrom, former director Boys & Girls Club King County)

Rebecca Bear (Seattle Parks Foundation)

Stanley McCammon (Joshua Green Corporation); and

WHEREAS, as the Westlake Park area changes and evolves in the coming years, the City of Seattle wishes to take advantage of this unique opportunity to create a revitalized urban center that enhances downtown and benefits all those who live, work, play, visit, and commute through Westlake; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE, THE MAYOR CONCURRING, THAT:

Section 1. Consistent with the recommendations of the Westlake Civic Committee, the City finds and declares that:

A. The area adjacent to Westlake Park will become a multi-modal transportation hub connecting the region to downtown Seattle with the completion of current and planned public projects, including Phase 1 of the Westlake Park renovation, scheduled for 2026, the Westlake Monorail station improvements, and the Sound

Transit Westlake Station expansion for the Ballard Link extension.

B. These public projects offer a unique chance to create a retail center, celebrated for its design and usability, that serves as a welcoming “front door” to the city’s lively urban core, meets the needs of current and future residents, and that is closely connected to and fully compatible with the transportation hub.

C. All planning, design, and development of public projects in the Westlake area, as well as any private projects that may occur, should advance the following foundational elements regarding functionality, safety, and urban compatibility:

1. An efficient and effective transportation hub that provides users an enjoyable and pleasant experience.
2. A clean, safe, well-lit, and attractive experience for everyone who passes through the hub.
3. A functional urban destination with interesting sidewalks, retail, and services, including overhead weather protection.
4. Comfortable, accessible, and easy wayfinding, enabling users of all abilities to easily and efficiently navigate through the hub to reach their destinations.
5. An economic catalyst for the retail core, creating interest and desirability for nearby shopping and attractions.
6. A unique, vibrant, and livable urban neighborhood with amenities that enable people and families to meet their needs and thrive.

D. The following guiding principles are adopted for all public projects underway or planned for the Westlake transportation hub:

1. Celebrate and represent the city’s diverse culture and heritage, innovative spirit, and natural beauty through natural materials, technology, historic elements, art, and design.
2. Act as an inviting gateway to Downtown, the Pike-Pine neighborhood, and provide easily accessible connections to the Pike Place Market, Waterfront Park, Seattle Convention Center, Historic Theater

District, and Seattle Center.

3. Provide high-quality and seamlessly interconnected public spaces that create a cohesive pedestrian and transportation experience for everyone using Light Rail, Metro Transit, bicycles, and other mobility options.

E. Subsequent efforts by the City departments engaged in projects underway or planned for the area will endeavor to fully incorporate these guiding principles into their work, and to build partnerships with the downtown community and other key agencies and stakeholders to advance a cohesive vision for the Westlake area based on these principles.

Adopted by the City Council the _____ day of _____, 2026, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its adoption this _____ day of _____, 2026.

President _____ of the City Council

The Mayor concurred the _____ day of _____, 2026.

Katie B. Wilson, Mayor

Filed by me this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Scheereen Dedman, City Clerk

(Seal)

SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE

Department:	Dept. Contact:	CBO Contact:
LEG	Jasmine Marwaha	

1. BILL SUMMARY

Legislation Title: A RESOLUTION identifying the opportunity to develop a regional transportation hub adjacent to Westlake Park, creating a vision for how this hub will integrate with the surrounding neighborhoods, and setting forth directions for functionality, safety, and urban compatibility, along with guiding principles for the public projects planned for the area adjacent to Westlake Park.

Summary and Background of the Legislation: The legislation would affirm the vision and planning framework adopted by the Westlake Civic Committee, including: foundational elements regarding functionality, safety, and urban compatibility; guiding principles all public projects underway or planned for the Westlake transportation hub; and a commitment that efforts by the City departments engaged in projects underway or planned for the area will endeavor to fully incorporate these guiding principles into their work, and to build partnerships with the downtown community and other key agencies and stakeholders to advance a cohesive vision for the Westlake area based on these principles.

2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Does this legislation create, fund, or amend a CIP Project? ☐ Yes ☒ No

3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Does this legislation have financial impacts to the City? ☐ Yes ☒ No

3.d. Other Impacts

Does the legislation have other financial impacts to The City of Seattle, including direct or indirect, one-time or ongoing costs, that are not included in Sections 3.a through 3.c? If so, please describe these financial impacts.

N/A

If the legislation has costs, but they can be absorbed within existing operations, please describe how those costs can be absorbed. The description should clearly describe if the absorbed costs are achievable because the department had excess resources within their existing budget or if by absorbing these costs the department is deprioritizing other work that would have used these resources.

N/A

Please describe any financial costs or other impacts of *not* implementing the legislation.

Please describe how this legislation may affect any City departments other than the originating department.

It will provide guiding principles for departments to refer to in working to advance public projects adjacent to Westlake Park.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

- a. Is a public hearing required for this legislation?** No
- b. Is publication of notice with The Daily Journal of Commerce and/or The Seattle Times required for this legislation?** No
- c. Does this legislation affect a piece of property?** No
- d. Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative.**
 - i. How does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities? How did you arrive at this conclusion? In your response please consider impacts within City government (employees, internal programs) as well as in the broader community.**
 - ii. Please attach any Racial Equity Toolkits or other racial equity analyses in the development and/or assessment of the legislation.** N/A
 - iii. What is the Language Access Plan for any communications to the public?**
N/A
- e. Climate Change Implications**
 - i. Emissions: How is this legislation likely to increase or decrease carbon emissions in a material way? Please attach any studies or other materials that were used to inform this response.** N/A
 - ii. 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.** N/A

- f. 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)? What mechanisms will be used to measure progress towards meeting those goals? N/A**
- g. Does this legislation create a non-utility CIP project that involves a shared financial commitment with a non-City partner agency or organization? N/A**

5. ATTACHMENTS

Summary Attachments:

Westlake Civic Committee & Guiding Principles

Alicia Teel, Interim Director
Mari Horita, Seattle Kraken

2/5/2026

Office of Economic Development

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Purpose of Today's Discussion

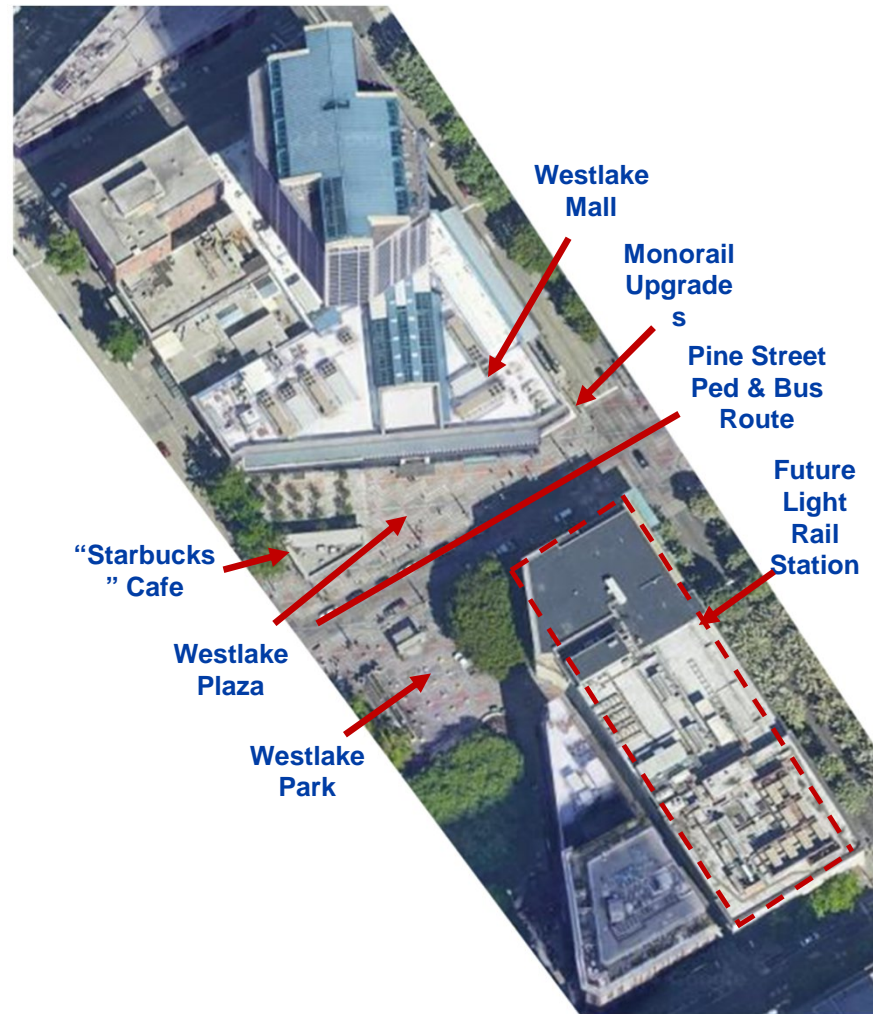
- Provide background on the Westlake Civic Committee and the proposed Westlake Guiding Principles Resolution

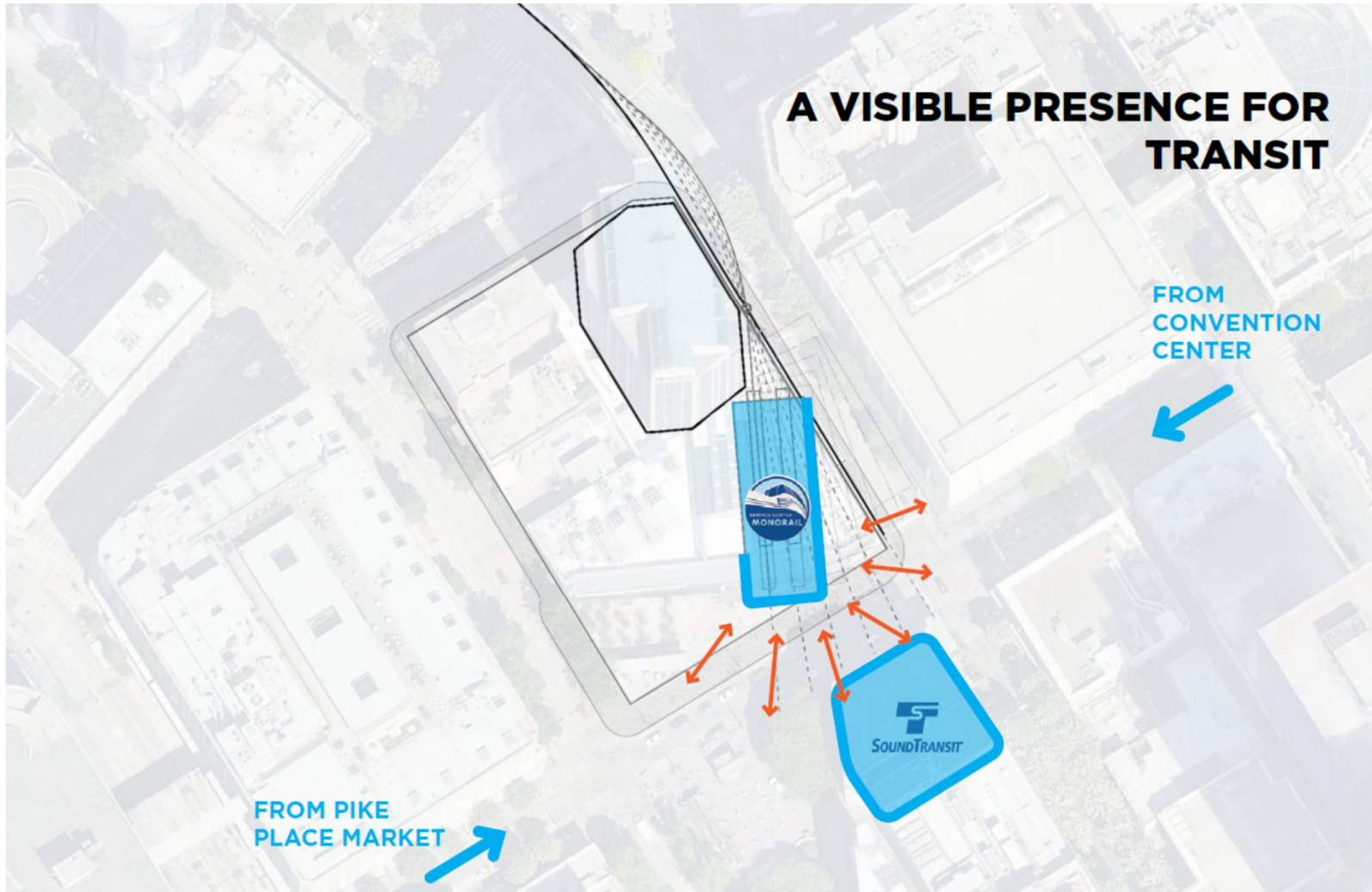


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Functionality, Safety, and Urban Compatibility

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Questions?

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