

**Levy Oversight Committee** 



# Agenda

- Review DRAFT principles of success
- Refresh—what we shared in June
- How your feedback was incorporated
  - Criteria for project analysis
- Programs of focus for Levy Portfolio Status Update
- LOC's role in next steps

# Reminder: Principles of Success

During the remaining life of the Levy to Move Seattle, we will:

- Work with the Levy Oversight Committee, SDOT Race and Social Justice Change Team, Transportation Equity Workgroup, and staff to ensure Levy resources continue to advance opportunities in BIPOC communities and minimize harm during the remaining years
- Make equitable, strategic, and targeted investments to prioritize funds to meet our 2018 work plan goals, reprioritize funds to projects that make progress on our 2015 levy deliverable goals, and support our citywide Vision Zero, equity, climate and asset management goals
- Strive to advance capital projects and allocate levy funds before 2025
- Work with stakeholders on a financial framework and strategy to determine which capital projects to prioritize if new funds are to materialize

### What we shared in June

- COVID Levy Assessment outlined next steps for 2021, including developing a Levy portfolio status update in 2Q 2021 (now early 2022) to provide greater detail on Levy deliverables through the end of the Levy period (2024)
- By June 2021, we had:
  - Developed draft principles of success to guide the Levy Portfolio Update (work plan for 2022-2024)
  - Begun to explore possible work plan adjustments and meet with program owners
  - Begun to identify finance options for work plan adjustments

# Your ongoing feedback has guided our approach/criteria

#### For example:

LOC 2019 Reflection Letter: The Committee encourages SDOT and city leadership to prioritize building a complete bike network. Active and healthy transportation is critical to moving people safely through the city and decreasing carbon pollution. Our Vision Zero goals and climate change goals both depend on completing the connections in the Bike Master Plan by 2030.

Response to SDOT's Proposed Prioritization Methodology for Anticipated Budget Impacts Related to COVID19: Providing transportation assets to areas of the city that have been historically underserved is of the utmost importance and should be considered strongly by SDOT when prioritizing levy projects...As noted earlier, the LOC would like to see an emphasis on safety in prioritization decisions...The LOC also feels strongly that projects that help work towards Seattle's climate change goals should be given emphasis... Urban Villages should also be taken into consideration when prioritizing projects since they are part of the city's strategy to reducing dependence on cars.

#### **LOC 2020 Reflection Letter**

The Move Seattle Levy goals include advancing Safe Routes which includes the City's Vision Zero Plan for eliminating traffic deaths and serious injuries...ongoing pedestrian deaths point "to a greater need to continue redesigning our streets to prioritize the safety of people over the speeds of vehicles." A recent study found that building safe bike facilities is one of the biggest factors for reducing fatal crashes and increasing safety for all travelers. Bold action to increase safety for all active transportation modes is desperately needed for creating a walkable city.

# Projects analyzed across criteria

(similar to COVID Impact Assessment)

- Safety
- Equity Focus Location
- **Equity Focus Benefit**
- **Delivery Status**

- Grants or Local Agency Partnerships
- Reduce Carbon Emissions
- Urban Village Focus

Criteria helps us to prioritize where investments should be made.

# Overall portfolio is on track; we are focusing on specific programs

- Programs at risk of not meeting goals:
  - #05 Bicycle Safety
  - #06 Sidewalk Safety Repair
  - #09 Arterial Roadway Maintenance
  - #10 Paving Spot Improvements
  - #12 Bridge Seismic Improvements
  - #18 Multimodal Improvements Fauntleroy<sup>1</sup>
  - #22 Light Rail Connections, Graham Street<sup>1</sup>
  - #25 New Sidewalks
- Investments will focus on programs where we can ensure meeting 2018 Workplan Goals and where we can make progress on original 2015 ordinance goals

<sup>1</sup>Projects delayed due to alignment with Sound Transit project schedules



# LOC's role in next steps

September 2021 November **December** October January 2022 **February** Share details of Share what we Update to LOC on **Submit Legislation** Collect LOC's thoughts / advice on project progress of the heard from recommendations to Council for recommendations/ proposed work plan Portfolio Status outreach to modal for portfolio authorization to Update project boards and other investments LOC drafts letter advising Mayor & Council implement stakeholders how to move forward with SDOT proposal recommendations Share proposed Finalize report and workplan for transmit to LOC recommendations and public



# Fall budget preview

### **Objectives & Priorities**

- Vigorously make progress towards Vision Zero and reimagine community safety
- Support an equitable recovery and accelerate citywide transportation evolution
- Deliver on Levy to Move Seattle, West Seattle Bridge Safety Program, other capital projects, and basic asset maintenance
- Invest in a robust set of low-carbon transportation options

#### Next steps

- Week of Sep. 20: Pre-budget submittal stakeholder engagement
- Week of Sep. 27: Budget transmittal
- October LOC meeting: Review budget
- Following budget transmittal: Office hours with stakeholders to ask questions and discuss budget ahead of public hearing



# Thank you!