



Move Seattle Levy Oversight Committee

December 1, 2020

5:00 – 7:00 PM

Virtual meeting*: [video conference](#) or 206-686-8357, conference ID 356089765#

Meeting is planned to begin promptly at 5:00 PM. Meeting will be launched at 4:45 PM to allow participants to log in early.

Meeting Agenda

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| 5:00 PM | Welcome and roll call, including guests from the Transportation Equity Workgroup
<i>Rachel Ben-Shmuel & Ron Posthuma, Co-chairs</i> |
| 5:10 PM | Public comment – press *6 to unmute from the call-in option (2 min. per person and note: guests will be muted after public comment) |
| 5:20 PM | COVID-19 Impact Levy Assessment – presentation and discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council actions to SDOT budget • VLF \$60 update • COVID-19 Impact Levy Assessment – discussion on draft provided November 25 (see page 2 for discussion questions)
<i>Lorelei Williams & Tracy Krawczyk, SDOT</i> |
| 6:20 PM | LOC action/response on recently transmitted briefing memos <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • November 5: Levy funding for Stay Healthy Streets • November 16: Bridge Seismic Program, Concept Design Report results |
| 6:40 PM | Committee business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LOC Secretary nominations and vote • 2021 LOC meeting schedule and current roster <i>Rachel Ben-Shmuel, Ron Posthuma Co-chairs</i> |
| 7:00 PM | Adjourn |

Next meeting:

February 2, 2021

5:00 – 7:00 PM

Virtual

*Meeting held in accordance with Governor’s Proclamation 20-28.4.

Committee Members

Rachel Ben-Shmuel, Co-chair

Lisa Bogardus

Vicky Clarke

Samuel Ferrara, secretary

Joseph Laubach

Inga Manskopf

Nick Paranjpye

Ron Posthuma, Co-chair

Hester Serebrin

Kevin Werner

Patrick Taylor

Bicycle Advisory Board

David Seater

Pedestrian Advisory Board

Todd Biesold

Freight Advisory Board

Jen Malley-Crawford

Transit Advisory Board

City Councilmember

Alex Pedersen

City Budget Director

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The Levy Oversight Committee is an advisory body that monitors revenues, expenditures, and program and project implementation. The Oversight Committee advises the City Council, the Mayor, and SDOT on responding to program and project cost savings or overruns.

*The Oversight Committee reviews SDOT’s program and project priorities and financial plans and makes recommendations to the Mayor and City Council regarding the spending of levy proceeds.
Council Bill 118402*

Discussion questions:

1. The draft COVID-19 Impact Assessment: Levy to Move Seattle aims to validate 2020-2021 budget decisions that reduced funding and paused projects as a result of the COVID-19-induced economic recession, as they pertain to the Levy. It was developed with input gathered from the LOC since May. **Are there any elements of the report that need further explanation or should be added to the final document to better clarify this objective?**
2. Since May, we have provided regular briefing updates to the LOC on the revenue forecasts, budget process, and COVID-19 impact assessment methodology and priorities. In response, the LOC has provided feedback, recommendations, and expressed priorities through meeting discussion and transmittal of letters. We have worked to incorporate the Committee's thoughtful and invaluable feedback throughout the assessment methodology, findings, and recommendations. **Are there any LOC recommendations you feel are not reflected in the COVID-19 assessment report?**
3. Recognizing that the recently passed City Council budget has restored \$1M for Route 7 sidewalks through 2021 budget actions, **do you agree with the 4 priority projects recommended to be restored in the COVID-19 Impact Assessment report?**
 - Planning/design for 2 Vision Zero projects: 1st Ave Safety corridor (\$300K) and CBD Safety Improvements (\$400K)
 - 23rd Ave Phase 3 (\$4.3M)
 - Sidewalks to support Route 7 – Rainier Beach-Downtown (\$1M)
4. Based on the recommendations outlined in the report, **is there anything you would change in the projects recommended to be restored? Are there projects that are not recommended for restoration that you believe should be restored? If so, how do you propose achieving that restoration (e.g., fund source and projects to be removed from restoration list)?**
5. Following a robust planning, community engagement, and project selection process in the 2019-2021 Neighborhood Street Fund cycle, the program will have met its delivery target upon the completion of the program's second round at end of 2021. **Do you have any concerns with the proposed use of the NSF's third round funding (\$6M+) to restore the projects recommended in the draft assessment?**
6. While a racial equity analysis was performed as part of the COVID-19 Impact Assessment, **do you believe there are other or unforeseen equity implications that will impact BIPOC and vulnerable communities related to the remaining paused projects or the proposed funding source for project restoration not adequately addressed in the report and racial equity analysis?**
7. Due to the Washington Supreme Court's rejection of I-976, the \$60 VLF fees that have been collected over the last 12 months (approx. \$23.7M) are now available. The \$60 VLF supports the Seattle Transit Benefit District (STBD) and the intent is to fund transit service and projects improving transit service or access. SDOT is working with the Transit Advisory Board (TAB) to develop priorities for programming this funding and to identify a spend plan and list of projects for restoration. **Are there recommendations you'd like to provide the Transit Advisory Board in considering the VLF \$60 funds to restore Levy projects?**