



CITY OF BURIEN 2021 STATE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

The City of Burien is a vibrant and creative community, where the residents embrace diversity, celebrate arts and culture, promote vitality, and treasure the environment. Our entire community has made tremendous sacrifices to reduce the spread of COVID-19, and our goal is to protect our community's health and help our local economy.

Health and Thriving Communities

- Support additional resources to address housing instability created by the economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, including rent assistance and foreclosure prevention assistance.
- Continue to invest and fund the Housing Trust Fund.
- Support policies and funding that provides greater access and equity for broadband services.
- Support efforts to address the impacts of Sea-Tac Airport operations on air quality and the health of residents in our communities, including monitoring, studies, and mitigation packages such as air filters in schools.

Quality of Life and Economic Development

- Support a new transportation revenue proposal, with an emphasis on increased funding for public transportation, safe routes to school, and safety improvements along our most congested roadways that facilitate the movement of goods and services throughout our broader transportation system.
 - Seek \$3.5 million in design funding for the SR 518 Westbound on-ramp to Des Moines Memorial Drive.
- Continue to pursue full funding for the Public Works Trust Fund (PWTF) and defend against the redirection of PWTF program funds.
- Seek \$5 million for the design and construction of the Burien Public Works and Parks Shared Maintenance Facility.
- Support comprehensive tax reform, such as a state income tax and capital gains tax, that leads to a more equitable and progressive tax structure and decreased reliance on flat tax sources like sales and property taxes.
- Provide greater flexibility to use funds from existing revenue sources to help Burien manage the impacts of the economic crisis.
- Support policies that preserve local control and input regarding how local elections are administered.
- Support efforts to make childcare more affordable for low-income and middle-class families.

Public Safety

- Support a statewide standard for use of force and the creation of a database to track officers who have been fired from their employment for misconduct.
- Support the expansion of grounds for decertification to include use of force violations.
- Support policies requiring an investigation of an officer be completed, regardless of whether the officer resigns prior to an investigation being completed.

- Support additional resources to diversion and reentry services.
- Support responsible solutions to reduce gun violence.

Advancing Climate Progress

- Support policies that reduce climate polluting emissions and ensure equity for lower income communities and communities of color to share in the economic opportunities presented by solutions to climate change.
- Support policies for a low carbon/clean fuel standard and a price on carbon.
- Support efforts for dedicated funding to help the Department of Natural Resources implement wildfire and forest health plans.