



City of Shoreline 2022 State Legislative Priorities

Shoreline-Specific Priorities:

- Maintain project visibility for the N 148th Street non-motorized pedestrian/bicycle bridge as a strong candidate for any state transportation package.
- Support capital budget funding flexibility for feasibility studies and site acquisition for a Regional Crisis Triage Center in north King County to support the ability of the five-city North Sound RADAR program to engage in acute behavioral health interventions.

Legislative Issues the City Supports:

- Adopt a new transportation revenue package that increases emphasis on transit and non-motorized travel, prioritizes maintenance, and provides an equitable level of local funding and additional long-term, sustainable revenue options for cities to support and maintain local transportation infrastructure.
- Support direct funding for cities to administer diversion programs related to misdemeanor drug possession cases handled by city law enforcement and now adjudicated in municipal courts, as well as Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) services, therapeutic courts, and a diversion tracking database.
- Preserve City fiscal health with secure funding sources.
 - Remove the existing 1% property tax limitation or revise by indexing it to inflation, population growth, or some related indicator.
 - Support efforts to review and revise both state and local tax structures so they rely less on regressive revenue options, without negatively impacting local revenue authority.
 - Maintain existing shared revenues.
- Support legislation that addresses climate change impacts, across all sectors, including allowing local jurisdictions to modify the State residential Energy Code.
- Continue to advance a watershed-based approach and strategic plan to address local fish-blocking culverts along with state culverts; seek state resources to correct locally owned culverts as a part of the state's overall resolution to the culvert injunction.

- Continue to address homelessness and increase equitable access to housing through incentives and support for local efforts, without use of mandates; seek development of new tools to accomplish this goal, such as establishment of Housing Benefit Districts.
- Realize the full resource impacts of legislative changes to law enforcement and behavioral health policies through increased funding for behavioral health treatment and response services and facilities.
- Support clarification of the civil standards for use of force requirements so law enforcement can better understand the state requirements and know when they can intervene in a situation, including a mental health crisis, where a crime is not being committed.