



## Active Transportation Plan Update



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#### KEY QUESTIONS for both the ATP and VZ Plans:

- Have we captured the Transportation
   Commission Comments accurately?
- 2. Are we missing anything major?

### Vision Zero Policy in Kirkland



Kirkland adopted the Vision Zero policy in 2015 as part of the Transportation Master Plan.

Goal T-0: Zero traffic fatalities and serious injuries by 2035.

#### Purpose of Vision Zero Action Plan

- Mechanism for re-evaluating crash data over time on a semiregular basis
- Identifies additional **objectives and strategies** the city will take aimed at reaching the Vision Zero goal





### Key Take-Aways from Crash Data Analysis



- Focus on pedestrian and bicycle related crashes
- Focus on speeds
- Uncontrolled intersections
- In-attention and driver distraction also an issue



#### Action Plan - Objectives

- Prioritize Safe Street Design
- Operate Safe Streets
- Build a Robust and Transparent Data Framework
- Promote and Institutionalize a Culture of Safety



# Operating Safe Streets: Speeds

- Evaluating speeds city-wide (existing policy, implementation)
  - Arterials
  - Neighborhood Streets
  - School Zones (+ other operational improvements)



#### **Engineering and Project Implementation** Trade-offs



#### Safety lens Vision Zero lens:

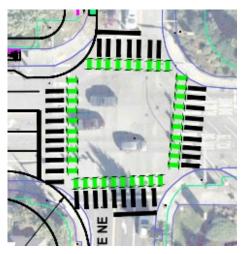
- Trade-offs include potentially longer travel times or driving convenience:
  - Longer wait times at signals (examples: leading pedestrian intervals or default pedestrian signals)
  - Longer queues for drivers (132<sup>nd</sup> Crossing of the CKC)
  - Restrictive turn movements (no right turn on red lights)
  - Greater expense in projects such as adding protected intersections
  - Increased protection in general for people walking and bicycling





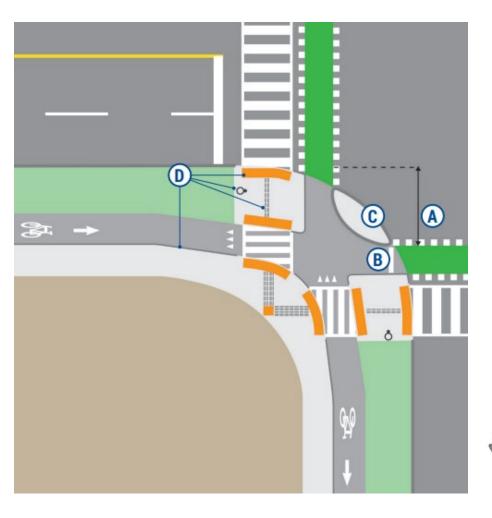
#### Protection in bike lanes and at the Intersection















#### **Data and Transparency**

#### More information on website such as maps, charts and trend data

- Heat maps
- Update each year or every other year
- Contributing factors
- Crash data web-map
- Corridor and intersection analysis





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#### Plan Purpose and coordination with other plans

- Bicycle and Pedestrian network and projects withing public right-of-way
- Builds upon (not limited to):
  - Safer Routes to School Action Plans, Cross Kirkland Corridor Master Plan, Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan, Neighborhood Safety Program, etc.

Safe and Active Transportation (not silo plans)



#### Public Engagement

- Appendix A now includes all the comments from the public comment form
- Transportation Commission comment summary
- Summary of public comments– general support, greater protection, many comments on specific projects, lowering speeds

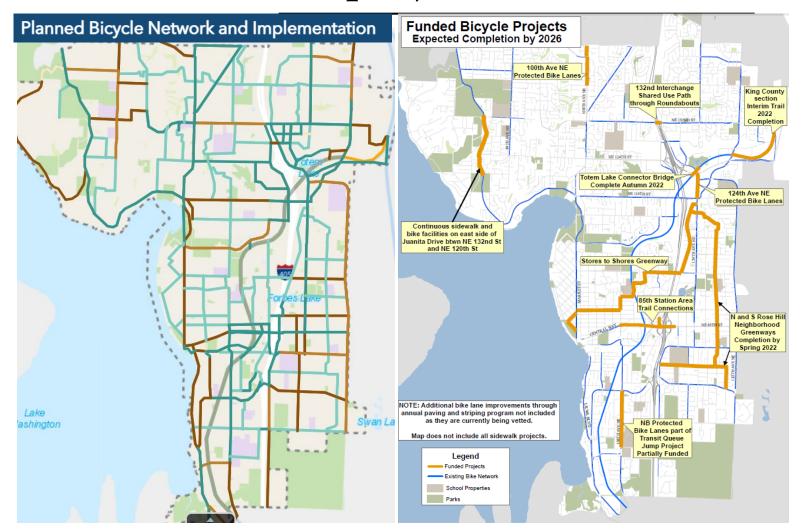


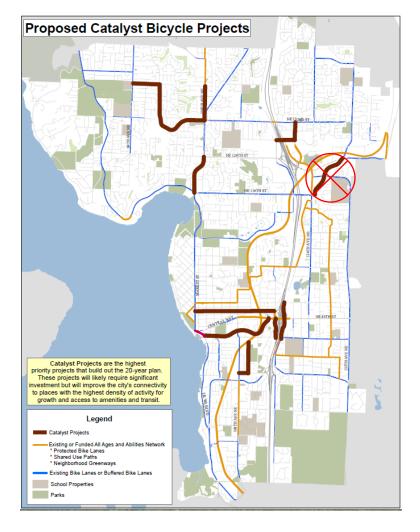
#### Pedestrian Project Recommendations

- maintenance of current system
- high priority crossings
- high priority sidewalk gaps identified by prioritization
- priority projects of equal weight with the objective to finish sidewalks on at least one side of all arterials
- inclusion of 'special projects' Lake Wa Blvd and Park Lane



### Bike Network <u>on-line map</u>, catalyst projects and funded projects







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