Ordinance 822 – Authorizing an additional Vehicle License Fee of \$20 for funding of Sidewalk Repair and Retrofit

June 4, 2018



Review of Council Discussion on Sidewalk Repair Funding

2016

- ✓ City Council began discussion on development of ADA Transition Plan
 2017
- ✓ March 3 Council Goalsetting Workshop Discussion on Sidewalk funding alternatives
- ✓ October 26 Sidewalk Advisory Committee Meeting #4 with Council
- ✓ November 20 Council Discussion on Sidewalk conditions and funding alternatives
- ✓ November 27 Continued Discussion and Proposed Ordinance 772 to increase VLF
- ✓ November 30 Sidewalk Advisory Committee Meeting #5 and recommendation
- ✓ December 11 Council Discussion and action on Ord. No 722 (4-3 against)

2018

- ✓ March 17 Council Goalsetting Workshop Discussion on funding options
- April 23, 2018 Draft Sidewalk Prioritization Plan and ADA Transition Plan Funding Recommendations
- ✓ May 14, 2018 Discussion of Proposed Ordinance No. 822 to increase VLF
- June 4, 2018 Adoption of Proposed Ordinance No. 822 to increase VLF



Tonight

- Review of Sidewalk conditions and needs
- Review of Shoreline's Transportation Benefit District
- Reasons for staff recommendation of an additional \$20 Vehicle License Fee (VLF)
- Adoption of Ordinance No. 822

Sidewalk Conditions and Needs

- 72.3 miles of sidewalks
- Only 11.1 miles are fully ADA compliant
- Estimate over \$100 million in sidewalk repairs
- Current funding approximately \$190,000-200,000 per year

Shoreline's Transportation Benefit District (TBD)

- Established for purpose of acquiring, constructing, improvement, providing and funding transportation improvements
- \$20 VLF first levied in 2009
 - Annual revenue of ~\$830,000 allocated to
 Annual Road Surface Maintenance Program

TBD Vehicle License Fee

- Councilmanic Authority
 - Authority to impose up to \$50
 - At this time an additional \$20 can be imposed for total of \$40
 - generate additional \$830,000 annually
 - Council can authorize an additional \$10 after
 24 months

Why Vehicle License Fee

- Can support Debt or Pay as you go
- On-going funding for an on-going program
- Consistent use of VLF for maintenance
 - Existing \$20 is for pavement preservation
- Supports Sidewalk Advisory Committee (SAC) top priority to repair existing sidewalks



Alternatives Analysis

- Approve (Recommended):
 - Accelerates repair of high priority sidewalk issues
 - Provides reliable and sustainable funding source of up to \$830,000 per year
 - Revenue collection will begin March 1, 2019



Alternatives Analysis

- Do Not Approve (Not Recommended):
 - Maintains current funding level of ~\$200,000 for sidewalk repairs unless an alternate revenue source is identified
 - Delays timeframe to complete improvements



Council Action

I move to adopt Ordinance No. 822 as proposed by staff to increase the vehicle license fee by \$20.

