

Discussing the 2023 State Legislative Priorities

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Purpose of Agenda

- Fluid and dynamic legislative environment
- Priorities guide staff activity
- Enables advancement of key goals
- Supports collaboration with partners, e.g.,
Sound Cities Association and Association
of Washington Cities

2023 Legislative Session

- “Long”, 105-day session
- First year of biennium
- Operating, Capital and Transportation budgets

Context: AWC Priorities

- Shoreline is active in AWC, helps to inform AWC priorities
- Key items of interest to Shoreline include:
 - *Blake* decision
 - Behavioral health
 - Housing incentives, not mandates

Shoreline-specific Priorities

- Capital Budget funding for neighborhood park improvements
- Funding support, as needed, for capital and start-up costs for crisis receiving center in north King County
- Exploration of additional transportation funding for 148th St. Bridge with increased revenue projections from Climate Commitment Act

Key Policy Issues

- *Blake* decision implementation
 - Funding
 - Law clarification
- Climate change and sustainability
 - Effective use of climate action resources
- Fish-blocking culverts

Key Policy Issues

- Homelessness and equitable access to housing
- Sustainable, ongoing, flexible funding options for local jurisdictions
 - Including look at new approaches, such as road usage charges

Key Policy Issues

- City fiscal health
 - Less regressive tax structure
 - Revision to existing 1% property tax limits
 - State funding for local park maintenance and operations

Questions?

