Public Works Department 2020 - 2021 Work Plan



About the Public Works Department:

- The Public Works Department consists of Capital Projects Engineering, Right-of-Way, Water Utility, Sanitary Sewer Utility, Solid Waste, Fleet Services and Administration.
- Each utility has an adopted Comprehensive Plan that serves as a "road map" for the utility. The Comprehensive Plans cover operations and maintenance, capital reinvestment, financial planning and utility policies (Water System Plan adopted in 2016, General Sewer Plan adopted in 2019, Stormwater Plan adopted in 2006).
- Public Works maintains over 110 miles of sewer mains, over 5,129 stormwater catch basins, 113 miles of water mains, and over 84 miles of public roadways.

Work Item 1: Council Priority 2 - Prepare for Light Rail and Improve On and Off Island Mobility				
Description	Dept. Lead / Liaison	Staff Comments	Timeline	
Prepare for Sound Transit Light Rail Station and Bus Intercept	Jason Kintner, Kirsten		2020	2021
Working with the City Manager's Office, CPD, MIPD, MIFD, ST, Metro, and other staff to ensure safe design and implementation of ST Light Rail Station and bus intercept.	Taylor, Ross Freeman, Anne Tonella-Howe	High		1 Q2 Q3 Q4 🖒
Implement Sound Transit Settlement Safety & Mobility Projects Propose safety and mobility projects for Council review and approval utilizing adopted Guiding Principles.	Anne Tonella-Howe, Jason Kintner, Kirsten Taylor	High		11 Q2 Q3 Q4 🖒
Transportation Planning Prepare annual TIP. Work with Metro to maintain #630 Community Shuttle services for Mercer Island.	Kirsten Taylor, Jason Kintner, Anne Tonella-Howe	High		1 Q2 Q3 Q4 🖒

Work Item 2: Projects				
Description	Dept. Lead / Liaison	Staff Comments	Timeline	
Prepare Response to Initiative 976	Jason Kintner,		2020	2021
Following State Supreme Court ruling, mitigate impacts to Street Fund.	Anne Tonella-Howe,	Legally required	01 03 03 04	01 02 03 04
	Patrick Yamashita		Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	QI QZ Q3 Q4
Water Meter Replacement Project				
More than 60% of existing water meters are greater than 15 years old	Brian McDaniel,			
and are at the end of useful life. Replacement of meters (over 7k	Jason Kintner,		—	a. a. a. a. 📥
meters) with new meter and technology. RFP completed in 2019.	Alfredo Moreno,	High	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 🛶
Implementation timing to be finetuned with contract negotiations and	Ross Freeman			
Utility Board/Council preference.				

Work Item 2: Projects (Continued)				
Description	Dept. Lead / Liaison	Staff Comments	Timeline	
Honeywell Soil Remediation			2020 2021	
Complete soil remediation from Underground Storage Tank (UST) fuel				
leak at City Maintenance Shop and adjacent property (9555/Honeywell	Jason Kintner	Legally required		
site). Remediation underway, further efforts needed to achieve No			🖒 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 🖒	
Further Action from DOE.				
ADA Transition Plan	Jason Kintner, Anne			
Complete ADA transition plan to meet federal requirements.	Tonella-Howe, Paul West,	Legally required	□ Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	
	Matt Mornick			
SCADA Replacement				
Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) project (monitoring	BrianMcDaniel, Water &			
and alarm system) for the water and sewer utilities. The project is	Sewer Utility Teams, Jason	High		
currently in design and expected to extend into 2021 due to project	Kintner	i ligii	الم	
complexities. The Department is working to establish baseline norms	Killere			
for system operation and sequencing for construction/replacement.				
King County Sewer Interceptor Project	Anne Tonella-Howe, Brian, Jason Kintner, Ross, Paul, Alaine Sommargren	High		
King County is finalizing design of sewer replacement. Construction will			🖒 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 🖒	
impact City infrastructure and City right of way (ROW). Coordinate				
design and mitigate impacts of construction.	Addite Sommargren			
FS 91 Remediation				
Complete site characterization and complete remediation to attain "No	Bio Park, Jason Kintner	Legally required	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 🔷	
Further Action" letter from DOE.				
Complete Water Vulnerability Assessment	Rona Lin, Anne Tonella-Howe			
Required as part of America's Water Infrastructure Act, the City must		Legally required	N	
complete the Risk and Resiliency Assessment and report to the EPA by			Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	
June 30, 2021. Staff will complete this work as part of the Emergency				
Response Plan for the Water System Plan.				

Work Item 3: Operations				
Description	Dept. Lead / Liaison	Staff Comments	Time	line
Storm Response & Repairs	Jason Kintner,	Emergency Work	2020	2021
Resolve emergency issues from December 2019 storm.	Brian Hartvigson		🔷 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 (Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 🔷
Cityworks Software Implementation				
Refine Cityworks program workflows/business process and develop	PW Teams	High	🔷 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 (Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4🔷
reports for key performance indicators.				

Work Item 3: Operations (Continued)				
Description	Dept. Lead / Liaison	Staff Comments	Timeline	
Implement Sewer Utility CCTV and Combination Vactor Jetter Truck			2020	2021
As part of the 2019-2020 budget approval, the Sewer Utility is bringing previously contracted work for the CCTV/jetting work "in-house." The equipment will arrive in January 2020 and staff will begin completing this O&M activity utilizing existing staff resources.	Brian McDaniel, Sewer Utility Team	High	□ Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 🖒

Work Item 4: Administration				
Description	Dept. Lead / Liaison	Staff Comments	Timeline	
Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)			2020 2021	
Development of the six-year capital improvement plan for Public Works	PW Engineers	High		
projects.			Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 🛶	
Utility Rate Fee Studies				
Water Rate Model, Sewer Rate Model, and Stormwater Rate Model are				
due for rate studies. Questions to answer include whether block rate				
structure remains effective, bi-monthly vs monthly billing cycles,	Jason Kintner,	High		
recovery of fixed costs, connection fees and conservation efforts. Items	LaJuan Tuttle,			
to consider include future of utility capital program, SCADA, data	Utility Billing			
available with new water meter implementation, SPU rate changes and				
King County Sewer rate changes. Timeline will depend on				
implementation of new water meters and SCADA.				
Negotiate New Agreements with Union	Jason Kintner, Evan			
Negotiate new Collective Bargaining Agreement with AFSCME.	Maxim, Ryan Daly, Lara	High	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	
	Gerheim			
Staff Transitions				
Recruit and train new staff. Key staff retirements anticipated in the	Jason Kintner	Medium	🖒 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 🖒	
next biennium.				
2021-2022 Budget	Jason Kintner, LaJuan,			
Prepare PW budget, including TIP and utility rates. Utility Board	Anne Tonella-Howe,	Legally required	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	
Presentations June, September, October.	Patrick Yamashita			
Communication Strategies	Jason Kintner,			
In conjunction with City Communications Manager, Ross Freeman,	Ross Freeman	Medium	🖒 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 🖒	
continue outreach and public education efforts.	1/022 CEIIIaii			