

Submissions from 2023-2028

TIP Public Comment

(All comments received by May 23, 2022)

Submission No.	Category	Location	Comment/Suggestion	Date Submitted
1	Other Transportation Project	76th Avenue SE & SE 27th Street	There aren't enough pedestrian crossings on this section of 76th Ave/27th St. Many people jaywalk at the 2 intersections by the drive-through starbucks.	3/27/2022
2	Pedestrian and Bicycle Project	Sunset Hwy & 77th Avenue SE	The intersection of Sunset Hwy and 77th Ave SE is generally unsafe for pedestrians. Cars are going about 30 mph with little indication pedestrians may be crossing here. There is an orange flag provided for crossing but holding this up is kind of embarrassing. I would love for this to be a controlled intersection, ideally more narrow so pedestrians can spend less time in the road. I would also love to see street design that would force cars to drive more slowly, such as a narrower street or a roundabout.	3/27/2022
3	Pedestrian and Bicycle Project	76th Avenue SE & SE 27th Street	Cars often move quickly when driving south on 76th, turning right to continue south as the road bends. Vehicles sometimes take this turn at over 30 mph! I would love to see a better intersection design here- perhaps a sharper turn to require cars to slow down before turning.	3/27/2022
4	Pedestrian and Bicycle Project	76th Avenue SE & SE 27th Street	The current pedestrian crosswalk is about 60 feet wide here, at the existing pedestrian crossing on the west side of 76th Ave SE (going from the north-west side, near hadley, to the south-west side, near Engel and Volkers.) This seems excessively wide. It's especially painful to see the old people that live in buildings nearby take about 30 seconds to cross the road. This crossing should be made more narrow, perhaps with a narrower street or a pedestrian island.	3/27/2022
5	Pedestrian and Bicycle Project	77th Avenue SE between SE 27th Street & Sunset Hwy	77th Ave has insufficient bicycle accommodations; there is no easy place to ride between the light rail station and 27th st, and only narrow painted bike lanes south of 27th st to mercerdale park. The narrow painted bike lanes are also planned for removal (replaced by onstreet parking.) Because this street provides direct access to the I-90 trail and the future light rail station, this road should have bicycles as a major consideration. I would love to see fully protected bike lanes similar to 2nd ave in downtown seattle.	3/27/2022
6	Pedestrian and Bicycle Project	76th Avenue SE between SE 27th Street & N Mercer Way	76th Ave between N. Mercer Way and 27th St does not have any bicycle accommodation. This is a major connecting route between the I-90 trail and the Town Center. I would love to see fully protected bike lanes similar to 2nd ave in downtown Seattle.	3/27/2022
7	Pedestrian and Bicycle Project	Mercerwood Drive	Protect the shoulder better for pedestrians - it is pretty dangerous for kids to walk to school up Mercerwood as cars go quite fast and there is zero barrier between them and the cars.	4/12/2022
8	Other Transportation Project	84th Avenue SE	Constant speeding cars making this straight section of street along 84th Ave SE unsafe for kids and pets (and other drivers). I requested speed bumps but was told a traffic assessment would start soon? I would love an update. Lots of "drag race" style acceleration and dangerous close calls.	4/14/2022
9	Other Transportation Project	84th Avenue SE	Speeding cars make walking up and down this hill tough, especially at night. Need street lights and speed bumps. The "path" in the wooded area is not a safe walkway so people "chance it" along the side of the street. Terrifying.	4/14/2022
10	Other Transportation Project	84th Avenue SE	This street has no streetlights at night. This makes being a pedestrian dangerous at night, especially in the sections with exposed ditches for drainage and no curb.	4/14/2022
11	Other Transportation Project	84th Avenue SE	84th Ave SE needs street lights. This stretch has a lot of pedestrian traffic consisting of kids and pets, but speeding cars make it dangerous.	4/14/2022
12	Pedestrian and Bicycle Project	Island Crest Way between SE 68th Street to SE 71st Street.	Please add a short gravel walkway (~20 yards) connection from the SE Quadrant of Pioneer Park to the street at SE 72nd Pl. Walking north on SE 72nd Pl, pedestrians must walk directly on Island Crest Way (which is dark and narrow here) to get to the safe walkway in SE Pioneer Park. A short gravel connection would make the area safer for students (there is a school bus stop here at ICW and 72nd PL) and pedestrians. 72nd Pl has many pedestrian pathways that connect all the way to East Mercer Way (and to Clarke Beach), so this short gravel path would be a positive impact many in our community. Thank you!	4/20/2022
13	Pedestrian and Bicycle Project	Island Crest Way between Pioneer Park to SE 72nd Place	Please consider adding a walkway (gravel) along Island Crest Way from 68th St. SE to 71st St. SE on the west side of Island Crest Way. This is a busy area with lots of traffic- especially at the 4 way stop. This inexpensive walkway along West ICW would add a safe way to get to Pioneer Park and the South end shops so pedestrians don't have to "zig zag" across ICW at the 71st St. location. Thank you for making MI safer for pedestrians.	4/20/2022
14	Other Transportation Project	Island Crest Way & SE 68th St	A wider, roundabout at this intersection, with bright white paint pedestrian crossing lines would make this intersection safer. Trim trees back and add street lighting. Bonus: An art sculpture, placed in the middle of the new roundabout, would be a welcome addition!	4/21/2022
15	Pedestrian and Bicycle Project	SE 40th Street & 95th Ave SE	add ped/bike path from SE 40th to SE 36th street, to better connect Mercerwood to City Hall, I-90 trail, Gallagher Hill, and the preschools along SE 36th St.	4/21/2022
16	Other Transportation Project	E Mercer Way & SE 36th Street	add striping/signage to N/S crosswalk, in front of JCC/FASPS driveway. There is very prominent signage across EMW, but without equivalent signage in front of JCC/FASPS driveway, drivers entering/leaving JCC/FASPS often fail to yield to pedestrians.	4/21/2022
17	Pedestrian and Bicycle Project	SE 44th Place & E Mercer Way	add wayfinding from SE 44th pl going down to MSC. There is no sign in this direction to show that it's a public path	4/21/2022

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18	Pedestrian and Bicycle Project	Crestwood Place & 95th Ave SE	add wayfinding from Crestwood pl to path down to 95th Ave SE; there is no signage in this direction to indicate it's a public path	4/21/2022
19	Pedestrian and Bicycle Project	E Mercer Way between SE 36th St & SE 40th St	eliminate parking along narrow sections of EMW shoulder except in inclement weather. if cars are parked, there is not enough space for pedestrians to walk past without stepping into oncoming traffic lanes. As they're stepping out from behind parked cars, they are not very visible and create many unsafe situations. alternatively, re-strip EMW so that there is narrow shoulder on both east and west side - too narrow to park on, but wide enough to allow pedestrians to walk. add signage reminding cyclists that they should use the roadway and leave the shoulder for pedestrians.	4/21/2022
20	Non TIP	91st Ave SE & SE 45th St	add pedestrian trails through Hollerbach open space. Safe, green walking trails separate from roads greatly enhance the character of the island!	4/21/2022
21	Other Transportation Project	80th Ave SE & I-90	make 80th Ave one-way (southbound), so carpool lane turns LEFT (towards majority of island) rather than RIGHT (towards P&R). Make bus-only connection from 80th Ave to Sunset Hwy. This would allow buses to circulate CCW around light rail, making all right turns. This would minimize traffic congestion from the buses, avoid any	4/21/2022
22	Non TIP	W Shorewood Dr & W Concord Way	recover ULB park to Shorewood trail. This trail used to exist, and is shown on some maps (inc this one), but it is not well-maintained and signage in Shorewood suggests it is not a public trail.	4/21/2022
23	Pedestrian and Bicycle Project	SE 40th Street & E Mercer Way	add wayfinding. SE 40th St heading EB from EMW is public, but state of road and lack of wayfinding suggests it's private	4/21/2022
24	Pedestrian and Bicycle Project	SE 40th Street & E Mercer Way	trail to complete access to Lake. SE 40th right of way goes to lake. A simple section of trail + bench would create a nice neighborhood destination for walkers. The street end parks on west side of MI are a treasure, and yet this is one on the east side that is completely inaccessible/unsigned.	4/21/2022
25	Non TIP	Islandwide	Serious enforcement traffic rules on bikers (stopping & signaling at intersection, staying in own bike marked lane - don't take up entire traffic lane by biking next to each other, don't litter residential property and lanes - carry litter bag).	4/22/2022
26	Other Transportation Project	Islandwide	Clearly mark bike lanes, widen car lanes.	4/22/2022
See Below For Public Comments Received Following the Deadline for Inclusion in the TIP Preview For City Council on May 3, 2022 (AB6068)				
27	Other Transportation Project	Mercer Island P&R	Expand parking at the park and ride! Every islander should have an option to ride public transit into the city ... It's impossible when the park and ride fills up :(4/23/2022
28	Pedestrian and Bicycle Project	Island Crest Way / Islandwide	The most important project on the TIP is filling in the "missing link" along Island Crest Way between 53rd and 68th Streets. There is no safe connection for families, school kids or even commuters from the south end to the city center and back. For decades, the city's two Bike Pedestrian Plans (1996 and 2010) (and even this year's Island Crest Way Safety Study) have called for creating a safe route down the center of the Island for bicycles and pedestrians. Filling in this gap would connect students on the north end with IMS and students on the south end with MIHS, providing a needed alternative to automobile pick up and drop off. The timing is particularly good now. The state's new Transportation bill provides \$1.3 billion for improving community bicycle infrastructure and education across the state. Mercer Island needs to move ahead even more quickly to create the engineering plans needed to apply for the nearly \$600 million in grants that this bill is funds. In general, Mercer Island needs more alternatives to streets designed only for cars. Electric scooters, e-bikes, and bicycling in general are on the rise. Other communities around Lake Washington are far ahead of Mercer Island in constructing these facilities; Mercer Island needs to provide the infrastructure improvements for a healthy, safe, family oriented community.	4/26/2022