## SHORELINE CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

Monday, November 11, 2019 12:45 p.m.

## United States Representative Pramila Jayapal, Congresswoman, Washington 7th District

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

### 2. AGENDA ITEMS

- Welcome and Introductions
- Shoreline's Federal Issues, Interests and Priorities
- Q&A: Current Legislative Activity in Washington, D.C.

### **3. ADJOURNMENT**

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### **Shoreline City Council**

Mayor Will Hall Deputy Mayor Doris McConnell Councilmember Susan Chang Councilmember Keith McGlashan (absent) Councilmember Chris Roberts Councilmember Betsy Robertson Councilmember Keith Scully

### **City of Shoreline Staff**

John Norris, Assistant City Manager James Hammond, Intergovernmental Relations U.S. Rep. Pramila Jayapal's Office

Congresswoman Pramila Jayapal Rachel Berkson, District Director Marielle Trumbauer, Outreach Coordinator



12:45 p.m.

Conference Room 303 · Shoreline City Hall

17500 Midvale Avenue North

1:45 p.m.



# Memorandum

DATE:	November 11, 2019
TO:	City Council
FROM:	Debbie Tarry, City Manager Jim Hammond, Intergovernmental Relations Manager
CC:	John Norris, Assistant City Manager
RE:	Special Meeting with U.S. Representative Pramila Jayapal

At today's Special Council meeting, the Council will be joined by U.S. Representative Pramila Jayapal to check in with the Shoreline City Council and hear from you about key federal-level issues, concerns and interests held by the City of Shoreline. Representative Pramila Jayapal will be joined by Rachel Berkson, the Representative's District Director, and Marielle Trumbauer, the Representative's Outreach Coordinator.

This memorandum provides an overview of the currently adopted 2019 Shoreline Federal Legislative Priorities (Attachment A).

# **Priority:** Continue to seek funding and support for implementation of NE 145<sup>th</sup> Corridor transportation projects

The NE 145<sup>th</sup> Corridor is Shoreline's most significant transportation corridor with a nexus to the interstate highway system and the future Shoreline South/145<sup>th</sup> Street Light Rail Station, yet it lies wholly outside the boundaries of the City. Still, Shoreline has led a years-long effort to build regional support for investment in this key corridor. USDOT is expected to announce shortly its decisions on the latest round of BUILD grants (official announcement date is November 12<sup>th</sup>), for which Shoreline submitted a proposal for the rebuild of the I-5 Interchange at NE 145<sup>th</sup> Street. In additional to this key piece of infrastructure, investment is needed along the entire east/west length, from Bothell/Lake City Way to Aurora Avenue/SR 99.

# **Priority:** Advocate for changes to federal transportation funding programs to strengthen ability of the City to pursue its transportation and infrastructure goals

The City of Shoreline has a proven track record of authoring grant proposals of the highest quality. However, when competing for federal funding, the City operates at a structural disadvantage due to the fact that its transportation investments will serve far fewer people than those in large metropolitan areas across the country. As a result, Shoreline is seeking changes to

existing federal transportation policy, creating a set aside for medium-sized cities akin to the current rural set aside.

# **Priority: Protect federal funding for Lynnwood Link Light Rail and other regional transit projects**

The City of Shoreline is grateful for the success the Washington delegation has had protecting promised federal dollars for this key light rail project through our community.

## **Priority: Support funding for Community and Economic Development Programs**

The City continues to devote energy to community and economic development programs. Increasing federal funding and preserving existing municipal tax authority will be critical to helping Shoreline in this area.

### Priority: Strengthen federal tools for dealing with culvert and stormwater issues

In order to foster sustainability in our community, protect Puget Sound and preserve endangered species, effective management of storm water and culverts has become more important than ever. The magnitude of the challenge, both financial and technical, highlights the clear need for federal involvement in tackling this challenge.



# **2019 Shoreline Federal Legislative Priorities**

- Continue to seek funding and support for implementation of NE 145<sup>th</sup> Corridor transportation projects, including:
  - Continued pursuit of a BUILD Grant for the I-5/145<sup>th</sup> Interchange project
  - Elevating the need for 145<sup>th</sup> roadway improvements for transit and other traffic from I-5 to SR 99
  - Request funding for the NE 145<sup>th</sup> Corridor in any federal transportation bill, including preserving bicycle and pedestrian funding.
  - Prepare to submit potential funding requests, as appropriate, in support of NE 145<sup>th</sup> Corridor projects
- Advocate for changes to federal transportation funding programs to strengthen ability of the City to pursue its transportation and infrastructure goals, including:
  - Allocation of federal infrastructure dollars to transit and non-motorized projects
  - Addition of a medium-sized city set aside, similar to the current rural set aside, to better enable smaller communities to compete for federal dollars, both in a new Transportation bill and in the next round of BUILD grants
  - Increase in share of federal transportation funding directed to Metropolitan Planning Organizations (such as the Puget Sound Regional Council) for local distribution
- Protect federal funding for Lynnwood Link Light Rail and other regional transit projects.
- Support funding for Community and Economic Development Programs, including:
  - Increased funding for Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) and the Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME)
  - Preserving access to internet-based sales taxes and supporting other municipal tax authority
- Strengthen federal tools for dealing with culvert and stormwater issues, including:
  - Support the creation of a new federal program to provide federal grant funding for culvert replacement
  - Add green stormwater treatment as a scoring criterion for federal transportation awards.
  - Support a refundable tax credit for stormwater management by private property owners
  - Collaborate with federal partners, such as the Corps of Engineers, to develop partnerships to address projects in the Boeing Creek/Hidden Lake area