



City of Bothell™

2019-2021 State Legislative Agenda

Fund Improvements on I-405

The City requests that the State fund **\$20 million for right of way acquisition and \$450 million for construction of north end improvements on I-405**, either through direct state funding or bonding against toll revenue. This investment will rebuild the SR 522 interchange and extend southbound dual express toll lanes to SR 527. Additionally, it will build direct access ramps for SR 522 and SR 527 and extend northbound dual express toll lanes to SR 527. It is critical this investment is made this biennium to allow construction to begin in 2021 and be completed in time to support the effectiveness of Bus Rapid Transit when it begins in 2024. These improvements are a priority for Bothell's business community.

Canyon Park Subarea Plan

The City requests **\$400,000 from the state operating budget to complete the Canyon Park Subarea Plan**. Canyon Park is the city's regional growth center that must accommodate minimum population and employment levels. Proper planning is critical to support and spur growth. To that end, the City has completed the visioning and land use plan. The final components to the Subarea Plan are transportation analysis and environmental review. The state's partnership will allow the City to move forward with implementation of the Subarea Plan and increase the developable capacity of Canyon Park.

Downtown Revitalization

The City requests **\$1.5 million from the state's capital budget for downtown revitalization efforts**. The City owns a highly developable property at the corner of SR 522 and Bothell Way (formerly SR 527) in Bothell's downtown core. Development of this property would increase property tax and sales tax revenue for the city and state. However, the property cannot be sold to a developer until the contaminants in the soil and groundwater are removed. The City has received some grant funding to assist with the cleanup but Remedial Action Grants from DOE require a 50% city match. To date, the City has spent over \$12.5 million toward environmental cleanup of nine sites in downtown Bothell. Of this figure, approximately \$6.7 M is anticipated to be paid by the City with the balance being funded by grants, reimbursements, and settlements. \$1.5 million from the state will allow the city to complete cleanups on this property, which will create a healthier environment and economy and provide additional revenue to support the City's downtown revitalization and economic development efforts with the state

Bridge at Bothell Landing - WWRP Trails Projects

The City of Bothell supports funding for the Washington Wildlife & Recreation Program (WWRP). If WWRP is funded at the recommended level, the City stands to receive \$1.08 million for the Bridge at Bothell Landing. This project has already received federal grant money that will be forfeited if the state funding falls through.

Criminal Justice Training Center Funding (CJTC)

CJTC runs the State's Basic Law Enforcement Academy (BLEA) which is required training for all newly hired law enforcement officers in WA State. The current backlog in available training slots is becoming a significant safety concern for the Bothell Police Department as patrol operations are regularly working at or below minimum staffing. With the passage of Bothell's Prop 1, the City will need to hire 13 new officers and fill current vacancies, making this item even more pressing. Additionally, in the next 3 years, 43% of the Bothell commissioned staff will be eligible for retirement. The City requests that the Legislature fund at least 19 BLEA classes per calendar year so we can eliminate the delay new hire training.

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