



## CITY OF SEATAC 2023 LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

### **Increase Workforce Development Opportunities**

The City of SeaTac is strongly invested in expanding workforce opportunities for residents and ensuring youth and young adults may access local, family-wage jobs, including careers within the technical and trades industry. Other communities have experienced immense success with pre-apprenticeship programs operated in conjunction with local labor partners and education institutions. The City will seek state resources to expand opportunities for our residents to participate in these types of programs.

### **Centralized SeaTac Community Park & Protecting Parkland from Development**

The City of SeaTac provides a variety of amenities to support the health and well-being of residents, including outdoor recreation facilities and greenspace. The City supports protecting all existing parks from any future non-recreation related development. Though the City boasts an impressive 10 diverse public parks for residents and visitors to enjoy, the City lacks a centralized park that is easily accessible from the SeaTac Airport. Recognizing the unique challenges of situating a park in proximity to the airport, the City respectfully requests \$300,000 for a feasibility study to determine where a central park could be located.

### **Behavioral Health**

The behavioral health system in south King County, like much of Washington State, is under considerable strain. The City of SeaTac supports enhancements to the behavioral health system for the benefit of our residents, including support for additional 9-8-8 crisis response teams and crisis triage and detox facilities. The City supports funding additional school counselors to meet the behavioral health needs to students of all ages.

### **Defend Local Control**

The best governmental decisions are those that are made closest to the people represented. Cities possess strong local authority to provide for the safety and welfare of their residents, and the Legislature must abstain from restricting, mandating, or otherwise interfering with local decisions.