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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **CITY OF EVERETT RECEIVES FUNDING FOR COMPLETE STREETS PROGRAM** *Funding for three projects will ensure long-term safety and accessibility*

Mayor Carlo DeMaria, Senator Sal DiDomenico, and Representative Joseph McGonagle are pleased to announce that the City of Everett recently received \$400,000 in state funding for Everett's Complete Street Program. In 2014, the City Council adopted the Mayor's Complete Streets Resolution and Policy Guide. A growing national movement, Complete Streets creates a framework for roadway networks to be safer, more livable, and more welcoming to all users.

Each Complete Street has its own unique characteristics. Examples of components include sidewalks, bike lanes, special bus lanes, comfortable and accessible transit stops, intersection and crosswalk improvements for non-motorized users, median islands, accessible pedestrian signals, and curb extensions. With the help of urban planning and engineering firm Howard Stein Hudson, the City completed a prioritization plan in 2016 that identified 24 priority projects across the City eligible for funding through MassDOT's complete streets program in the coming years.

The funding received for 2017 will provide support for pedestrian safety improvements at traffic light along Broadway, consolidating and updating bus stop shelters to further enhance the Broadway Bus Lane, and adding flashing beacons at several crosswalks at busy intersections. By instituting these projects, the City of Everett is ensuring that an entire roadway is consistently designed and operated to balance safety and convenience with all users in mind including bicyclists, public transportation vehicles and riders, and pedestrians of all ages and abilities.

"The Complete Streets Program assists and addresses needs that our roadway system has encountered with a healthy approach," states Mayor DeMaria, "We are thankful to the Baker-Polito administration and our delegation for this great opportunity and will take full advantage of these projects to provide quality work to the residents of the City."

"The City of Everett has been doing exceptional work to create safe and accessible roadways for our residents, and this funding will undoubtedly help us to continue building upon the great progress that is already underway," said Senator DiDomenico. "This grant award is a testament to the vision and dedication that our City officials have for Everett's future, and I would like to congratulate the DeMaria Administration on this

well-deserved award.”

“The Complete Streets Program has taken off all across the Commonwealth providing necessary maintenance on our streets and sidewalks. Thanks to Mayor DeMaria and Community Development for making our streets and sidewalks safer for all to use by obtaining such a substantial grant,” said Representative Joe McGonagle.

Mayor DeMaria, Senator DiDomenico, and Representative McGonagle are committed to providing funding to ensure the long-term safety and accessibility of City streets and sidewalks in order to accommodate all Everett residents and vehicles.

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