The E. Sprague business community and the City are partnering to reinvigorate this underutilized business district and surrounding neighborhood.

- The City’s initial improvements have focused on harnessing traffic that already moves through the neighborhood:
  - Work this summer improved parking, made the street more pedestrian friendly and slowed vehicles moving through the area
  - $760,000 has been set aside for repaving First Avenue and streetscape enhancements
  - Street levy includes funds to rebuild Sprague Avenue in the coming years
  - $6 million in grant applications have been submitted for Sprague improvements, including a $1.5 million WSDOT grant to fund pedestrian refuge islands and street light for pedestrian safety along Sprague Avenue (City has made grant shortlisted and is subject to legislative approval)
- City Council has designated it a Target Improvement Area to stimulate new investment

Recent improvements to E. Sprague are the beginning of a larger vision.

- The City has secured a technical assistance grant from Smart Growth America for a workshop that will focus on:
  - Transit-oriented development
  - Integrate street projects
  - Smart growth policies
  - Economic development and fiscal health
  - Parking management
  - Regional planning
- $32 million in projects are planned over the next few years