

Downtown Seattle Association

Metropolitan Improvement District

MID Renewal Public Meeting









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Agenda

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• Welcome & MID Overview

Lisa Nitze, MID Ratepayer Advisory Board Chair & Vice President, Marketing, Investments, Community Partnerships, Nitze-Stagen

• A Look at Current Services

Jennifer Casillas, Vice President, Public Realm & Ambassador Operations, DSA/MID

• MID's Impact on Downtown Seattle Jon Scholes, DSA President & CEO

• MID Renewal Timeline & Process Kate Joncas, Director of Urban Strategy and Development, MIG

• Q & A

Metropolitan Improvement District At a Glance

Founded in 1999 by DSA to ensure a welcoming and vibrant downtown:

- Cleaning
- Community Safety & Hospitality
- Parks and public realm management and activation
- Outdoor events
- Marketing of downtown
- Research and more



Metropolitan Improvement District At a Glance

- Property owners within MID boundaries pay for supplemental services based on property value.
- MID established through city ordinance, renewed in 2013 and must be renewed in 2023.
- More than 1,700 BIAs across the country.
- Public-private partnership more important than ever.



Current MID Services

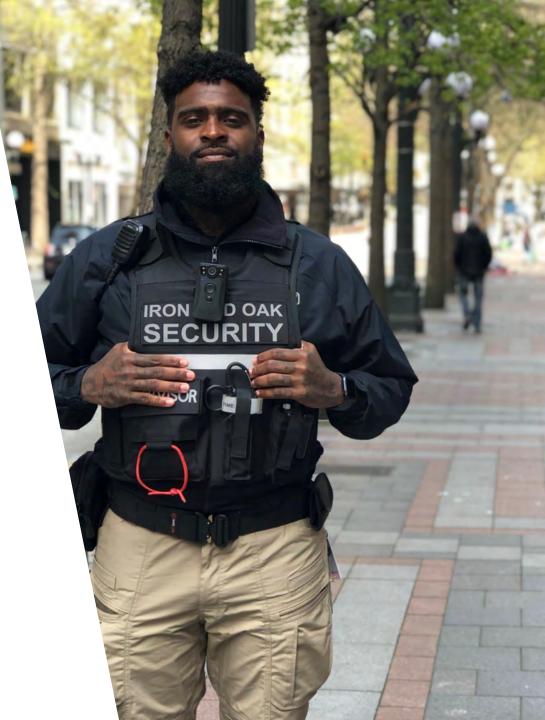
- In early 2022, MID services were reevaluated to respond to the evolving post-pandemic needs of downtown. Core teams currently serving the MID include:
 - Cleaning
 - Community Safety & Hospitality
 - Parks & Public Space Management



Investments Hard at Work

During the pandemic, the MID:

- Collected 98% of total assessments/took on no debt.
- Ratepayers invested \$3 million in a multifaceted recovery strategy:
 - More cleaning and equipment
 - Added security
 - Big events to draw people back
 - Art installations and murals in empty storefronts
 - Regional marketing campaign



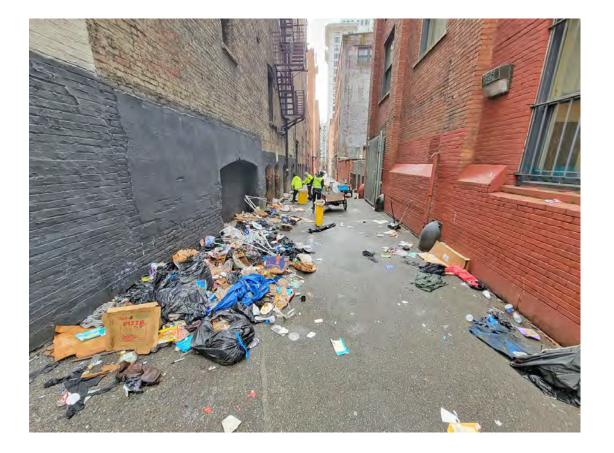
MID Service Area

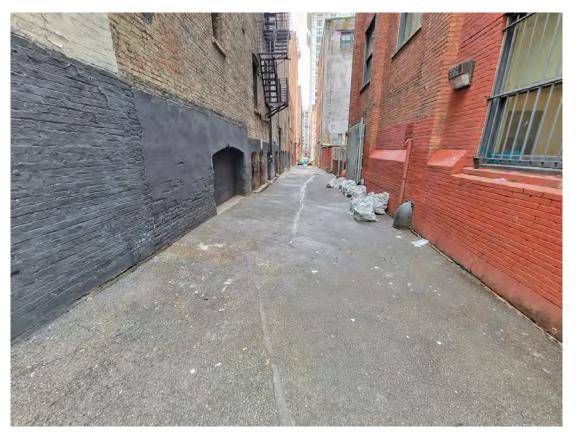
- Six downtown neighborhoods
- 285 square blocks
- Ambassador Teams:
 - Clean
 - Community Safety & Hospitality
 - Public Realm Operations



MID Clean Team at Work

Third Ave. between Cherry and James St. - Before and After





Clean Team Services - June 2022 Counts

Trash & Graffiti Removal

- Trash Bags 1,090
- Graffiti Removed 1,767
- Syringes Recovered 125



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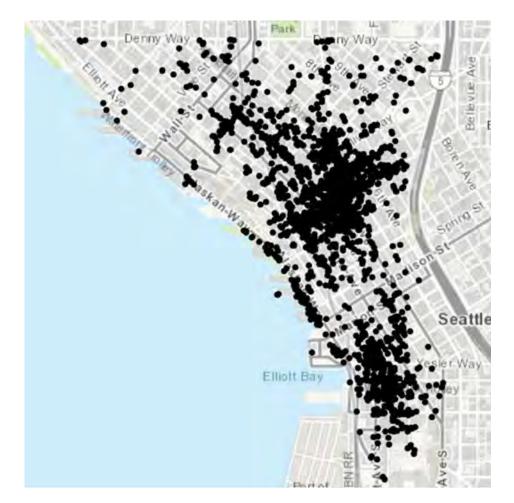
Bio-waste Clean-up

- On-call Waste Removal 1,218
- Human Waste Removal 573
- Animal Waste Removal 645
- Alley Cleanings 369
- Pressure Washing 10



Community Safety & Hospitality Services June 2022 Counts

- Concierge Service 3,949
- Welfare Checks 768
- Alley Checks 603
- Trespass / Sit-lie Approaches 401
- SafeWalk Service Provided 24
- Business Visits 742
- Medic Calls 10
- SPD Calls 7





Parks & Public Spaces

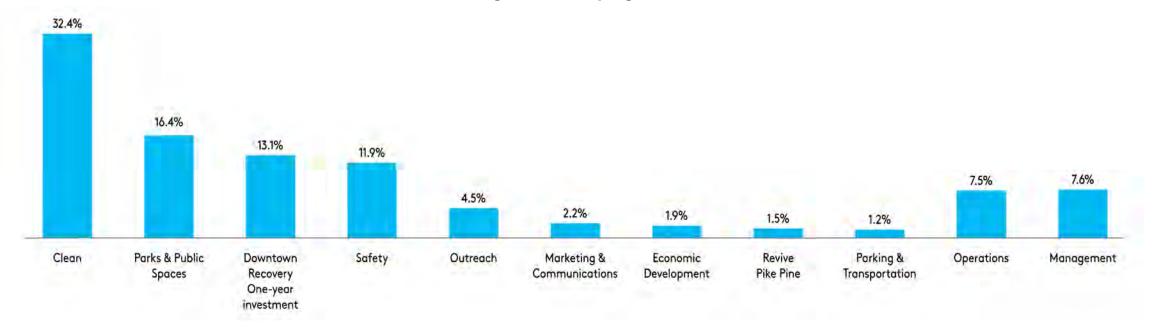
- Total programming/activations July 2021-June 2022 = 1,553
- Daily activation and amenities in managed parks/public spaces include music, furniture, food trucks and games.

Budget Overview

TOTAL EXPENSES BY PROGRAM, JULY 2021-JUNE 2022



The MID currently collects approximately \$15.5M annually in ratepayer assessments.



A 20-year impact NUMBERS REPRESENT JANUARY 2013 TO MAY 2022



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* Figures are from 2018 to present. Prior to 2018, these were combined with other waste types.

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Downtown Recovery

- Weekly total foot traffic is 86% of 2019.
- Weekly hotel demand was 101% compared to 2019.
- Weekly worker visits are nearly 40% of 2019 levels.



MID Renewal Process and Timeline



Now-SeptemberOutreachDevelopment of a business plan	September - November • Petitions circulated	Early 2023 • SUBMIT TO CITY COUNCIL
May 2023 • City council review	June 2023 • Signed by Mayor Harrell	July 2023 • New MID starts

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Information, Outreach and Engagement

- Visit website for information on MID services and renewal
 - Downtownseattle.org/programs-services
 - KnowYourBIA.com
 - Sign up for MID newsletter and more
- Take MID services survey at: https://downtownseattle.org/programsservices/mid-renewal/
- Email us at: MIDRenewal@downtownseattle.org
- Mark your calendar for next public meeting in early October



