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The League of Women Voters of Greater Seattle invites the public to examine our current local transportation choices and how best to fund them, Thursday, May 5 at Seattle First Baptist Church (Harvard and Seneca) 7:30 - 9:00 PM. The Forum is free; audience questions are welcome.

Speakers from three local government agencies, Deputy King County Executive Fred Jarrett, Director of the Seattle Department of Transportation Peter Hahn, and Deputy CEO of Sound Transit Celia Kupersmith will address the "perfect storm" of shrinking revenues, increasing congestion and pollution affecting how we will plan for moving people, goods and services. Journalist Erica Barnett will offer a perspective from covering local transportation processes.

150 years have passed since Northwest settlers arrived using waterways as our first highways. Then the popularization of the automobile held sway for the next hundred years culminating with the interstate highway system and the gradual diminishing of public transportation services. Only recently have voters begun to question the demands for more roads and their related impact on the environment and the community.

For more information please contact the League office www.seattlelww.org or call 206-329-4848.

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