

North Delridge Action Plan Priority Actions

The North Delridge Action Plan calls for the following strategies to be implemented in the next 1-3 years.

A. Supporting Diverse and Engaged Communities

Support a diverse and vibrant neighborhood where people of all ages, backgrounds and cultures can find meaningful support, opportunities to give back to their community, and safe gathering spaces to build community.

- Form a community organizational structure to steward the overall vision for Delridge in a manner that recognizes the existing organizational infrastructure and enfranchises historically underrepresented communities in Delridge.
- Broaden participation and sustain existing neighborhood events to create long-term identity of the neighborhood as “Delridge: where nature art and culture collide.”
- Raise awareness of local workforce training programs and employment opportunities.
- Support members of the ACT and DNDA with establishing an economic development strategy for Delridge that includes an element of local job creation.

B. Dynamic Neighborhood Destinations

- Create a partnership between community, businesses and agencies to support existing businesses and stimulate small businesses in North Delridge.
- Support development of a grocery store that provides affordable, healthy food serving North Delridge. This priority is shared with the actions identified under “Accessing Affordable Healthy Food.” It is important to locate a grocery store at either Brandon or Sylvan Junction in order to be convenient and to strengthen these areas as shopping destinations.
- Improve Delridge Way SW with safe pedestrian crossings, art, and fixtures that establish a strong identity.

C. Access to Affordable, Healthy Food

Promote a healthy Delridge by increasing access to affordable healthy food for families of all incomes.

- Support the development of a grocery store serving north Delridge.
- Work with Seattle’s Human Services Division, West Seattle Food Bank, retailers and others to coordinate access to affordable healthy food.
- Support opportunities to learn about farming and cooking including the Little Red Hen project and the Delridge Wetlands and Stewardship project.

D. Active Transportation Choices

Ensuring Delridge Way SW & adjacent streets support safe & predictable movement of people & goods.

- Work with SDOT to complete the RapidRide H Line Project.
- Complete and connect neighborhood greenways as shown in the Bicycle Master Plan.
- Pursue Neighborhood Street Fund Program grant to improve SW Brandon Street between 23rd Avenue SW and Camp Long.
- Work with the City and Sound Transit on light rail station siting and station area planning.

E. A Healthy Longfellow Creek Watershed

Create green elements that welcome the rain: storing, draining, & cleaning it, sustaining the natural & built environments.

- Apply City regulations and coordinate infrastructure improvements to ensure that rainwater and surface water along hillsides and adjacent to Longfellow Creek are handled and conveyed to reduce impacts and protect the environment.
- Prioritize Natural Drainage System improvements to improve drainage and pedestrian connections to neighborhood destinations like schools, parks and transit.
- Celebrate its 25th Anniversary by renewing the Longfellow Creek Watershed Action Plan as a community and City partnership for improving the health of the watershed.

F. Supportive Parks & Cultural Facilities

Preserve, create & activate parks and cultural facilities for the health of Delridge's community and environment.

- Establish Delridge as the place in Seattle where art, nature and culture collide, by coordinating and promoting Delridge Day, Arts in Nature and the Delridge Cultural Community Series.
- Foster partnerships between Seattle Parks and Recreation, and community organizations to expand awareness, and participation in parks and cultural facilities.
- Create a continuum of recreation and cultural opportunities for youth of all ages.
- Increase Delridge Community Center fundraising to broaden access to scholarships that help families access preschool and recreational programs.
- Improve walking access to Camp Long from SW Brandon Street, improve visual access to the West Seattle Golf Course, and construct the perimeter trail recommended in the Golf Course Master Plan.
- Support DNDA's work to build the wetland and agriculture education park on the Delridge substation site. Partner with Boren K-8 STEM to program the education components.
- Assist Delridge's diverse communities with sustaining their organizations and developing cultural programs at the Community Center and Youngstown Cultural Arts Center.
- Improve trails and stairways to provide opportunities for physical activity, improve mobility, and enhance access throughout Delridge and to the West Duwamish natural areas.
- Work through capital projects and grants to increase safe routes to parks.
- Increase the diversity of play equipment and activities at Greg Davis and Cottage Grove Parks.