



WATERFRONT SEATTLE: Park Boulevard Designation Ordinance

Legislative History

Ordinance/Resolution	Date	Description
Resolution 31264	January 2011	Created the Central Waterfront Committee (CWC) to oversee development of the Waterfront Framework Plan and Concept Design, ensuring robust and innovative public engagement, identifying public and private funding sources, and establishing the foundation for a lasting civic partnership
Resolution 31399	August 2012	Supported the creation of the non-profit Friends of Waterfront Seattle (Friends) to advocate for implementing the Central Waterfront Framework Plan and Concept Design, and to be the City’s non-profit partner in helping to operate the new parks and public spaces
Resolution 31768	September 2017	Stated intent to enter into an agreement with Friends for the long-term provision of high-quality operations and management services commensurate with Central Waterfront Improvement Program
Ordinance 125761	January 2019	Authorizing a two-year pilot with the Friends of the Waterfront, anticipating that a long-term management agreement would follow for the entire completed Central Waterfront with the goal of creating a “waterfront for all”
Ordinance 125762		Approving agreements related to the Waterfront LID, including agreement to designate right-of-way as park boulevards.

What is being proposed?

Legislation to facilitate high-quality consistent operation and management of new and existing public spaces on the Central Waterfront by:

- Designating portions of right-of-way along the Central Waterfront as **park boulevards**
- Authorizing SDOT to **transfer jurisdiction** of portions of the park boulevards to SPR
- Authorizing the management of public spaces and establishing park hours

Right-of-Way to be Designated



— PARKS BOULEVARD LIMITS

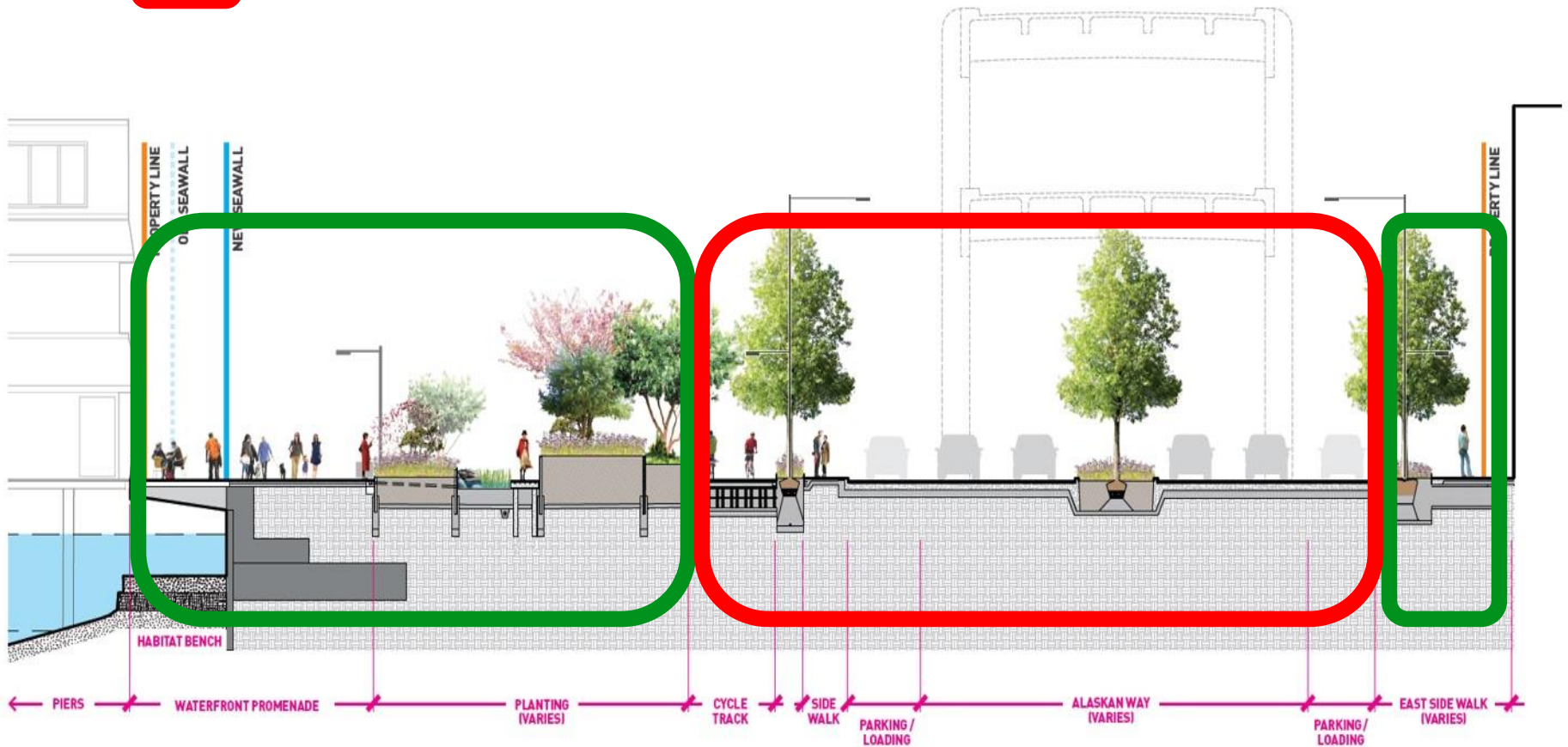
Waterfront Jurisdiction – With Park Boulevard



Seattle Parks and Recreation Jurisdiction



Seattle Department of Transportation Jurisdiction



* Typical cross-section

Why?



- Establish clear roles and responsibilities for the **successful operation and maintenance** of existing and new public spaces along Seattle's Central Waterfront between SDOT and Parks
- Enable the City to use Metropolitan Park District (MPD) resources to support park maintenance
- Fulfill commitments in established City legislation (2017 O&M Resolution, 2019 O&M Ordinance, and Waterfront LID Agreement)

Why *now*?



- Portions of the reconfigured waterfront are ready to “open” now
- Authorizes phased transfer of jurisdiction as more portions of the waterfront are completed over the next 2 years
- Park Boulevard is essential to complete a long-term operations agreement with Friends, by Fall of 2022
- Build on the partnership between Parks and Friends at Pier 62

Next Steps Following Legislation



- Parks/Friends model expands to portions of the ROW (early 2022)
- Development of long-term operations agreement with Friends (2022)



PHASE 1 - END OF 2020

- PIER 62
- ALASKAN WAY SOUTH - KING TO COLUMBIA ON THE EAST SIDE

PHASE 2 - JANUARY 2022

- WASHINGTON STREET BOAT LANDING
- HABITAT BEACH
- ALASKAN WAY, KING TO COLUMBIA, WEST SIDE
- ALASKAN WAY, COLUMBIA TO UNION - EAST SIDE

PHASE 3 - OCTOBER 2022 (OPENING IN TWO BLOCK SEGMENTS)

- MAIN CORRIDOR AND PROMENADE, WEST SIDE COLUMBIA TO PIKE
- EAST SIDE, UNION TO PIKE

PHASE 4 - OCTOBER 2022

- UNION STREET PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE

PHASE 5 - JUNE 2023

- RESTROOM
- RAILROAD WAY
- PIKE TO THE NORTH ON THE WEST SIDE

PHASE 6 - END OF 2024

- OVERLOOK WALK
- PIER 58