Horizon Coach Line Site Property Acquisition

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Drainage & Wastewater Field Operations

- Drainage & Wastewater Systems Maintenance is a 24/7
 X365 days-a-year operation
- Provides emergency response during storm events and routine operations and maintenance
- □ 100 field employees
- Must increase sewer cleaning, inspection and sewer repair to reduce sewer overflows
- Horizon Site has adequate building and parking space to best meet DWW Operations needs



Current Operations Complex Charles Street Yard





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Compact parking restricts vehicle mobility



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Streetcar maintenance building interrupts crew operations

Relocated material storage increases truck loading times



Current Operations Complex

- Shared with SPU, FAS, SDOT & DEA Consumer Affairs Unit
- Inadequate and below standard crew quarters and building space. No room for expansion
- Inadequate exterior space for large equipment parking and materials storage
- Possible SDOT streetcar expansion would further reduce space at Charles Street
- Negative impacts of streetcar maintenance facility on crew operations & vehicle parking



Space Needs

- □ Yard Space: 231,500 SF
 - Space for 105 vehicles and 40-foot boat and trailer space
- Employee Support: 33,050 SF
 - Office, dispatch, crew locker and restrooms, drying room, closed-circuit TV lab, tool repair, truck garage and workshop areas
- Total Program Requirement: 5.9 acres



Why Relocate?

- Out of space for crews & trucks
- Existing facility does not meet standards for health, wellness and safety
- Improve crew efficiencies by providing space for tool repair & decontamination, inspector video operations, vactor truck garage and materials storage

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EXISTING SPU FACILITIES

SITES STUDIED FOR DWW SOUTH OP CENTER

TEST-TO-FIT STUDIES FOR DWW SOUTH OP CENTER



Investigation and Analysis

 <u>Initial:</u> Investigation of leased and property for purchase: Husky Truck and Myers Way South sites

Expanded Search:

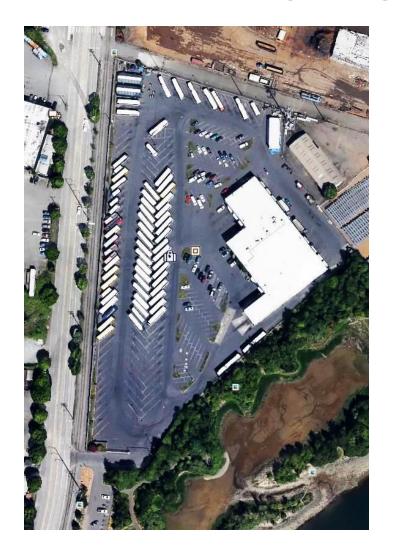
- Six acre plus properties near arterials
- Industrial Zoning: small building & large area for vehicle parking
- South of the downtown area

Final Analysis:

- Site size and arterial access
- Program space needs and operational requirements
- Feasibility for intended use
- Site environmental conditions
- Timeline to occupy and total project costs



Horizon Coach Site



- Meets SPU operational space program requirements
- Lead and petroleum products identified. Standard methods for clean up
- Tenant Improvements to meet employee housing standards and operational requirements
- 6.0 acres zoned for Industrial
 Use
- □ Timeline to occupy: 25 months



Benefits of Horizon Coach Site

- Proximity to West Seattle Bridge and North/South transportation corridors
- Proximity to West Seattle Vactor Decant Yard
- Interior parking for vactor decant trucks during the winter months to eliminate water freezing in tanks
- Existing building meets office & crew space needs
- Room for expansion
- Industrial zoning with industrial neighbors
- □ Fenced and secured area: 232,000 SF



Property Acquisition

- Letter of Intent to purchase: April 2015
- □ July 2015 appraisal: \$10.1M
- Owner's verbal asking price: \$16M
- Effort to acquire through negotiation
- □ Notice of Intent to Lease: August 2015
- Offer Letter: October 2015
- Informed Owner of Council Bill October 2015

Steps Remaining:

- Negotiate or condemn to acquire in 2016
- Implement design & permitting by early 2017
- Construct tenant improvements by mid 2017
- □ Move in and operational by late 2017



Legislation

Authorizing Seattle Public Utilities to lease or acquire by negotiation or condemnation land and all other necessary property rights located at 4500 West Marginal Way Southwest.

