

# Director's Report for Transportation Committee June 23, 2015

# **CURRENT ISSUES**

#### **Transportation Levy**

#### Outreach

- o Online survey: 5,100 completed
- Community briefings: 32 presentations, 500 + attendees
- Social media: 18 Facebook and Twitter posts; 90,000 reached
- o Community conversations: Three meetings (SE, SW, and N); 175 people in attendance
- Online meeting: 30 participants
- Coffees with Scott Kubly: Central Area, C/ID, Lake City, South Park, Fremont; 60 attendees
- o Mayoral stakeholder roundtables: three meetings; 40 organizations represented
- Farmers Markets: 500 people
- o Pop-up tables: six to eight
- o Emails/Listservs: 400 organizations, thousands of individuals
- o Video: 700 views
- Paid online and prints ads: seven neighborhood blogs; four citywide, nine ethnic media
- o Paid radio: KUOW, Busto Spanish radio
- Translation: materials provided in seven languages
- Website: over 10,000 page views
- Legislation to place the levy proposal on the ballot is now with the City Council.

# Alaskan Way Viaduct Replacement and Seawall Project:

#### Seawall

- July 1 businesses re-opening
  - A second Pier Owner and tenant large group meeting was held last week to update the group on the status
    of activities for the July 1<sup>st</sup> opening
  - Seawall team members are working directly with individual pier and business owners to coordinate any activities or deliveries prior to July 1<sup>st</sup>
- Seawall construction site textured face panels, zee panels and light penetrating surface panels



# AWV

o WSDOT is not attending the Council briefing on Monday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>. They are working on a new schedule for the tunnel boring machine. We will report to council when we have that information.

# First Hill Streetcar

- The manufacturer has made significant progress in final assembly and testing, but they are about 30 days behind their original commitment to have all the cars ready by the end of June.
- Six cars have been delivered to Seattle, and a seventh is en route via ship.
- Of the three cars assembled in Seattle, two have reached the critical milestone of testing all of the wiring connections, and the third is expected to reach that milestone the week of June 29th. After the wiring continuity test, the remaining fit-out of interior finishes moves quickly and static functional testing can begin.
- This week, qualification testing is underway. This is a verification, using testing and measuring equipment that the car performance meets all of the technical requirements, particularly for critical performance requirements such as acceleration and braking rates. If there are no significant issues encountered during qualification testing, these tests can be completed by the end of this week.
- Once the qualification testing has been completed, we will be in a better position to establish the opening date. We are making every effort to be ready to start service in August, but cannot fix the date with certainty until the testing and safety certification has progressed a bit further. Start of qualification testing is further delayed, as testing equipment has not been released from customs.

# **DIVISION UPDATES**

# **Capital Projects and Roadway Structures**

Completed two stairway rehabilitation projects at SW Edmunds St & 37th Ave SW and SW Edmunds & 38th Ave
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# **Maintenance Operations**

Paving – Overlay work at NE 105<sup>th</sup>

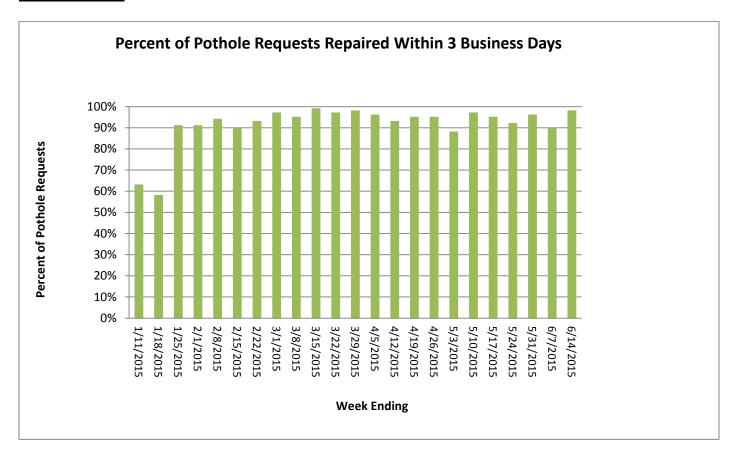


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# PERFORMANCE DATA

# **Pothole Repairs:**



# PROGRAM/PROJECT UPDATES

#### **Burke Gilman Trail**

- Fully develop the EIS schedule.
- Begin data collection for the various discipline reports for the DEIS.
- Public meeting (open house) to update stakeholders on progress so far June 18th

# 47th & Admiral Signal

- Complete by the end of June.
- Ribbon cutting event is being planned for July.

# **Westlake Cycle Track**

- 100% design is completed. CPCS review is underway and the construction advertisement is expected on June 17th. There is still no approval from FHWA. We are contacting them to determine what the delay is. If their approval is delayed beyond next Wednesday we will need to push the ad to June 24th.
- We did receive a legal challenge to the categorical exemption.

# 23rd Ave Corridor Project - Phase 1

• Construction started on June 8th with the northbound detour going into effect. The primary concerns that we have heard from the public have been around cut-through traffic and backups. Our signals operations group is looking at some additional improvements that could assist with traffic movement at Jackson. Local

access only signs are being added to continue to address cut-through traffic, as well as Vision Zero yard signs. We are also working with the East Precinct to increase patrols at key intersections.

- A construction community drop in session was held on Monday June 15th at the Garfield Community Center. Approximately 35 people were in attendance and the main themes heard during the meeting were:
  - o Safety concerns due to vehicles avoiding detour and using neighborhood streets
  - Frustration about Route 4 changes

# **Vision Zero**

- Vision Zero Education and Enforcement
  - SDOT-SPD Coordination
    - Next coordination session slated for 6/25 with the SDOT Director, Chief, Traffic Unit Captain and others
  - Patrols
    - Patrols continue on Lake City Way and 35th Avenue SW
    - SDOT and SPD have started to develop a MOA for extra enforcement patrols on SeaStat targeted corridors. Additional funds were obtained by SDOT via grants. Corridors include Rainier, MLK, Roxbury, 35th SW, Aurora, Lake City Way, and Fremont Avenue N
  - o Re-enforcement Patrols
    - Re-enforcement patrols took place on June 10 at K-5 STEM/Arbor Heights Elementary, June 11 at the 2nd Avenue PBL, and June 12 at the Fremont Bridge. See media section for coverage.
  - o Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Analysis
    - Vision Zero Team is undertaking a comprehensive study to analyze the safety of bicycle and pedestrian facilities throughout the city
- Safety Corridor Projects
  - o Rainier Avenue South Road Safety Corridor Project
    - Outreach and implementation timing
      - Project team will brief Mayor Murray once project is approved by the Director
      - Coordinating with Accessible Mt Baker, Rainier Valley Greenway project and Rainier Beach Improvement Projects
      - Tentative implementation schedule
        - July 9 Mayor's Announcement
        - July 15 Public meetings
        - o Mid- to late-July Implementation
  - o 35th Avenue SW Road Safety Corridor Project
    - Staff preparing to move forward with outreach during the first week of July
    - Implementation to be coordinated with SW Roxbury Street Road Safety Corridor Project (starts 8/17) with 35th Avenue SW work beginning in early September
    - SEPA approval pending
  - SW Roxbury Street Road Safety Corridor Project
    - Implementation scheduled to occur starting August 17
  - Lake City Way Traffic Safety Project
    - Engineering
      - Lake City Way and 24th Avenue NE
        - o Construction underway and expected to continue through July
      - Lake City Way and NE 110th Street
        - Grant funds awarded, construction fall 2015

- Lake City Way and NE 145th Street: contract awarded, new curb ramp construction late summer 2015
- All signal heads were retrofitted with reflective materials last week
- Signal lenses at six intersections were upgraded from 8" to 12" heads last week
- Signal phasing changes to enhance ped safety to go into effect by June 30
- Signal phasing changes to enhance safety for all users currently in design
- Extra enforcement patrols by the Washington State Patrol continue on the corridor

# **Bicycle Master Plan Implementation**

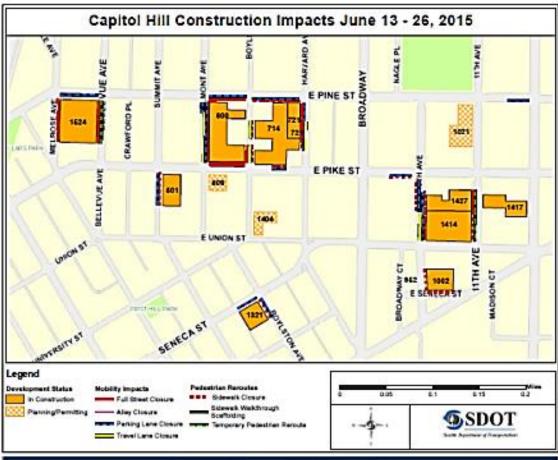
- N 34th St 2-way PBL
  - This project would convert vehicle traffic to one-way westbound on N 34th St from Evanston Ave N to Phinney Ave N; outreach is under way.
  - Dearborn Protected Bike Lane @ Freight Advisory Board
  - o Launched the outreach effort Tuesday 6/16 at the Freight Advisory Board meeting
  - Next steps will be to work with the Jackson Place Community, Goodwill, 12th Street Iron Works and Chinatown/ID stakeholders

# Burke Gilman Trail

- Next steps:
  - o Fully develop the EIS schedule.
  - Begin data collection for the various discipline reports for the DEIS. Traffic Operations will provide existing traffic counts, and will provide new counts where there are gaps or counts are too old.
  - Public meeting (open house) to update stakeholders on progress so far. Date is June 18th. Venue is Ballard High School Commons Room.

# **Access Seattle:**

- Capitol Hill Stakeholders Meeting June 12th
  - HUB coordinator Wayne Gallup rolled out a new neighborhood notification tool an impact map and description of permitted right of way closures for the next two weeks. It was well received.
     See screenshot example.



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# **SDOT Outreach and Important Dates**

# • Missing Link EIS Open House

 An Open House for the Environmental Impact Statement on the Burke-Gilman Trail's "Missing Link" was held at the Ballard High School Cafeteria from 6PM to 8PM on Thursday June, 18 with staff making a short presentation at 6:30PM.

# • Georgetown Festival Street Dedication Ceremony

 A dedication ceremony was held on June 13th for the just completed Georgetown Festival Street and the related sculpture at Airport Way South and South Vale Street, as part of the 2015 Georgetown Carnival. Director Kubly spoke, along with DON Director Kathy Nyland and Office of Arts & Culture's Vivian Phillips.

# • First Hill Streetcar Public Safety Training

 Staff, assisted by members of the Cascade Bicycle Club, attended the Juneteenth Celebration at the Yesler Community Center on Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup> from 5-8PM to promote safety awareness for younger school age children.

# Northgate Bridge Briefing

 On Wednesday June 17 at 6pm staff provided the Seattle Pedestrian Advisory Board an update on the Northgate Pedestrian and Bicycle Bridge Project, focusing on the alignment, possible stairway locations, bridge width and the intent to have a uniform, non-delineated surface for pedestrians and cyclists to share.

# Center City Connector

 On Tuesday, June 16, staff provided the Seattle Freight Advisory Board an update on the progress of the C3 design, including the station locations, urban design characteristics, associated utility work and intentions for adjusting loading zones.