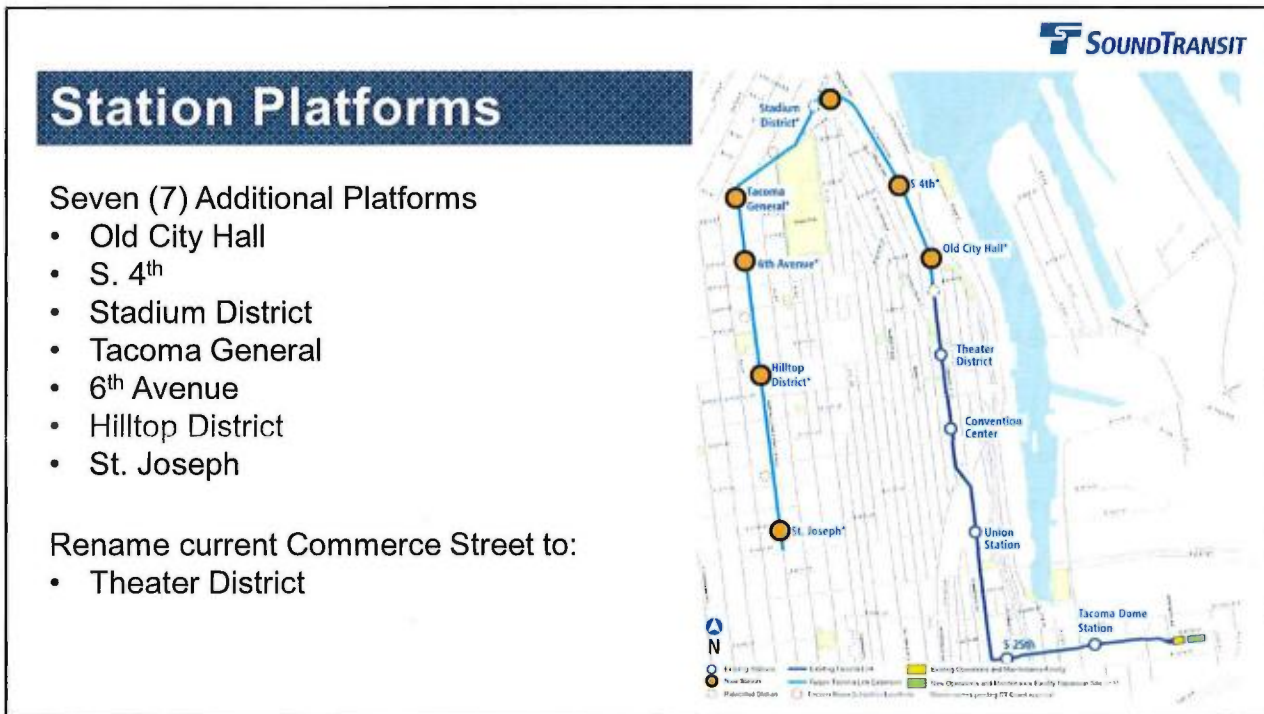
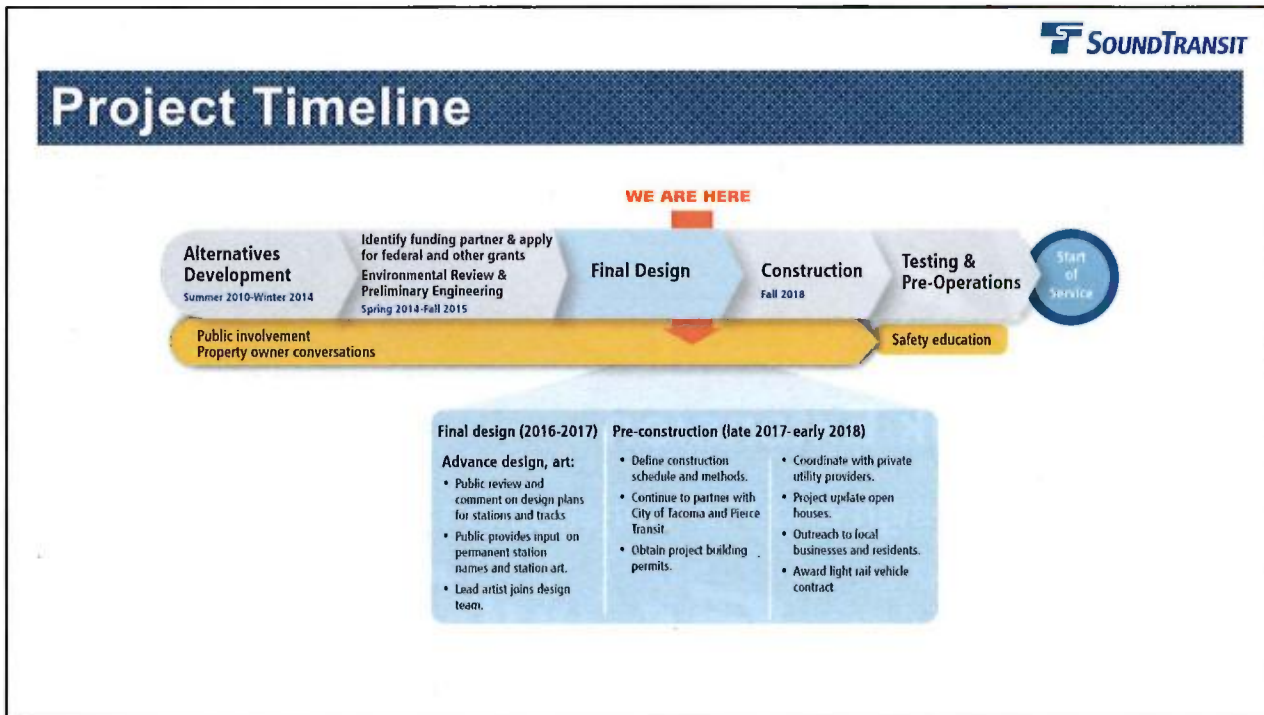




## Project Overview

- 2.4 miles
- 7 stations
- 4 traction power substations
- 5 train vehicles
- Expanded Operations and Maintenance Facility
- \*Station names pending ST Board approval





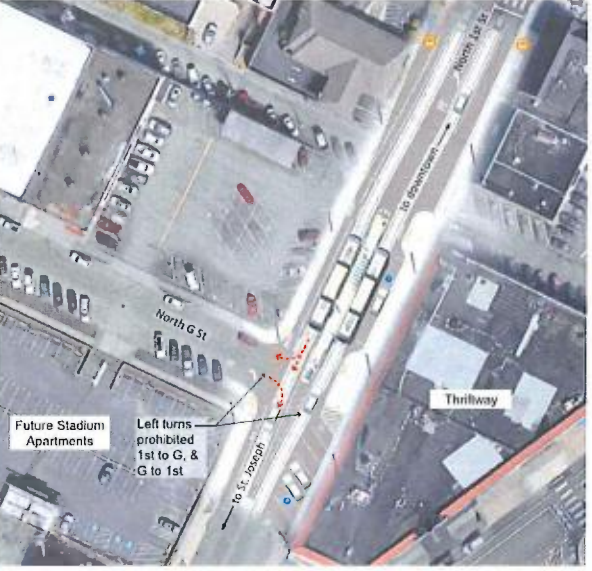




**SOUNDTRANSIT**

Old City Hall\*  
\* Station names pending ST Board approval

S. 4th\*

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HDR  
waterleaf

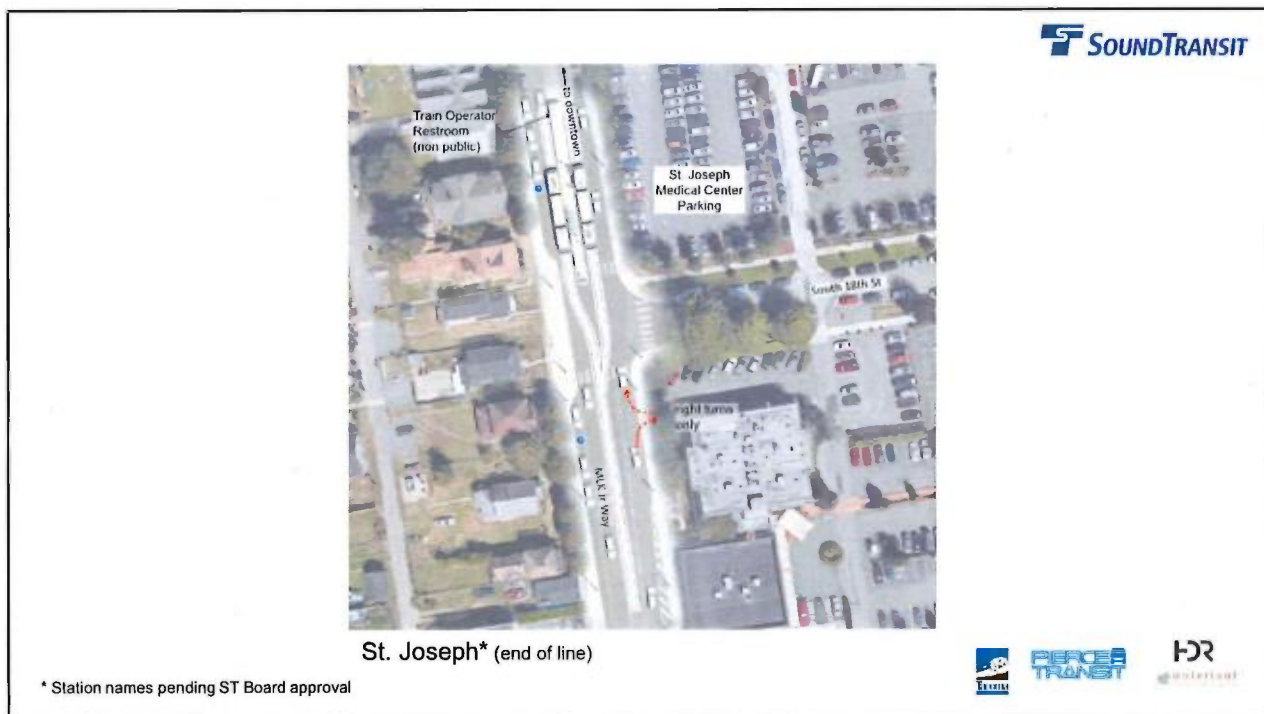



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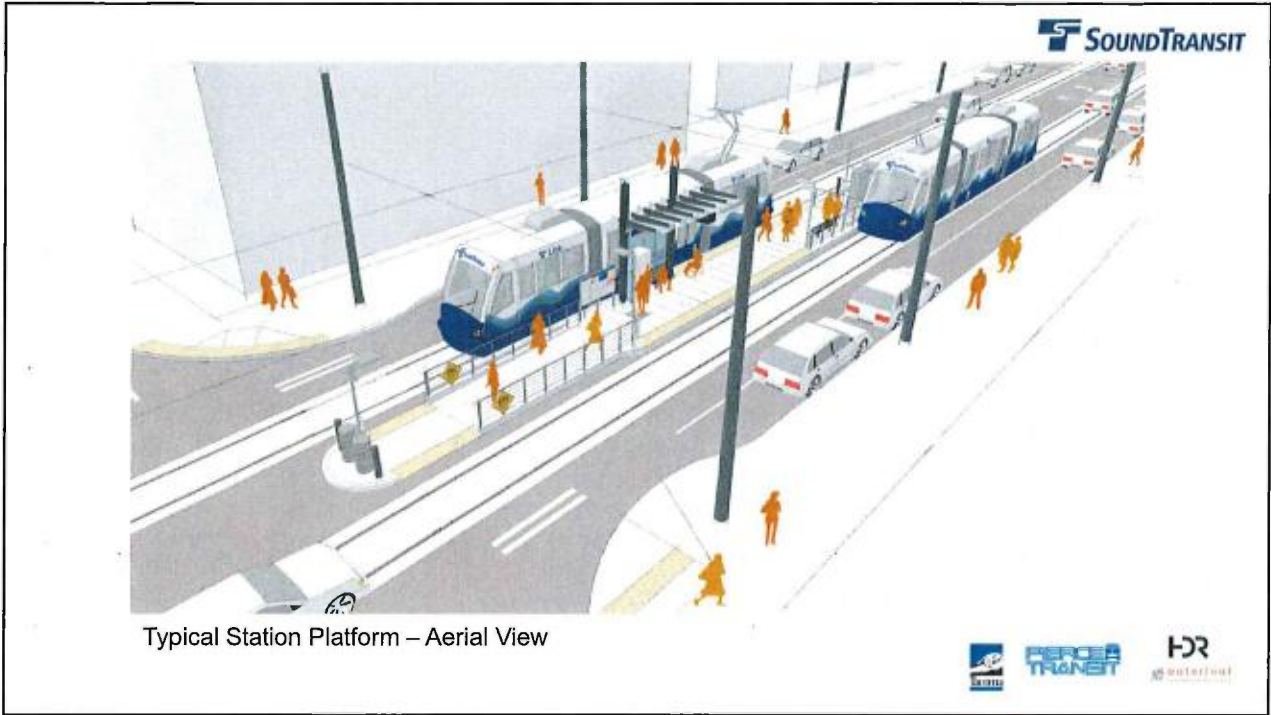
Stadium District\*  
\* Station names pending ST Board approval

Tacoma General\*

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PIERCE TRANSIT  
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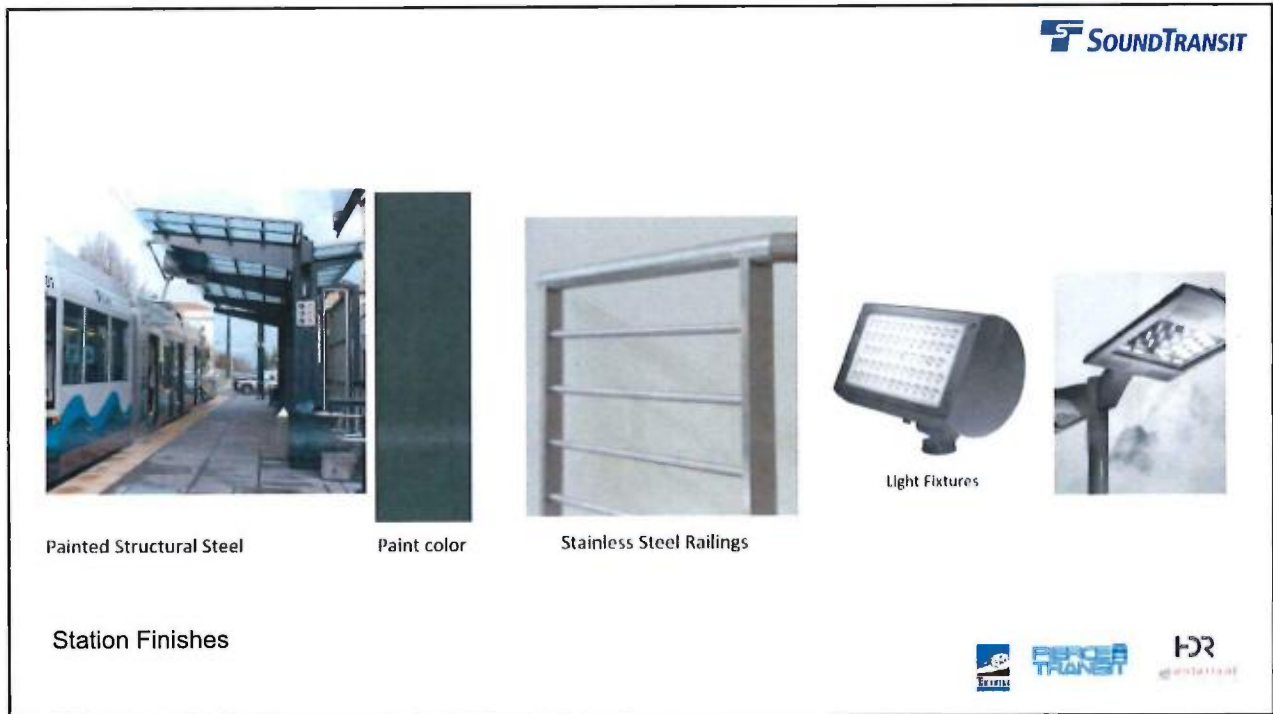




Typical Station Platform – Aerial View



Old City Hall







Benches



Ticketing




ORCA Reader



Station Signage  
Station Finishes




## Traction Power Substations (TPSS)



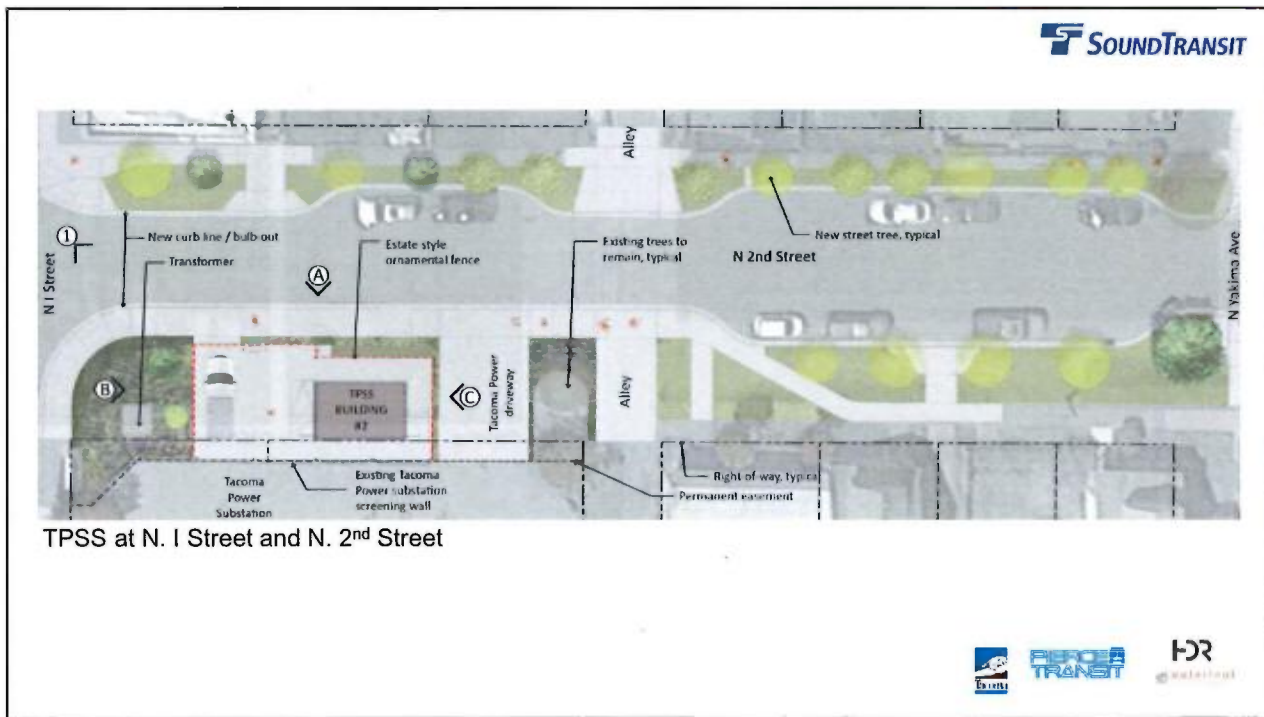
Provide power to the overhead wires

Four (4) TPSS

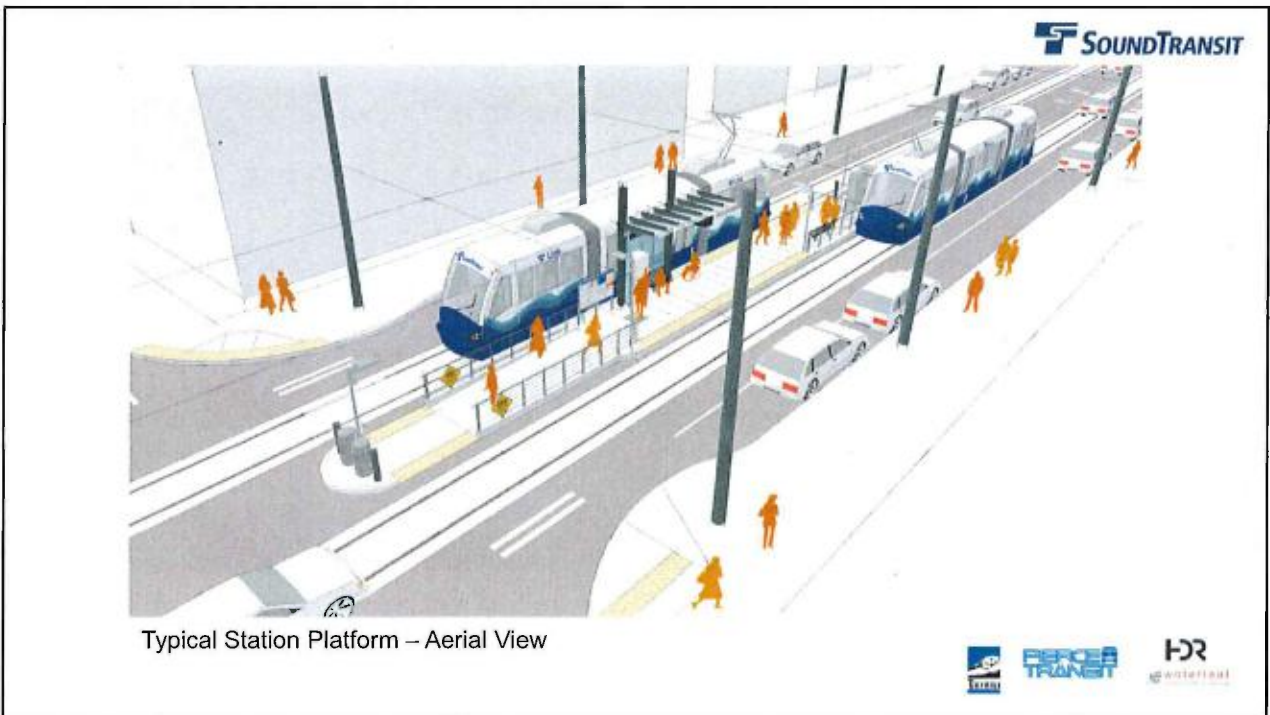
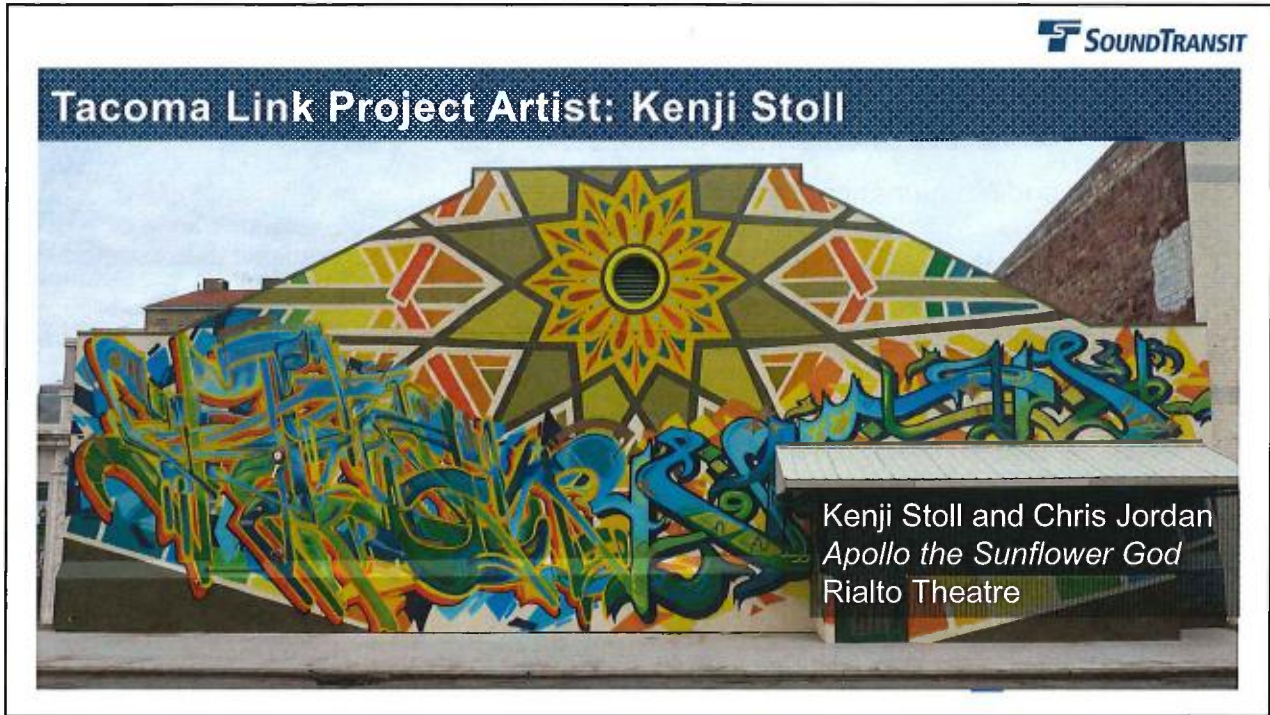
- Stadium Way at S. 2<sup>nd</sup> St.
- N. I St. and N. 2<sup>nd</sup> St.
- MLK, Jr. Way and S. 8<sup>th</sup> St.
- Alley at S. 15<sup>th</sup> St.







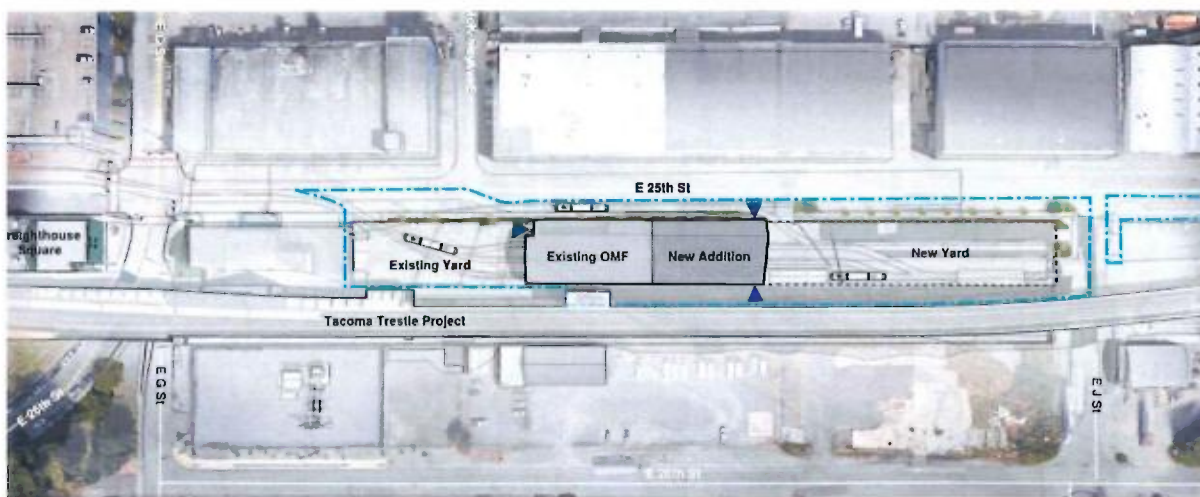




## Operations and Maintenance

Operations and Maintenance Facility (OMF):

- Expansion of the existing building and rail yard to make room for a total of eight (8) Light Rail Vehicles



OMF Expansion - Site Plan





**SOUND TRANSIT**  
**Typical light rail construction sequence**  
 Tacoma Link construction includes building at-grade track and light rail infrastructure

**2018**  
 Construction begins

**2022**  
 Open for service

**Easing the impacts of construction**  
 Sound Transit will maintain vehicle and pedestrian access throughout construction and will help direct drivers and pedestrians through the work area. If construction is planned to impact transit, traffic, or parking, the surrounding community will be given advanced notice. We will also work to manage impacts on surrounding communities by:

1. Maintaining a safe construction site.
2. Keeping people moving.
3. Protecting the environment.
4. Implementing a business relations program.
5. Maintaining a 24/7 construction hotline.

<p><b>Private utility relocations</b>                  Advanced utility relocation work done by PSE, CenturyLink, and TPU Power</p>	<p><b>Contract utility relocations</b>                  Utility relocation work includes replacing aging utilities in the project area and relocating utilities so they can be accessed for maintenance and repair.</p>	<p><b>Install track and overhead pole foundations</b>                  Sound Transit installs track and wire while placing poles and auxiliary structures that power the system and operate the signals.</p>	<p><b>Build station and supporting infrastructure</b>                  (ADA ramps at international)</p> <p>Next, Sound Transit lays the foundations necessary to run light rail track and builds stations and supporting infrastructure.</p>	<p><b>Install and test systems</b>                  Traffic signals, traffic plans, and testing</p> <p>Before light rail opens to passengers, Sound Transit completes a safety certification process testing communications, safety and emergency systems, as well as signals and crossing gates.</p>
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## November 8 Open House

### Purpose:

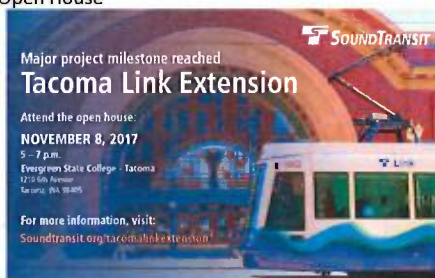
- Design is nearly complete
- View the final design of the platforms
- Learn about construction sequencing
- Speak with the local project artist
- Talk to project partners: City of Tacoma, TPU and Pierce Transit

Online open house at [www.tacomalinkopenhouse.org](http://www.tacomalinkopenhouse.org).

Nearly 100 people attended in-person Open House

### Key themes:

Construction – what, when, how  
Traffic  
Neighborhood changes – pro and con



## Ongoing and Future Outreach

### Ongoing Outreach

- Weekly staffing at City of Tacoma Links to Opportunity project office:
  - 1112 S 11<sup>th</sup> Street in old KeyBank space
  - Thursday, 9 – 1 p.m.
- Regular stakeholder meetings
- Monthly meetings:
  - Hilltop Engagement Committee
  - Hilltop Business Association
  - Stadium Business District Association (meets quarterly)







## Ongoing and Future Outreach

### Future Outreach

- Early 2018: Door-to-door information collection
- Late-summer 2018: Construction Open House and Stakeholder Roundtable Meeting to introduce contractor
- Fall 2018: Construction starts
- Ongoing stakeholder briefings and door-to-door construction communication to individuals and businesses
- 24/7 Construction Hotline



# Capital Projects Update

City of Tacoma

Public Works Engineering Division

Project Delivery

**Transportation Commission**  
**November 15, 2017**





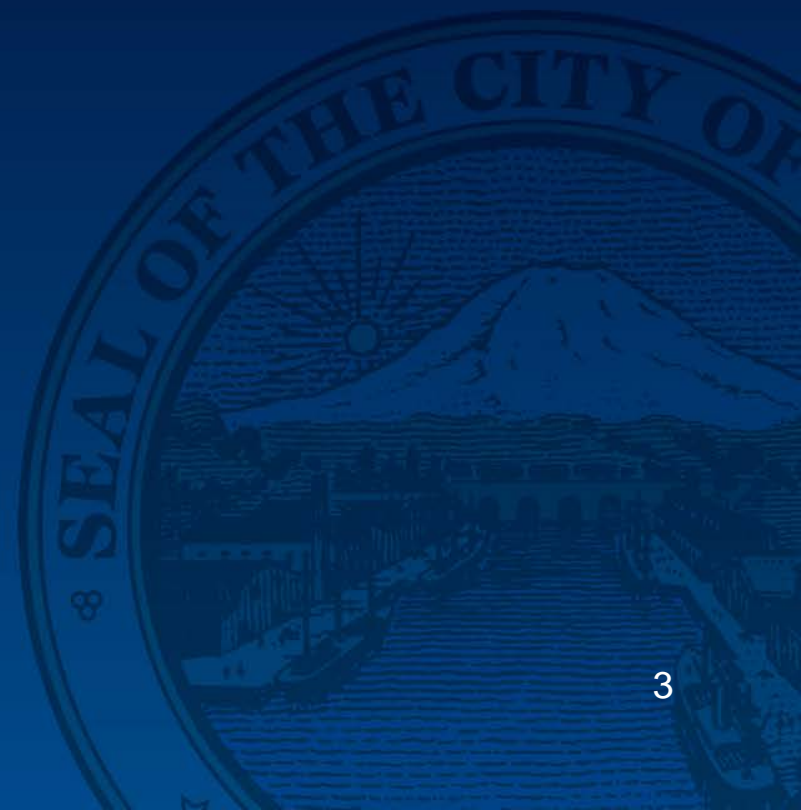
# How Does a Project Become a Project ?

- **Transportation Master Plan**
- **Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan**
- **Council Driven**
- **Partnership Projects**
- **Development Driven**
- **Identified by Stakeholders**
- **Identified by City Staff**



# How Are Projects Funded?

- **Grants**
- **City Funds**
  - REET, MVFT, General Fund, Streets Initiative
- **Partnership**
- **Private Funds**





# Grant Funding

- **2016 Applied for 27 grants (\$159.5M)**
- **2016 Awarded 14 grants (\$25.3M)**
- **2017 Applied for 11 grants (\$31M)**
- **2017 Anticipate award of 7 grants (\$19M) plus 1-2 TIB grants (\$3-\$6M)**

# Current Projects

- ~ \$136M in projects currently underway
- ~ 60 projects
- **Projects added monthly**
  - Grant awards
  - Streets Initiative Work
  - Support for other Departments



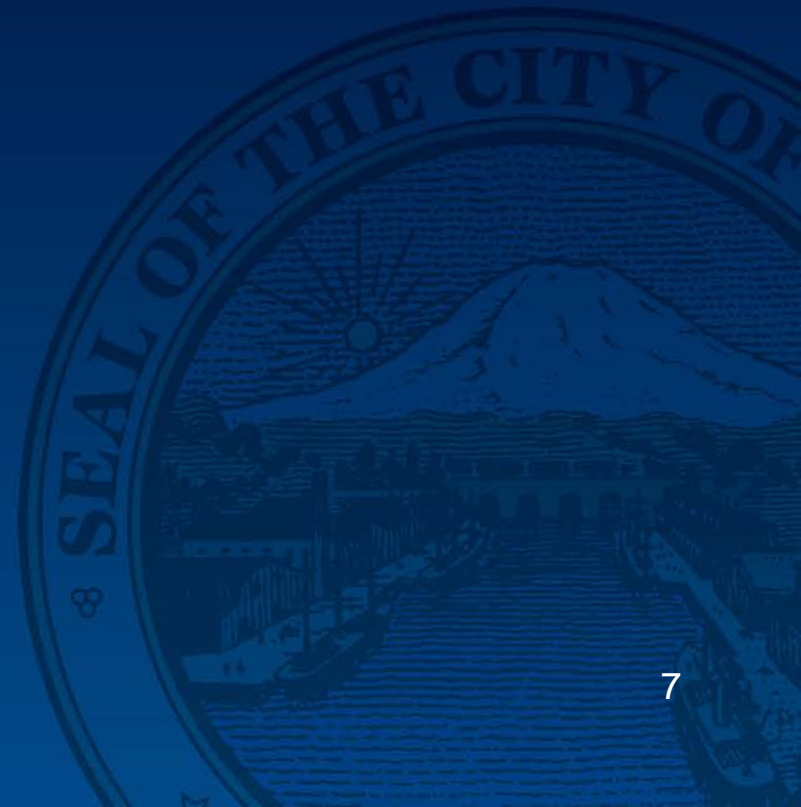


# Project Outreach and Commission Engagement

- **Technical Advisory Groups**
- **Stakeholder Groups**
- **Charrettes, Open Houses, Mailers, Surveys, Website, etc.**
- **Community Groups, Business Districts, Neighborhood Councils**
- **Transportation Commission**

# Grant Opportunities for Next Year

- **PSRC Regional and Countywide**
- **Transportation Improvement Board**
- **Others**





PW Engineering Capital Projects  
Funding, Cost and Schedule

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												Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec		
<b>PROJECTS IN DESIGN</b>																											
1	Prairie Line Trail Phase 2 (Design & ROW only)	Chris Storey	Yes, Prop. Funded	\$1,065,601	\$1,065,601	\$0	\$0	REET \$780,986 MVFT \$172,615 General Fund \$37,000 1085 \$75,000	Design Funds Obligated	Design	Design 4/15 - 2/17 & 5/17 - 12/17	Design/ROW															
2	Prairie Line Trail Phase 3 (Property Purchase & Design)	Chris Storey	Yes, property purchase complete	\$900,000	\$900,000	\$0	\$0	REET \$900,000	NA	Design	Concept. Design 8/17 - 12/17 Design TBD	Design															
3	Puyallup River Bridge	Chris Storey	Rich	\$41,886,043	\$41,886,043	\$0	\$0	MVFT \$81,005 REET 3211 \$1,526,500 Federal Grants \$27,828,538 State Grants \$11,950,000 Interlocal \$500,000	Funds Obligated/ Construction Funds to be Released by WSDOT following Design/Permitting	Design/Build (Design portion)	RFQ/RFP 4/16 - 6/17 Design/Build 7/17 - 3/19	Design/Build															
4	Upper Yard Shed	Chris Storey	NA	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$0	\$0	Streets Ops \$40,000	NA	Design	Design 11/17 Ad & Award 12/17 - 1/18 Construction 2/18 - 4/18	Design	Ad & Award	Construction													
5	Streets Initiative Package 12 South 23rd & Wilkerson	Chris Storey	TBD	\$2,400,000	\$2,400,000	\$0	\$0	1085 \$2,400,000	NA	Design	Design 11/17 - 3/18 Ad & Award 4/18 - 6/18 Construction 7/18 - 9/18	Design		Ad & Award		Construction		Closeout									
6	Pipeline Trail Phase 2	Darius Thompson	Possible ROW need	\$2,787,867	\$2,787,867	\$0	\$0	REET 3211 \$232,500 1140 \$57,500 1085 \$455,267 CMAQ Grant \$2,042,600	NA	Design	Design 4/16 - 7/17 Ad & Award 11/17 - 1/18 Construction 3/18 - 8/18	Ad & Award		Construction				Closeout									
7	Site 10 Seawall (*Note - Request to City Mgr/others to complete Site 10 Seawall instead of Site 12 seawall)	Darius Thompson	NA	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$0	\$0	General Fund \$100,000 REET 3211 \$600,000* General Fund \$800,000*	NA	Design	Design 6/17 - 6/18 Ad & Award 7/18 - 9/18 Construction 10/18 - 1/19	Design				Ad & Award		Construction									
8	Safe Routes to Schools - Lister and First Creek	Darius Thompson	TBD	\$949,000	\$919,000	\$0	\$0	SRTS Grant Lister \$450,115 1085 Lister \$100,000 SRTS First Creek \$318,885 1085 First Creek \$80,000	NA	Design	Design 12/17 - 10/18 Ad & Award 11/18 - 1/19 Construction 3/19 - 7/19	Design										Ad & Award					
9	38th McKinley to Pacific, 4th St & "I" Street Bulbouts & Misc. ADA Improvements	Darius Thompson	TBD	\$575,000	\$575,000	\$0	\$0	1085 \$575,000	NA	Design	Design 9/17 - 12/17 Ad & Award 1/18 - 3/18 Construction 4/18 - 6/18	Design	Ad & Award		Construction												
10	Streets Initiative Package 10 N 45th Pearl - Baltimore	Darius Thompson	TBD		TBD			1085	NA	Design	Design 11/17 - 3/18 Ad & Award 4/18 - 6/18 Construction 7/18 - 10/18	Design		Ad & Award		Construction		Closeout									
11	Streets Initiative Package #17 N Mullen	Darius Thompson	TBD		TBD			1085	NA	Design	Design 12/17 - 10/18 Ad & Award 11/18 - 1/19 Construction 3/18 - 7/19		Design										Ad & Award				
12	56th & Cirque Drive Corridor Ph 2	Diane Sheesley	Troy	\$9,357,651	\$9,357,651	\$0	\$0	MVFT \$207,750 (Design Ph 1&2) General Fund \$34,991 STP Federal Grant \$489,250 (Design Ph 1&2) STP Grant \$6,955,729 (Const Ph 2) 1085 \$1,669,931 (Ph 2)	Phase 2 Construction Funds Must Be Obligated by 6/1/20	Design	Design (Final) & ROW 11/17 - 6/19 Phase 2 Schedule: on Hold with 2020 construction	Complete Design & ROW															
13	Schuster Parkway Promenade	Diane Sheesley	TBD	\$1,527,786	\$1,527,786	\$0	\$0	Federal STP Grant \$1,170,172 Surface Water \$206,300 Open Space \$91,314 1140 \$60,000 (Planning Study)	Design Funds Obligated	Design	Design on Hold	Pending Decision to Continue															
14	Water Ditch Trail Phase III Final Design & ROW	Diane Sheesley	Ronda (no obligation date & no const. funds)	\$377,955	\$377,955	\$0	\$0	Remaining from Ph III & IV design funds: REET 3211 \$136,991(orig. \$212,000K) CMAQ Grant \$89,907 (grant \$600K) MVFT \$51,057 1085 \$100,000	Design Funds Obligated	Design	Design 3/14 - 1/17 & 8/17 - 9/17 ROW 10/17 - 3/18	Complete Design & ROW															



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												Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
15	South Stevens/Tyler/66th Bike and Pedestrian Connector	Diane Sheesley	Troy	\$1,778,290	\$1,778,290	\$0	\$0	REET \$124,938 State Ped/Bike \$1,350,892 1085 match \$287,460 Innov. Grant \$15,000	NA	Design	Design 1/16 - 10/17 ROW 6/17 - 11/17 Ad & Award 12/17 - 2/18 Construction 3/18 - 10/18	Design Completion & ROW	Ad & Award	Construction										Closeout	
16	Links to Opportunity (TOD) Streetscape	Diane Sheesley	NA	\$1,900,000	\$1,920,000	(\$20,000)	\$0	FTA \$1,470,000 MVFT \$168,855 REET \$261,145 (from MLK LID)	Design must be Complete by 8/4/18	Design	Planning 2/16 - 5/16 Design 9/16 - 6/18	Planning/Design													
17	Beautification of STW & Pacific Ave	Diane Sheesley	NA	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	Street Ops \$100,000 est.	NA	Planning/Design	Design 8/16 - 7/17 Streets will likely construct	On hold waiting for ST information													
18	East 25th Street	Diane Sheesley	NA	\$800,000	\$800,000	\$0	\$0	WSDOT Cash \$750,000 1085 \$50,000	NA	Design	Design 6/17 - 12/17 Ad & Award 1/18 - 3/18 Construction 4/18 - 7/18	Design	Ad & Award	Construction			Closeout								
19	Streets Initiative Package 11 concrete panel replacement across City	Diane Sheesley	TBD		TBD			1085 TBD	NA	Design	Design 9/17 - 12/17 Ad & Award 1/18 - 3/18 Construction 4/18 - 7/18	Design	Ad & Award	Construction			Closeout								
20	Taylor Way	Mark D'Andrea	Yes Fed project, ROW funded by Prop funds, construction not fully funded	\$12,411,800	\$21,385,500	(\$8,973,700)	\$0	FMSIB \$2,500,000 (construction) PSRC \$1,384,300 (design) 1085 \$470,000 (design & ROW) PSE \$4,500,000 Tacoma Rail \$250,000 (construct) Tacoma Water \$3,307,500 (construct)	Construction Must Be Complete by 5/22 or FMSIB funds may be at risk Construction Must be Complete by 12/24 per PSE Agreement	Design	Design 1/18 - 3/19 Ad & Award TBD (when construction is fully funded) Construction TBD (when funded)	Design													
21	Lincoln Ave Business District Phase 2 Festival Street	Mark D'Andrea	Ronda	\$2,224,024	\$2,224,024	\$0	\$0	TIB \$1,039,624( 80% of \$1,299,530) TIB \$250,000 1085 \$134,400 (80% of \$168,000) GF \$800,000	NA	Design	Design 6/17 -12/17 Ad & Award 1/18 - 3/18 Construction 6/18 - 9/18	Design	Ad & Award	Construction			Closeout								
22	Fawcett Ave	Mark D'Andrea	TBD	\$1,263,290	\$1,263,290	\$0	\$0	WSDOT Ped/Bike Grant \$1,013,290 1085 \$250,000	NA	Design	Design 12/17 - 10/18 Ad & Award 11/18 - 1/19 Construction 2/19 - 9/19	Design										Ad & Award			
23	E. 64th Design: Pacific to McKinley	Said Seddiki	ROW not funded but likely needed, no construction funds	\$850,000	\$850,000	\$0	\$0	1085 \$850,000	NA	Design	Design 6/16 - 12/16 & 6/17 - 12/18	Design													
24	Streets Initiative Package 8 N Vassault/Highlands	Said Seddiki	TBD	\$2,005,500	\$2,005,500	\$0	\$0	1085 \$2,005,500	NA	Design	Design 6/17 - 10/17 Ad & Award 11/17 - 1/18 Construction 3/18 - 4/18	Ad & Award	Construction		Closeout										
25	Streets Initiative Package 9 S Park Ave	Said Seddiki	TBD	\$2,292,000	\$2,292,000	\$0	\$0	1085 \$2,292,000	NA	Design	Design 6/17 - 10/17 Ad & Award 11/17 - 1/18 Construction 3/18 - 4/18	Ad & Award	Construction		Closeout										
26	Streets Initiative Package 6 Stadium/North Slope	Said Seddiki	TBD		TBD			1085	NA	Design	Design 11/17 - 2/18 Ad & Award 3/18 - 5/18 Construction 6/18 - 10/18	Design		Ad & Award	Construction										
27	Pac Ave/SR7	Said Seddiki	Ronda (obligation date & no const. funds)	\$995,166	\$995,166	\$0	\$0	HSIP Federal Grant \$945,166 MVFT \$50,000	ROW Funds were obligated by 10/16 Construction Funds Must Be Obligated by 9/30/17	Design	Design 1/16 - 9/17	Agreement with WSDOT pending for added curb ramp work													
28	Streets Initiative #13 Fairbanks (Howe to Roosevelt)	Said Seddiki	TBD		TBD			1085 TBD	NA	Design to begin June 2018	Design 6/18 - 12/18 Ad & Award 1/19 - 3/19 Construction 4/19 - 8/19	Design													









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												Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2	Marine View Drive	Chris Storey						Tacoma Rail Utility Funding & State Grants	NA	Planning	Planning 3/17 - 9/17 Design 10/17 - 1/18 Ad & Award 2/18 - 3/18 Construction 4/18 - 8/18	Design				Ad & Award		Construct							
3	Tie Replacement MP 15 - 28C	Chris Storey						Tacoma Rail Utility Funding	NA	Ad & Award	Ad & Award 8/17 - 9/17 Construction 10/17 - 12/17	Construction													
4	Warhoop Bridge	Chris Storey						Tacoma Mtn Division Funding	NA		Design 11/17 Ad & Award 12/17 - 1/18 Construction 2/18 - 6/18	Design	Ad & Award		Construct										



2016 Grant Awards

Grant	Status	Project	2016 GRANT RESULTS		TOTAL
			Grant Amount	City Match	Grant + City
Regional Mobility	Awarded	Tacoma Link Expansion – Phase 1	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$5,000,000
TIB	Awarded	Port of Tacoma Road - Phase 2 <sup>1</sup>	\$325,000	\$770,000	\$1,095,000
PSRC Regional	Awarded	Taylor Way – SR509 to E. 11 <sup>th</sup> Street	\$1,384,300	\$220,000	\$1,604,300
FMSIB	Awarded	Taylor Way – SR509 to E. 11 <sup>th</sup> Street	\$2,500,000	\$0	\$2,500,000
PSRC Countywide	Awarded	South 56th Street Phase 2	\$6,955,729	\$1,589,931	\$8,545,660
PSRC Countywide	Awarded	Pipeline Trail Phase 2	\$2,042,600	\$415,267	\$2,457,867
HSIP	Funded	Portland Avenue Corridor Signal Upgrades (E. 72nd St to PuyallupAve/Ells St.)	\$1,368,535	\$232,689	\$1,601,224
HSIP	Funded	South Tacoma Way Corridor Safety Improvements between S. M St and E. G St.	\$923,930	\$145,883	\$1,069,813
TIB	Funded	(38th St) Lincoln District Streetscape/Yakima Festival Street <sup>2</sup>	\$1,413,179	\$168,000	\$1,581,179
TIB	Funded	TIB Complete Streets (Lincoln District Streetscape - Yakima Festival Street)	\$250,000	\$0	\$250,000
WSDOT SRTS	Funded	Lister Elementary Safe Routes to Schools	\$450,115	\$85,000	\$535,115
WSDOT SRTS	Funded	First Creek Safe Routes to Schools	\$318,885	\$65,000	\$383,885
WSDOT Ped/Bike	Funded	Fawcett Avenue: South 19th to South 21st	\$1,013,290	\$250,000	\$1,263,290
WSDOT Ped/Bike	Funded <sup>3</sup>	South Stevens/Tyler/66th Bike and Pedestrian Connector	\$1,350,892	\$237,460	\$1,588,352
NHS	Funded				
<b>Totals</b>			<b>\$25,296,455</b>	<b>\$4,179,230</b>	<b>\$29,475,685</b>

Notes:

- 1) Additional Grant Match: \$31K from 1085 for signal at Marshall Road, \$180K from Port of Tacoma
- 2) Additional Grant Match: \$85K from Prop Partnering Funds for Yakima & G St partnership with ES/storm, \$2,579,143 from Bond Funds, \$100K from General Fund, \$1,820,857 from REET
- 3) Additional Grant Match: \$15K from Innovative Grants

2017 Grant Applications

Grant	Status	Project	GRANT APPLICATION		TOTAL
			Funding Request	1085 Match	Grant + City
NHS	Funded	South 19th Street - Union to Mullen	\$2,517,865	\$752,090	\$3,269,955
TIB	Submitted	E. 64th Street Phase 1 (Pacific to McKinley)	\$6,501,958	\$2,000,000	\$8,501,958
TIB	Submitted	S. 21st Street (Tacoma Ave. to Jefferson)	\$2,691,855	\$819,570	\$3,511,425
TIB	Submitted	S. 19th Street Sidewalk (Cedar St. to Bates Technical College)	\$346,000	\$156,190	\$502,190
WSDOT	Expected	Titlow Beach Rail Crossing	\$598,500	\$66,500	\$665,000
UTC	Funded	McCarver Rail Crossing	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000
PSRC TAP	Pending Award	Pipeline Trail, Phase III Construction	\$1,936,057	\$430,000	\$2,366,057
PSRC TAP	Not Funded	Water Flume Line Trail Phase 3A (Request was \$2.5M, match \$900K)	\$2,500,000	\$900,000	\$3,400,000
PSRC TAP	Pending Award	Revitalizing Tacoma's Brewery District with Complete Streets: Phase I (Request \$2,405	\$2,405,526	\$524,501	\$2,930,027
BRAC	Submitted	Yakima Avenue Bridge	\$2,586,350	\$900,000	\$3,486,350
NHFP	Expected	Taylor Way	\$8,900,000	\$1,201,500	\$10,101,500
Total of Applications as of 11/14/17			\$31,034,111	\$7,750,351	\$38,784,462
Total Funding Expected as of 11/14/17			\$18,994,298	\$3,874,591	\$22,868,889

A status of "Expected" means the funding agency has indicated they expect to award the City grant funds.

<b>Grant</b>	<b>Funding Timeframe</b>	<b>Maximum Award</b>	<b>Minimum Match Requirement</b>
Federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ)	Next project selection anticipated in 2018		13.5%
<u>Federal Surface Transportation Program (STP)</u>	Next project selection anticipated in 2018		13.5%
Federal Transportation Enhancement (STP (E))	Next project selection anticipated in 2018		13.5%
Federal Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)	Next project selection anticipated in 2018		13.5%
<u>Federal Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)</u>	No funding available at this time, anticipate offering funding in 2019 per WSDOT website.		0%
<u>Freight Mobility Strategic Investment Board (FMSIB)</u>	Next call for projects expected February 2016		35%
<u>Federal Safe Routes to Schools (SRTS)</u>	No open call for projects at this time. No information regarding upcoming call for projects on WSDOT website.		0 - 10%
<u>WSTSC Beacon Grants</u>	Unfunded in 2015-2017 State Biennium	\$7,500	
<u>Bridge Advisory Review Committee (BRAC) Local Bridge Program</u>		\$12,000,000	20%
Bridge Advisory Review Committee (BRAC) Preventive Maintenance			0%
<u>Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) - Urban Sidewalk Program</u>	Annual call for projects		20%
<u>Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) - Urban Arterial Program</u>	Annual call for projects		20%
<u>TIB - Complete Streets Grant Program</u>			
State Recreation Conservation Office Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)		\$500,000	50%
<u>TIGER</u>			
<u>WA UTC Rail Crossing Protective Fund Grants</u>			
State Recreation Conservation Office Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP)		\$500,000	50%
State Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB)	Ongoing application acceptance, requires developer component.		20-50%



City of Tacoma  
Public Works Department

November 7, 2017

City of Tacoma Transportation Commission

**Subject: Puyallup Avenue Corridor Conceptual Design Comments, 9/26/17**

Thank you for providing comments to our October 16, 2017, presentation on the Puyallup Avenue Conceptual Design project. As we move into this next phase, I wanted to provide a brief response to the Commission's recommendations to assure you we will be carrying these recommendations forward.

**Recommendation TC1: Let this plan be the first of many drafting phases, including funding, with the City prioritizing a holistic review and design of the corridor to include East 25th Street.**

Sound Transit has reported that "various alternatives for alignment and station siting will be developed and assessed over the next 16-18 months" for their light rail project. Pierce Transit's High Capacity Transit Study will identify its preferred option in 2018. Once the outcome of these studies are known, the use of Puyallup Avenue and E. 25<sup>th</sup> Street will be further reviewed with respect to optimizing travel for all modes.

**Recommendation TC2: Remove on-street parking between Pacific and Portland Avenues to allow for safer and more effective and efficient pedestrian, bicycle and transit LOS, and relocate, when applicable, to side streets.**

Removal and/or a reduction of on-street parking was a consistent comment during our public outreach. An evaluation of existing parking conditions will be reviewed, in conjunction with the Dome Business District and the South Downtown Subarea Plan, as part of the next phase of the project.

**Recommendation TC3: A bidirectional protected bicycle facility along the entire length of Puyallup Avenue (Alternative 1)**

Although more positive comments were received from our outreach for separated bike facilities, a two-way bicycle path on the north side of Puyallup Avenue will be reviewed as part of the next phase of the project.

**Recommendation TC4: Sidewalks and street plantings along the entire length of Puyallup Avenue and safer pedestrian crossings (Included in all alternatives)**

Sidewalks and street plantings are planned to run along the entire length of Puyallup Avenue on both sides of the street. Improving the pedestrian crossing experience/safety was identified as a high priority by stakeholders and the public during our recent outreach. Crossing improvements will be developed during the next phase of the project.



**Recommendation TC5: An east and westbound transit lane along the entire length of the Puyallup Avenue corridor between Pacific Avenue and Portland Avenue. (Alternative 1 + new element)**

The current project culminated in the development of an interim hybrid alternative based on feedback received through the outreach process. Elements of this interim hybrid alternative were presented to the Infrastructure, Planning and Sustainability Committee on October 25, 2017, and will be presented further in the project's final technical memo. This interim hybrid alternative does contain an eastbound transit lane from Portland Avenue to Pacific Avenue (as shown in Alternative 1). The transit agencies have requested a westbound transit lane on E. G St./E. 26<sup>th</sup> St. to Pacific Avenue. Although a westbound transit lane has not been included in the interim hybrid alternative along Puyallup Avenue, the final layout of the corridor will be developed in the next phase of the project in conjunction with the outcome of Pierce Transit's High Capacity Transit Study and Sound Transit's light rail alignment. At that time, the utility of a westbound transit lane along Puyallup Avenue will be reviewed with key stakeholders, such as the Transportation Commission and transit agencies.

**Recommendation TC6: Eastbound Transit/HOV lane contained in Alternative 1; E. D St as a "Bus and Freight" lane.**

An eastbound transit lane has been included in the interim hybrid alternative as described above in response to Recommendation TC5. This hybrid alternative will be carried into the next phase of the project for further development. The management of the transit lane regarding HOV use/hours of operation/freight use/etc. will be developed and reviewed with key stakeholders during the next phase of the project.

As discussed, an interim hybrid alternative has been developed based on the feedback received from our stakeholders, our Technical Advisory Committee, and via our public outreach process. This hybrid alternative is similar to Alternative 1 (with the exception of separated bike facilities in place of the two-way bike path) both east and west of the general transit area. In the vicinity of the transit area, however, the corridor is more similar to Alternative 2 with two travel lanes in each direction (one of which being an eastbound transit lane, and the addition of a center turn lane) to support the higher traffic volume associated with this area of the corridor. This interim hybrid alternative will be further developed and reviewed with key stakeholders during the next phase of the project.

Thank you for your recommendations on this project.

Sincerely,



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