# CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

## Construction for 7th Ave Mobility Improvements begins January 2

#### **OVERVIEW**

As soon as January 2, 2018, crews will begin construction to improve 7th Ave between Westlake Ave and Union St. Crews will build a protected bike lane on the west side of 7th Ave and update traffic signals and circulation. This project will contribute to a safer, smoother experience for people walking, biking, and driving along 7th Ave. See reverse side for details about weekend work January 5 – 7.

#### **SCHEDULE & SEQUENCING**

We expect construction to last through April 2018. Crews plan to work from north to south, with the work area stretching approximately 2 – 3 blocks at a time.

- Westlake Ave to Olive Way Work expected to begin as soon as January
- Olive Way to Union St Work expected to begin as soon as February

This schedule is weather-dependent and subject to change. We will maintain access to businesses at all times, and will work individually with property owners and property managers regarding temporary impacts to driveways.

#### WE WANT TO KEEP YOU INFORMED

To get the latest information, sign up for construction email updates on our webpage: www.seattle.gov/transportation/7thAvePBL.htm

#### WHY 7TH AVE?

- This project began as part of the Center City Bike Network project, to determine the best fit for protected bike lanes downtown
- 7th Ave was selected because it extends the existing 7th Ave protected bike lane and connects South Lake Union to Capitol Hill
- Extending the 7th Ave protected bike lane is part of the City's Vision Zero plan to end traffic deaths and serious injuries by 2030
- Additionally, converting 1 block from 2-way to 1-way provides an opportunity to improve traffic flow



- Existing bike lane
- Future protected bike lane and traffic signal upgrades
- ••• Future bike sharrow

### WHAT TO EXPECT DURING CONSTRUCTION

#### **HOURS**

- Typical weekday work hours from 7 AM 5 PM
- Intermittent night and weekend work to minimize impacts to Metro trolley routes on intersecting streets

#### TRAFFIC IMPACTS

- Temporary lane closures: Crews will maintain 2 lanes of traffic on 7th Ave during peak traffic periods, but traffic may be reduced to 1 lane during other work hours
- Potential traffic delays
- Temporary restrictions at loading and parking zones

#### PEDESTRIAN & BICYCLE ACCESS

- Temporary pedestrian detours around the work zone
- Bicyclists should use caution and merge with traffic

#### **NOISE**

Typical construction noise, dust, and vibration from heavy construction machinery

#### PROJECT INFORMATION & CONTACT

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## Crews to work January 5 - 7 at Stewart St & Virginia St

Crews will conduct intersection work on Friday night, Saturday and Sunday, January 5-7, as part of the 7th Ave Mobility Improvements Project. At the intersection of 7th Ave and Stewart St, crews will begin demolition on Friday evening in order to complete storm drain and electrical connections throughout the weekend. Crews will conduct signal work at the intersection of 7th Ave and Virginia St during the day on Saturday and Sunday.

This schedule is weather-dependent and subject to change. This work is scheduled for the weekend to minimize impacts to King County Metro trolley routes on intersecting streets. Additional weekend intersection work will be required. Please visit the project website for the latest schedule and to sign up for regular project updates: www.seattle.gov/transportation/7thAvePBL.htm

#### **ESTIMATED WORK HOURS**

- 7th Ave and Stewart St:
  - o 7 PM January 5 to 7 AM January 6 (overnight work Friday to Saturday)
  - o 7 AM 5 PM January 6 and January 7
- 7th Ave and Virginia St: 7 AM 5 PM January 6 and January 7

#### **CONSTRUCTION IMPACTS**

- Please expect construction noise, dust, and vibration throughout all hours of the weekend
- Crews will work overnight at the intersection of 7th Ave and Stewart St on Friday, January 5, to Saturday, January 6; the
  noisiest work including breaking pavement, saw cutting, and the use of jackhammers is prohibited between 11 PM
  and 7 AM
- The contractor is obtaining a noise variance to complete this work

#### TRAFFIC IMPACTS

- Please expect temporary lane closures and traffic delays on 7th Ave, Virginia St, and Stewart St during this weekend work
- Crews will maintain eastbound traffic on Virginia St and westbound traffic on Stewart St during this work, but traffic may be reduced to 1 lane
- Crews may need to temporarily close southbound 7th Ave at Stewart St to complete storm drain work at the intersection, but will maintain local access to all destinations near the intersection; please follow posted detour signs

#### TRANSIT, BICYCLE, AND PEDESTRIAN INFORMATION

- Transit routes should run according to their regular weekend schedules
- Bicyclists should merge with traffic or dismount and use sidewalks in construction areas
- Pedestrian crossings will be maintained



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