

Magnolia Bridge Replacement Project Speakers Bureau

Group/Organization: BINMIC Action Committee
Date: November 9, 2005 – 7:30 am
Location: Ballard Little City Hall
Team Members: Kirk Jones, Cela Fortier, Pete Smith, Sarah Brandt

Overview

Kirk Jones provided a presentation to the Ballard Interbay Northend Manufacturing Industrial Center (BINMIC) Action Committee to discuss the Rehabilitation Alternative and solicit input on selecting a preferred alternative. Approximately 10 people were in attendance. BINMIC emphasized the importance of maintaining the maritime cluster economy and the functionality of the North Bay area, and were concerned with project costs and economic impacts.

Questions/Comments

Meeting attendees had the following questions and comments. Responses are indicated in *italics*.

- Why are people not in favor of Alternative C? *Route is too circuitous, requires people to stop at a signalized intersection.*
- It is very important to retain the cluster economy.
- Does the Port have a preferred alternative? *Not that they've expressed to SDOT.*
- Do not pursue the Rehab Alternative.
- Could swapping land or trading easements reduce right-of-way costs? *Yes.*
- Do all options assume that 21st Ave N will be opened to the public?
- Could you do an interim Rehab Alternative?
- BINMIC should set goals or preferred alternatives to help shape the final selection. (Lise Kenworthy and Kim Suelzle will draft a position statement).
- Kim (CityIce) said that none of the options are good, but that he understands that all impacts would be mitigated. While none of the options look great, A is the best by far.
- Consider how the combination of land uses, potential future cruise ships, and the Port's development plans could change characteristics of the area.
- Is the economic impact analysis of the area done? It should be included in the matrix of impacts. *Yes. It will be considered in selecting a preferred alternative.*
- Will the mayor include the Magnolia Bridge in his list of priorities?