## Roosevelt to Downtown High-Capacity Transit Study



Public Open Houses December 9 & 10, 2015



Seattle Department of Transportation

### Our mission, vision, and core values

**Mission**: deliver a high-quality transportation system for Seattle

Vision: connected people, places, and products

Committed to 5 core values to create a city that is:

- Safe
- Interconnected
- Affordable
- Vibrant
- Innovative

### For **all**

# Project summary

- Identified as top priority in 2012 Seattle Transit Master Plan
- Connects Downtown,
   South Lake Union, Eastlake,
   U District, Roosevelt,
   Maple Leaf and Northgate
- Identified in Move Seattle
   Levy as a RapidRide
   Plus Corridor



### Progress to date

- Existing conditions documented (on website)
- Mode analysis completed (on website)
- Public open houses held on existing conditions and mode analysis (May 2015)
- Identified Bus Rapid Transit features (Fall 2015)

### **Updated Timeline**

December 9 & 10: RDHCT Open Houses (second round)
December 9 – TOPS in Eastlake
December 10 – UW Tower in University District

January - March 2016: Review Public input and analyze BRT improvements

March 2016: Recommend a BRT Corridor Concept

**Second Quarter 2016:** Complete 10% Concept Design and current phase of the project

### Project purpose and need

- Improve transit service
- Improve conditions for people biking and walking
- Meet transit mode share goals
- Strengthen the north-south connection
- Serve growing population and employment centers



### **BRT Network Plan**

### **Move Seattle Transit Promise:**

Provide 72% of City residents with 10 minute or better all-day transit service, within a 10-minute walk from their home

> HOUSEHOLDS WITH TRANSIT SERVICE WITHIN CLOSE WALKING DISTANCE\*



### **BRT Network Plan**



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ENHANCED STATIONS BRT stations include raised platforms, off-board fare payment, real-time arrival information, larger shelters, and other passenger amenities.



stations more visible, raising awareness of BRT and increasing customer expectations for higher levels of service.

Unique designs make buses and

#### ENHANCED FARE

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COLLECTION SYSTEMS Off-board fare collection using ticket vending machines, card readers, and other tools at stations allow passengers to load without waiting in line to pay their fares.



SPECIALIZED VEHICLES Custom buses provide more capacity, more doors, and lower floors for easier

loading and unloading, and unique designs.



DEDICATED RUNNING WAY Bus-only Lanes separate transit from traffic and are clearly marked to increase visibility.





### Levels of BRT

- RapidRide
- Targeted Investment
- Full BRT

# RapidRide

Incorporates design elements based on the existing Metro RapidRide service, including:

- Curb-running service
- Right-door loading articulated vehicles
- Stop consolidation
- Transit signal priority and communications
- Enhanced stations
- Station area pedestrian enhancements



### Targeted Investment

Incorporates all the benefits of RapidRide plus:

- Minor roadway changes
- Bicycle enhancements

- Additional/Improved pedestrian facilities
- Minimal parking and access modifications



# Full BRT

Incorporates all the benefits of Targeted Investments plus:

- Median-running service
- Major roadway changes

- Redistribution of right-of-way allocation by mode
- Major parking and access modifications



# **Open House Stations**

### • Visit the following stations:

- Corridor-wide summary, BRT concepts, and BRT station design and location
- Downtown & South Lake Union
- Eastlake
- Roosevelt & University District
- Northgate & Maple Leaf

# • Learn about potential improvements and share your thoughts and insights

# **Questions**?

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