

"Missing Link" Bike Route Study on NW Market St - Leary Ave NW - 17th Ave NW

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Opportunities

- An all ages/abilities safe bike connection through Ballard
- Activate commercial areas with better access for more travel modes and user types to visit businesses
- Way forward out of litigation associated with the Shilshole route
- Start connection along Market for a potential future connection to the Sound Transit Link Station at Market and 15th Ave NW



Ballard Farmers Market entrance near NW Market St and 22nd Ave NW

Background

- Councilmember Dan Strauss and Mayor Bruce Harrell requested that SDOT study this route as an option for connecting the Burke-Gilman Missing Link with an all ages and abilities bicycle facility through Ballard
- Design to mimic NW Market St west of 24th Ave NW
- SDOT has 100% designs for a proposed route along Shilshole Ave NW, however construction along this route has been paused due to ongoing litigation for over 25 years. This route remains an option if these legal challenges are resolved



Existing asphalt pathway near NW Market St and 28th Ave NW

Outreach

- Launching design and public engagement in July!
- WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!
 - What this route would mean for community members and businesses?
 - What future design details are you excited about including?
 - What existing design characteristics are you hoping to keep vs excited to change?
 - What design and/or construction impacts are you concerned about?
- Early design will result in an initial concept only
- Design will be refined with community input
 - We're contacting businesses and property owners near the route, presenting to community groups, conducting field research, and launching a community survey.
 - Link to [Website](#)
 - Link to [Comment Form](#)



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Funding

- SDOT will use existing funds allocated to the Burke Gilman Trail Project to develop this conceptual design
- This will allow SDOT to understand mobility impacts to the community along this potential route



Existing street cafes, trees, and parking near NW Market St and 24th Ave NW

Timeline & Next Steps

- Currently in the early design and expect to be able to share more design details over the summer
- Next Steps – Get Involved!
 - Sign up for more information/invitations: [\[Link to project email list sign up\]](#)
 - Take survey in July
 - Come to Open House in late July/early August
 - Look for us at Ballard Farmers Market
 - Look for us going door-to-door talking to businesses
 - Attend another community stakeholder presentation
 - Send feedback via website comment form



Existing parking and signal equipment near NW Market St and Ballard Ave NW

Questions?

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Existing street café near Leary Ave NW and NW Vernon Pl

Back Pocket Slide Overview of Ballard Projects

- **Market/Leary/17th Bike Route Study**
- Route 40 Transit Project
- Street Café/Parking Redesign on Ballard Ave NW - 2023
- Parking Changes in multiple places
- 20th Ave NW bike lanes (part of parking changes)
- Proposed Shilshole Bike Route (in litigation)

