

Magnolia Bridge Replacement Project Business Briefing

Date: December 11, 2002, 2:30 PM
Location: Amgen Conference Room, 1555 W. Galer Street, Seattle
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Overview

Kirk Jones presented the Magnolia Bridge Project power point presentation, describing the history of the project, and the design process. He described the nine surviving alternative alignments, described the project team's next steps, and answered questions from the group. Approximately 12 people were in attendance.

Questions

Members of the business community asked the following questions:

- Are all nine alternatives economically feasible?
- Has the project team thought about security issues surrounding Pier 90 and 91? Specifically, what the addition of surface streets and increasing public access would mean for public safety around Port properties.
- Who owns the right-of-way for the current bridge?
- When will the business community have a chance to hear from the Port of Seattle regarding their preferred alternative?
- Were the end points of the existing bridge just built? Is an alternative other than A is chosen, would this new construction be wasted?
- Is there a way to determine which alternative would provide the best freight access, including ramp turning radiuses and other criteria?
- Why isn't the project team working with the Port to avoid redundancy in the planning efforts of both groups?
- Has BINMIC taken a position or chosen a preferred alternative?

- One attendee commented that the property he represents is very sensitive to traffic flow. He asked if it was possible to combine several of the alternatives to mitigate the impacts on his property.
- Where will the funding for this project come from?
- Where does the Magnolia Bridge Project fall on the City's priority list for major projects?
- How will this project impact the monorail, and vice versa? Which facility will be built first and which project will have design priority?

Action Items

Cholly Mercer of Rainier Petroleum requested a meeting with the project team.

Briefing Materials

- Alignment descriptions.
- Open House 2 handout.
- Magnolia Bridge Project power point presentation.
- Aerial photograph.