

Metro RapidRide H Line Downtown Seattle to Delridge to Burien

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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

Presentation overview

- 1. Seattle's RapidRide Expansion Program
- Metro RapidRide H Line overview
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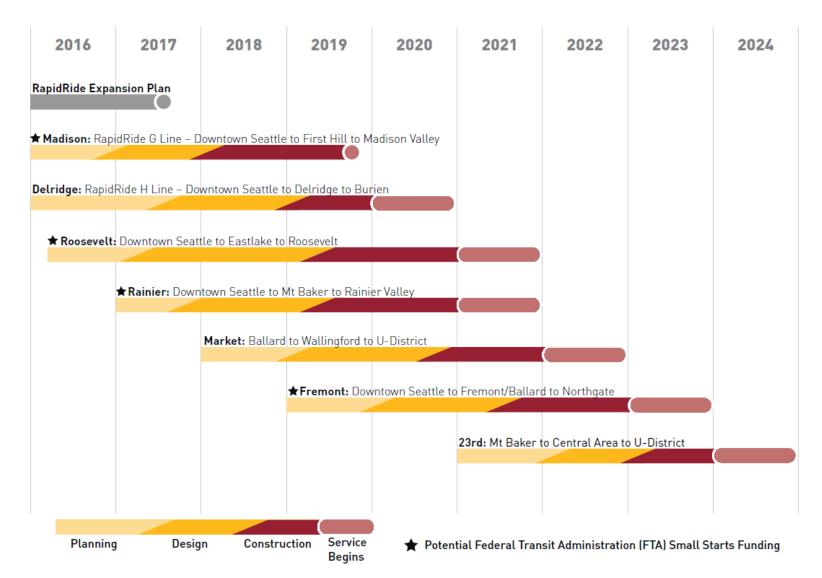


Service in Seattle

- Upgrades 7 lines
- Adds 50,000 daily riders by 2035
- Creates over
 a 60-mile network
- Offers 10-minute or better service



Seattle program timeline



Metro RapidRide H Line overview

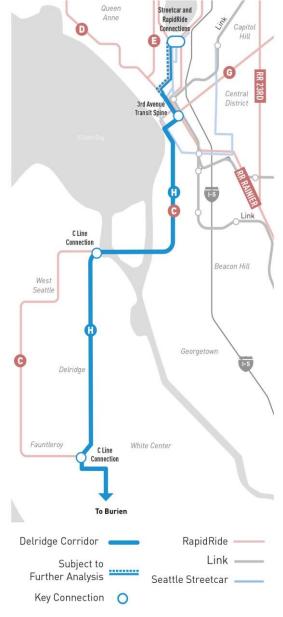
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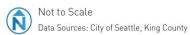
Metro RapidRide H Line:

- Serves Downtown Seattle to Delridge to Burien
- Upgrades King County Metro Route 120 to RapidRide
- Begins service in 2020

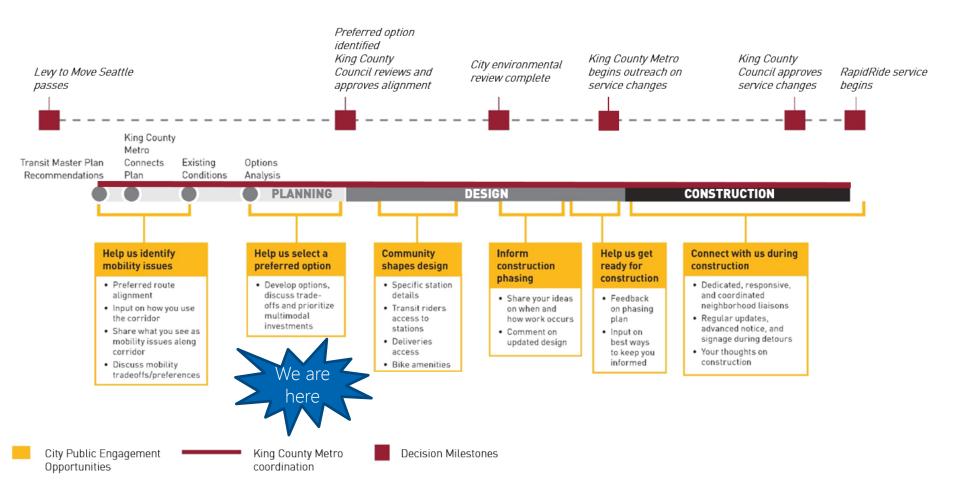
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Downtown Seattle to Delridge to Burien





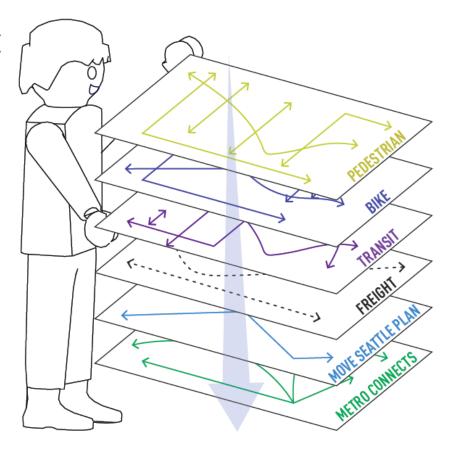
Delivery process & community involvement in Seattle



What we've done so far

Over the last two years, we've:

- Gathered existing conditions
- Considered various street improvements
- Reviewed modal plans
- Gathered public feedback



Existing conditions in Seattle

- 4 miles
- 235 driveways
- At least 5 foot sidewalks on both sides of the street throughout the corridor
- Bike lanes and sharrows
- Unrestricted on-street parking and no parking zones
- 6,300 daily bus boardings



What we learned

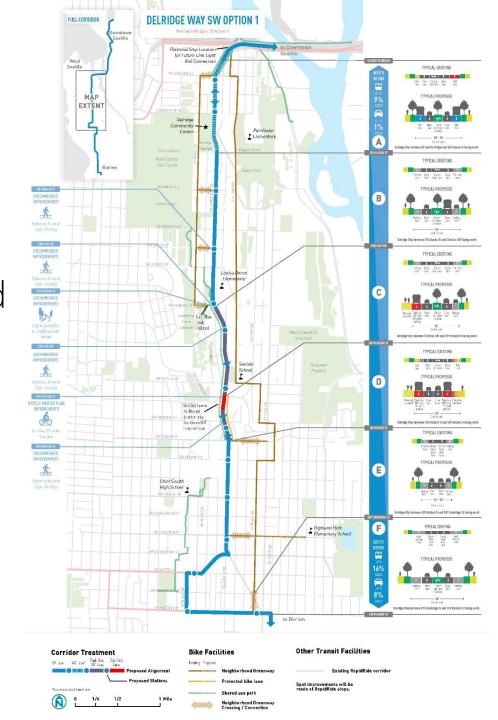


- Unique street with a varied streetscape
- Street design is heavily oriented toward people driving
- Community wants:
 - Faster bus service
 - Better pedestrian connections and crossings
 - Safety for all users
 - 50/50 on bike facility locations (adjacent residential streets vs Delridge Way SW)

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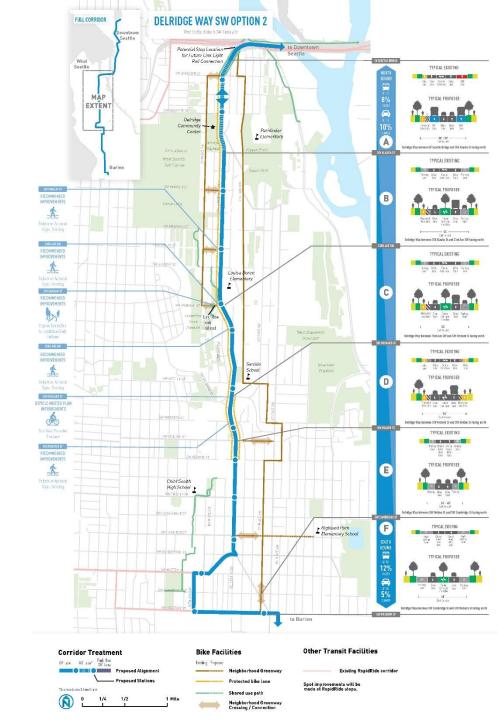
Option 1

- All day and peak period bus-only lanes
- Wider sidewalk from 23rd Ave SW to SW Holden St
- Improved pedestrian crossings
- New neighborhood greenways connections
- New landscaped median



Option 2

- All day bus-only lanes
- Keep existing protected bike lanes and more to portions of Delridge
- Improved pedestrian crossings
- New neighborhood greenways connections
- New landscaped median



Key improvements*

	Option 1	Option 2
New greenway connections	5	5
Improved pedestrian crossings	3	3
New ADA ramps	17	17
Bus only lanes	1.4 miles (all day) + 1.2 miles (peak hours only)	1.4 miles (all day)
Protected bike lane	0.3 miles	2.9 miles
Widened sidewalk Ranges from 8 – 12 feet	0.9 miles	0.0 miles
Landscaped median	2.5 miles	1.8 miles

^{*}Numbers are based on concept design and are subject to change

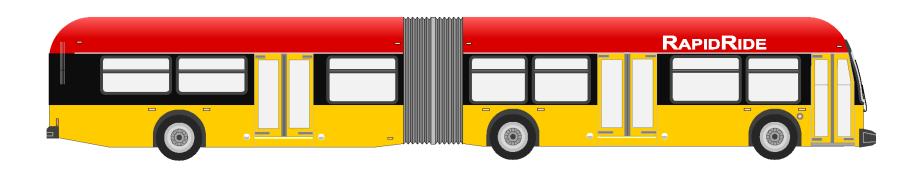
Outcomes*

	Option 1	Option 2
Bus travel time Range for north and southbound	Up to 9 – 16% faster	Up to 8 – 12% faster
Traffic travel time Range for north and southbound	Up to 1 – 8% faster	Up to 5 – 10% slower
On-street parking	Some all-day parking converted to off-peak parking only and new off-peak parking added	Up to 73% of parking retained as a mix of all-day and off-peak
Loading zones	No loading zones removed	Small number of loading zones relocated
Street trees For any street tree removed, two trees are planted within the neighborhood	Up to 80% of street trees retained	Minimal loss of street trees

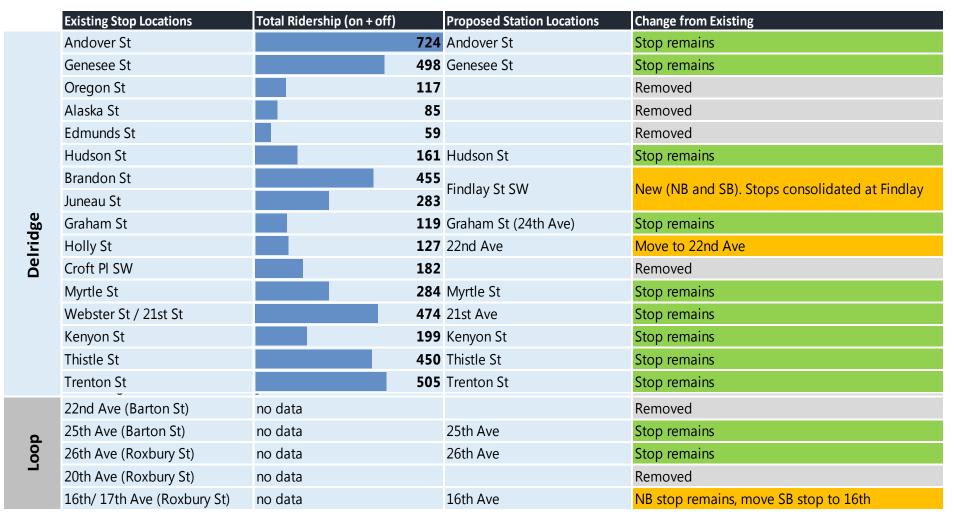
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Possible bus stop changes

- 28 enhanced RapidRide Stations at 14 locations
 - Maintain 23 existing Route 120 stops
 - Remove 5 stops
- Average Spacing
 - Existing every 0.22 mile
 - Proposed every 0.32 mile
 - Adds a 2-minute walk



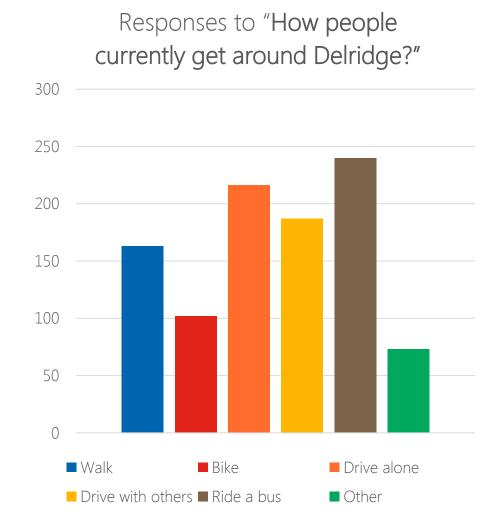
Possible bus stop changes



Bus stop locations are important to the community and SDOT and King County Metro will continue discussing changes as the project moves forward

What we're hearing so far

- 749 online open house visitors
- In-person, met with:
 - 83 people biking & riding buses on the corridor
 - 40 businesses and organizations
 - 4 presentations
- 348 survey responses



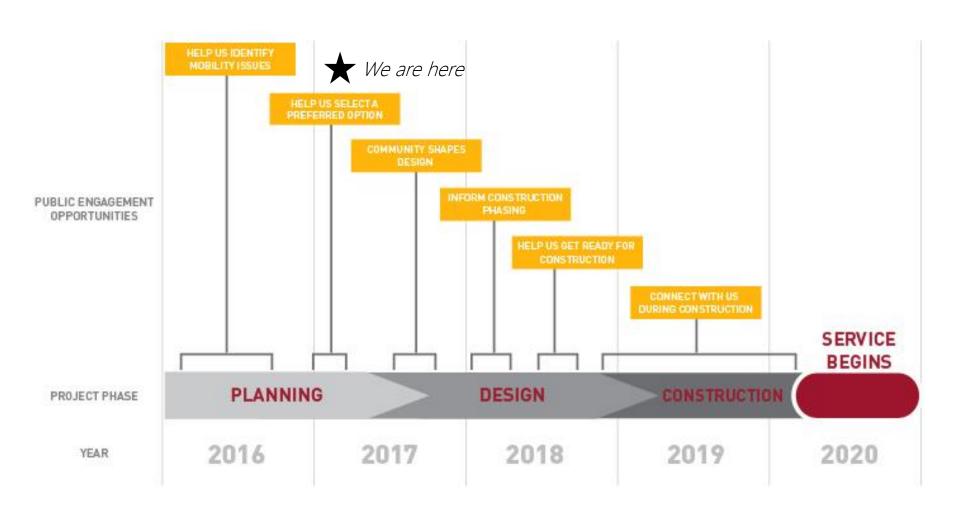
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- Support for improvements along Delridge Way SW
- Overwhelming positive response for improved transit
- 73% of survey takers prefer Option 1
- Request for protected bike lanes the entire length
- Interest in upgrading Westwood Village area
- 54% of survey participants are new to engaging in the project

What we're hearing so far

- Trade offs: Want faster buses, but concern over losing bus stops and on-street parking
 - 77% of survey takers strongly, or somewhat agree that moving/removing stops to make buses faster is okay
 - Delridge District Council encouraged less stop consolidation, because Route 120 serves people moving within Delridge, not just commuters

Schedule & outreach opportunities



Near-term next steps

Solicit input on Delridge design options

- Online open house
- In-person outreach to travelers on Delridge
- Community and advisory board briefings

Comment period ends March 31



Questions?

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