Center City Connector

Streetcar Update

Seattle Department of Transportation

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We've reached a new project milestone! We completed environmental review with the Federal Transit Administration's issuance of a Finding of No Significant Impacts (FONSI) and SDOT's issuance of a (State Environmental Policy Act) SEPA Addendum.

What is a FONSI?
A FONSI is decision document issued by a federal agency after completion of an Environmental Assessment (EA) and 30-day public review period. The FONSI incorporates findings made in the EA and evaluates public comments received to ensure the project will have no significant impacts on the environment.

What is a SEPA Addendum?
A SEPA Addendum is a document that contains minor new information that was not included in the original SEPA document. It is used when a project has been modified, but the changes would not result in significant adverse impacts. An Addendum is also used when additional information becomes available that does not change the analysis that the project would not result in significant adverse impacts.

Environmental Assessment Update

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) announce the availability of a **FONSI** and **SEPA Addendum** for the Center City Connector Streetcar Project. FTA is the lead agency for the project under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). SDOT is the lead agency for the project agency under SEPA. SDOT prepared an **Environmental Assessment** (EA)

for FTA review in compliance with NEPA, 42 U.S.C. § 4332 et. seq., and with FTA's NEPA regulations, 23 CFR Part 771. The EA was issued on May 9, 2016 and made available for public review and comment for a 30-day period. The EA was also adopted in its entirety to support a Determination of Non-significance (DNS) to satisfy State Environmental Policy (SEPA) regulations (Seattle Municipal Code 25.05).

The FONSI and SEPA Addendum can be viewed at the City of Seattle Central Library at 1000 Fourth Ave; the City of Seattle International District/Chinatown Branch Library at 713 Eighth Ave S; the Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections Public Resource Center at the Seattle Municipal Tower, 700 Fifth Ave, 20th floor; or on the project website at: **www.seattlestreetcar.org/centercity.htm**.

A 15-day public comment period for the SEPA Addendum begins on February 27, 2017. Comments must be postmarked or emailed by 5 PM on March 14, 2017. Send comments or request alternate formats to the attention of: Sandra Gurkewitz, Senior Environmental Planner at Seattle Department of Transportation, 700 Fifth Ave, Suite 3800 (SMT-38-00), PO Box 34996, Seattle, WA 98124-4996 or **sandra.gurkewitz@seattle.gov**.

Upcoming Outreach Events

Over the next month, the City Center Connector team will be at the following neighborhood meetings, providing updates and answering community questions:

Madison Street Bus Rapid Transit Open House
Town Hall (1119 8th Ave)
March 9, 2017, 10 AM

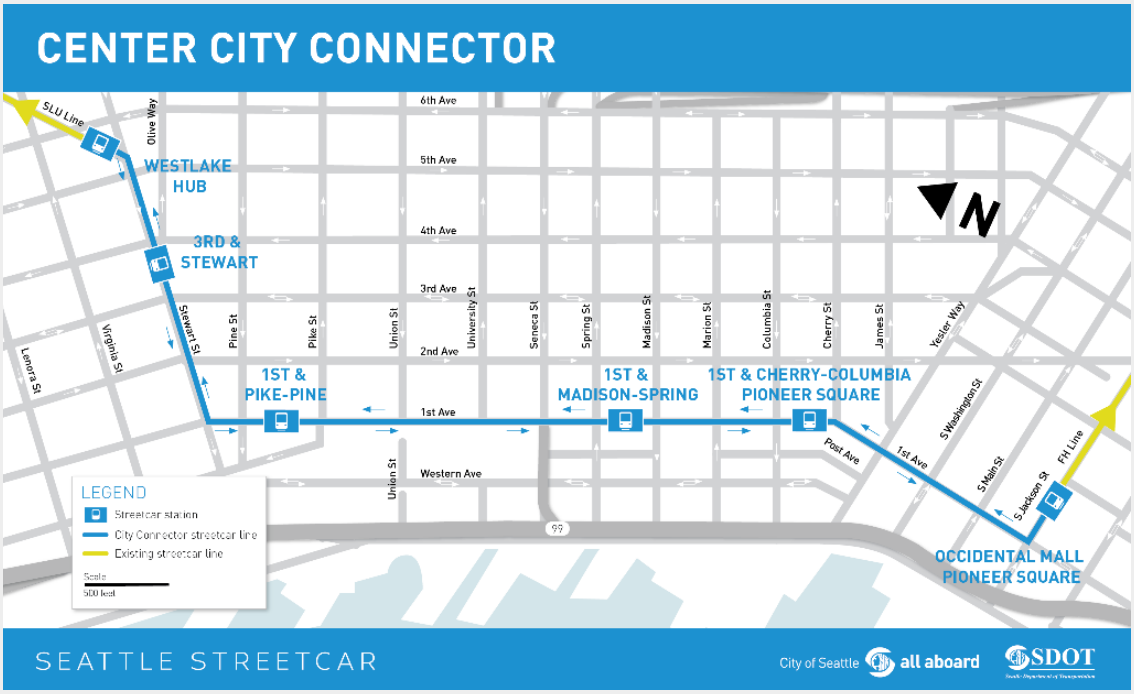
Seattle Design Commission
City Hall (601 5th Ave) – L280 Boards & Commissions Room
March 22, 2017, 1 PM

Pike Place Market Historical Commission

Pike Place – PDA Conference Room

April 5, 2017, 4:30 PM

A member of our project team presenting at SCIDpda



For more information about the project, please visit our website: www.seattlestreetcar.org/centercity.htm

If you have specific questions, or would like to schedule a meeting or briefing, please email us at centercitystreetcar@seattle.gov or call at 206-615-1070.

Please forward these updates to others who may be interested in the project and we always encourage people to [sign up directly at this link](#).

Thank you,
Center City Connector Streetcar project team

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To learn more visit the Center City Connector **website**.

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