SEATTLE STREETCAR
Operations and Maintenance Facility (OMF) Recommendation

During the Environmental Assessment (EA), Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) evaluated the existing capacity of the streetcar operations and maintenance facilities located at Charnel St in the Chinatown-International District and on Harrison St in South Lake Union. They found that neither would be able to accommodate the increased needs created by the Center City Connector Streetcar.

Before moving forward, SDOT explored the possibility of expanding one or both of the existing facilities. The City identified these options: expanding the Charnel St facility, expanding the Harrison St facility, or acquiring a facility and impacts associated with them. Before proceeding with a recommendation, the City sought feedback from the public on the facility options.

After receiving inputs and public comments, SDOT is recommending expanding the existing OMF in South Lake Union on Harrison St and following this route to reduce the new streetcar facilities that will be added next to existing projects in the City. This project is planned to begin in 2020. More to expand the facility could begin as early as 2024.

Utility Location Work on 1st Ave Is Underway

Work on the locations along 1st Ave listed below will be complete in late November or early December. Utility location work includes digging small holes in the street to confirm location of utility lines such as gas, water and electrical. Work at each location is anticipated to last only a few hours, each works are MPAF on weekdays and MPAF on some weekends.

- 1st Ave and Union St
- 1st Ave and Pike St
- 1st Ave and First Ave S
- 1st Ave and Minor St
- 1st Ave and Madison St
- 1st Ave and Spring St

Last Month’s Outreach Events

So far this month the Center City Connector Streetcar outreach team provided project updates to groups in Belltown, Chinatown-International District, and South Lake Union. The project team answered questions and received feedback from community members about project timing, early utility work, existing streetcar traffic, and changes coming to 1st Ave. You can find the most recent project fact sheet, which includes updates on the Center City Connector website.

Upcoming Outreach Events

This month, the project team will continue providing updates and answering questions at neighborhood meetings. Please let us know if you’re interested in learning more.

West Edge Neighborhood Association
Friends of Seattle Waterfront Space
1000 Western Ave
November 26, 2019
6:00 PM

For more information about the project, please visit our website: www.seattlestreetcar.com

If you have specific questions, or would like to schedule a meeting or briefing, please email us at passengerinformation@streetcar.seattlenow.com or call at 206-684-1070.

Please forward these updates to others who may be interested in the project and we always encourage people to check our website.

Thank you,
Center City Connector Outreach project team

City of Seattle all aboard