



CENTER CITY CONNECTOR STREETCAR

Thank you for your interest in the Center City Connector Streetcar. In this weekly update, you'll find information about ongoing construction for the 1st phase of utility work in Pioneer Square.

On-street parking spots have opened

On-street parking spots continue to open

This week, crews began installing signs and pay stations along 1st Ave S. We anticipate restoring additional parking from S Jackson St to S Main St as soon as Friday, August 3. Crews will continue to add parking along 1st Ave S between S Jackson St to S Washington St on a block-by-block basis after the contractor finishes the paving work.

We'll continue to consult with the Alliance for Pioneer Square and local businesses on parking plans. The return of on-street parking is temporary while the Center City Connector Streetcar status is being decided. Also, later this summer crews will temporarily remove parking in some locations to restore portions of the median.

Upcoming water shutdown, late August

A long water shutdown, to hook up portions of the new water main, is being scheduled for late August. Seattle Public Utilities is in the process of contacting building representatives to help determine the best day and time for this neighborhood shutdown. Customers located on the following streets will be impacted:

- 1st Ave S from S Washington St to S. Yesler Way
- 1st Ave from Cherry St. to Marion St
- Yesler Way from 2nd Ave to Alaskan Way
- Cherry St from 1st Ave. to 2nd Ave.

Tree removal from 1st Ave median north of Yesler Way

Early yesterday morning, SDOT Urban Forestry was contacted about a severely leaning London Plane tree in the 1st Ave median between Yesler Way and Cherry St that appeared to have shifted in the ground overnight. Upon inspection, this tree had uprooted and come to rest on the adjacent tree and overhead wires. The crew onsite closed southbound 1st Ave between Cherry St and Yesler Way which helped keep the public safe and facilitated access for the tree removal crew upon arrival.

There was no evidence why this tree failed and SDOT did not observe any obvious disruption to the root system or construction damage. SDOT Urban Forestry will

investigate the root and soil conditions to check for root disease or any other underlying conditions.

Utility construction in Pioneer Square: What to expect the week of August 5

1ST AVE S FROM S JACKSON ST TO S MAIN ST

- Project work is complete at this location

1ST AVE S FROM S MAIN ST TO S WASHINGTON ST

- Crews will replace a sewer maintenance hole on S Main St. This work will require a sewer bypass with a pump and generator operating 24-hours a day for up to one week. The bypass operation will begin as soon as August 13. Crews will mitigate noise with barriers around the generator and pump. This equipment will be located on 1st Ave S. There may be a slight possibility of odor in this area.
- Crews plan to install storm drainage structures on the north and south sides of S Washington St, east of 1st Ave S, approximately halfway between 1st Ave S and Pioneer Passage alley. This work requires pavement breaking, sawcutting, and vacuum excavation. The contractor will attempt to maintain two-way traffic on S Washington St during this work; however, there may be times when one direction is closed to traffic.
- Expect construction impacts such as odor from hot asphalt, increased noise, vibration, dust, truck activity, and exhaust

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- Expect noise and vibration, as well as typical construction impacts such as increased dust, truck activity, and exhaust

1ST AVE FROM YESLER WAY TO CHERRY ST

- Crews will continue pavement breaking and excavating as they work to install a new water main along 1st Ave and Cherry St
- Crews will begin work on the west side of 1st Ave between Cherry St and Yesler Way. This work requires southbound lane closures between Cherry St and Yesler Way from 9 AM to 3 PM. Access to the Diamond Parking lot will be available from Post Ave during this closure.
- Expect construction impacts such as odor from hot asphalt, increased noise, vibration, dust, truck activity, and exhaust

1ST AVE FROM CHERRY ST TO COLUMBIA ST

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- Expect construction impacts such as odor from hot asphalt, increased noise, vibration, dust, truck activity, and exhaust

Free waterfront shuttle starts service in Seattle

PARK ONCE AND RIDE TO 3 POPULAR DOWNTOWN

NEIGHBORHOODS:

SEATTLE CENTER/SPACE NEEDLE, WATERFRONT, AND PIONEER SQUARE:

Seattle (July 30, 2018) – A free Waterfront Shuttle, brought to you by DowntownSeattleParking.com and managed by the Downtown Seattle Association, offers a new way to explore downtown Seattle this summer. Seattle residents and visitors can now board the orange and blue shuttle for a free ride between the Seattle Center/Space Needle and Pioneer Square, with stops along Seattle's historic waterfront. Operated by MTR Western, the shuttle runs approximately every 25 minutes from 10 AM to 8 PM, seven days a week, through October 1.

Shuttle stops are located near numerous popular attractions allowing riders to hop on and hop off along the route. In addition to making stops near parking garages, the shuttle also connects to other modes of public transportation, including trains, light rail, ferries, water taxis, the Monorail, and the Victoria Clipper. To view a full route map, visit DowntownSeattleParking.com/Shuttle. This project was developed in partnership with the Alliance for Pioneer Square, Pike Place Market, and Waterfront businesses.

ONGOING TRAFFIC LANE RESTRICTIONS, STREET CLOSURES, AND OTHER IMPACTS

- Temporary closures of southbound 1st Ave between Cherry St and S Jackson St will occur intermittently for the rest of summer
- Northbound 1st Ave lane closures:
 - Northbound 1st Ave S between S Main St and S Washington St will remain closed until installation of drainage is complete at the 1st Ave and Yesler Way intersection and the pavement restored later this month
 - Northbound 1st Ave S between S Washington St and Yesler Way will remain closed until installation of the new water main and drainage is complete at the 1st Ave and Yesler Way intersection this fall

- Northbound 1st Ave is closed between Yesler Way and Columbia St 24 hours per day. This long-term closure is accompanied by a southbound curb lane closure between Columbia St and Yesler Way.
- Intermittent lane closures on S Washington St for water main and drainage construction
- Construction staging will remain on the north side of S Main St, west of 1st Ave S, with an additional staging area located on the south side of James St, between Yesler Way and 2nd Ave
- Some parking removal along both sides of 1st Ave between S Main St and Marion St
- Long-term temporary parking and load zone restrictions:
 - In the yellow-striped load zone on the north side of S Washington St just east of 1st Ave S
 - In the red-striped no parking zone on the north side of S Washington St just west of 1st Ave S
- Typical construction hours are 7 AM – 5 PM, Monday – Saturday. Construction-related noise may be heard as early as 6:30 AM as crews refuel equipment and begin staging for the day.
- Expect occasional night and weekend work
- Expect typical construction impacts such as increased dust, noise, vibration, and truck activity



Other nearby work

AREAWAY REPAIR ON THE WEST SIDE OF 1ST AVE BETWEEN COLUMBIA AND MARION STREETS

SDOT is repairing an underground areaway adjacent to the Colman Building on the west side of 1st Ave near Marion St. Areaways are cavities that were created when the grade level of the street was changed, and typically sidewalks are over the areaways. The areaway foundation walls have deteriorated over time and need repair to prevent them from failing.

Anticipated construction impacts include:

- This work, which began on May 29, is anticipated to last approximately 3 months
- Typical construction hours are 7 AM – 5 PM, Monday – Friday
- 24/7 temporary closure of the western lane of southbound 1st Ave from Marion St to mid-block of 1st Ave between Marion St and Columbia St for the duration of the areaway repair
- Temporary sidewalk impacts at the southwest corner of 1st Ave and Marion St
- The width of the sidewalk from the UPS store to the north end of the Starbucks Coffee shop will be temporarily reduced for the duration of this construction
- Increased dust, noise, vibration and truck activity
- Access to businesses will be maintained at all times

AREAWAY REPAIR ON THE NORTH SIDE OF COLUMBIA ST BETWEEN 1ST AND POST AVENUES

Starting as soon as August 6, areaway repair will begin on the north side Columbia Street between 1st and Post avenues. This work consists of filling the areaway under the sidewalk with lightweight concrete fill,

replacing the sidewalk above and improving entryways to businesses on Columbia Street.

Schedule and hours:

- Monday through Friday, 7 AM to 5 PM
- Some work may occur at night and/or on weekends to ensure a safe work zone. Advanced notification will be provided
- The project is planned to be completed in September

Pedestrian and vehicle access:

- Access to businesses will be maintained
- No vehicular access to Columbia between 1st and Post avenues
- SR-99 on ramp will remain open and accessible
- Any pedestrian and vehicular detours will be clearly posted in work zone

Equipment and noise:

- Expect construction equipment and vehicles moving in and out of the work zone

- Construction trucks and equipment may be noisy; the most significant noise coming from breaking and removing concrete

If you have questions or would like more information about the Waterfront Seattle program, please call or email them at **206.499.8040** or **info@waterfrontseattle.org**

WORK BY PUGET SOUND ENERGY ALONG COLUMBIA ST

Puget Sound Energy (PSE) has completed installation of 520 feet of intermediate pressure (IP) natural gas pipeline along Columbia St, between 1st Ave and the Alaskan Way Viaduct.

The new pipeline will ensure a safe and reliable natural gas supply to support decommissioning of the Alaskan Way Viaduct.

Visit www.pse.com/seattlecore or call the PSE hotline at **1-888-404-8773** for more information.

For more info or questions about construction, contact us at centercitystreetcar@seattle.gov or our 24/7 hotline, (206) 400-7578. For more information about the project, please visit our [website](#).

To forward this update to others who may be interested in the project, please [click here](#).

Thank you!

Center City Connector Streetcar project team



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