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.

Utility construction has resumed on 1st Ave in Pioneer Square following a 17-day strike. The International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE) Local 302 and the Associated General Contractors of Washington have reached a tentative agreement. Please visit the Local 302 webpage for the most up to date information.

**Weekend work: Saturday, September 29, and Sunday, September 30**

**ALONG 1ST AVE S BETWEEN S MAIN ST AND S WASHINGTON ST**

Crews plan to work Saturday, September 29, and Sunday, September 30, to perform maintenance activities in the existing sewer main along 1st Ave between S Main St and S Washington St. Work hours will be from 7 AM to 7 PM and one northbound lane will need to be closed to route bypass piping and stage equipment. Parking will be temporarily restricted on this block during the sewer repair work. This work is weather dependent and described in more detail below.

Utility construction in Pioneer Square: What to expect the week of September 30

In the next few weeks you’ll see crews removing supplies and equipment.

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

- Crews will continue landscaping work in the traffic median. This includes replacing pavers, installing mulch, and stump removal.
- Expect noise and vibration, as well as typical construction impacts such as increased dust, truck activity, and exhaust

**1ST AVE S FROM S MAIN ST TO S WASHINGTON ST**
• Crews will be performing maintenance activities in the existing sewer main. This work requires a temporary sewer bypass with pumps for up to one week. During the sewer maintenance work, equipment will be staged on 1st Ave S and will require one northbound lane closure. Parking will be temporarily restricted on this block during the sewer repair work (7 AM to 7 PM daily). There is a possibility of odor in this area. This work is weather dependent.
• Crews will continue landscaping work in the traffic median. This includes replacing pavers, installing mulch, and stump removal.
• Expect noise and vibration, as well as typical construction impacts such as increased dust, truck activity, and exhaust

1ST AVE S FROM S WASHINGTON ST TO YESLER WAY

• Crews will continue grading and paving the roadway, weather permitting, on 1st Ave S between S Washington St and Yesler Way. This work may require intermittent lane and crosswalk closures at the 1st Ave and Yesler Way intersection. Detours will be signed, and Uniformed Police Officers (UPOs) will assist traffic through the intersection.
• Crews will continue landscaping work in the traffic median. This includes replacing pavers, installing mulch, and stump removal.
• 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 restoring the north end of Pioneer Square Park. This work requires a partial closure of the park and a pedestrian detour. The work area may be slightly expanded to accommodate the brick restoration work.
• A crew may begin landscaping work in the traffic median. This includes replacing pavers, installing mulch, and stump removal.
• Crews will continue installing storm drainage
• Crews will continue demobilizing the temporary water main, as well as other project equipment, fencing and supplies, from both sides of 1st Ave between Yesler Way and Cherry St
• Expect noise and vibration, as well as typical construction impacts such as increased dust, truck activity, and exhaust

1ST AVE FROM CHERRY ST TO COLUMBIA ST
• Crews will continue demobilizing the temporary water main, as well as other project equipment, fencing and supplies, from both sides of 1st Ave between Cherry St and Columbia St
• Expect noise and vibration, as well as typical construction impacts such as increased dust, truck activity, and exhaust

On-street parking spots continue to open

Parking has been restored along 1st Ave S between S Jackson and S Washington streets. Where parking is in place along this section of 1st Ave S, parking and stopping are allowed at all times except from 6 to 9 AM.

SDOT plans to restrict parking along 1st Ave from 6 AM to 7 PM weekdays when the viaduct closes. We’ll continue to coordinate with the Alliance for Pioneer Square on parking management as the tunnel opens to traffic and demolition of the viaduct and construction on the waterfront progress.

ONGOING TRAFFIC LANE RESTRICTIONS, STREET CLOSURES, AND OTHER IMPACTS

• 1st Ave will be reopened to traffic before the Alaskan Way Viaduct is permanently closed to transition traffic into the new tunnel
• Temporary closures of southbound 1st Ave between Cherry St and S Jackson St will occur intermittently
• Northbound 1st Ave lane closures:
  ◦ Northbound 1st Ave is closed between S Washington St 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 Cherry St for and drainage construction and street restoration
• Construction staging will remain on the north side of S Main St, west of 1st Ave S, and on the south side of James St, between Yesler Way and 2nd Ave
• Parking removal along both sides of 1st Ave between S Washington St and Columbia St
• Temporary load zone restrictions:
  ◦ In the yellow-striped load zone on the north side of S Washington St just east of 1st Ave S
• Typical construction hours are 7 AM – 5 PM, Monday – Friday. 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

STEAM LINE SHUTOFF
Enwave has shut off the steam line along 1st Ave S between S Main St and Yesler Way to accommodate work in the sewer maintenance holes. This work is tentatively scheduled to last through Wednesday, October 3, and is weather dependent. Enwave will notify impacted customers. For questions about this work, please contact Adam Weyer at 206-623-6366.

AREAWAY REPAIR ON THE NORTH SIDE OF COLUMBIA ST BETWEEN 1ST AND POST AVENUES
Areaway repair work began August 6 on the north side of Columbia St between 1st Ave and Post Ave. This work consists of filling the areaway under the sidewalk with lightweight
concrete fill, reconstructing the sidewalk above, and improving entryways to businesses on Columbia St.

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.
  Advance notification will be provided.
- The project is planned to be complete later this month

Pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicle access:

- Access to businesses will be maintained
- No vehicular access to Columbia between 1st Ave and Post Ave
- SR 99 on-ramp will remain open and accessible
- Any pedestrian, bicycle, 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, with the most significant noise coming from breaking and removing concrete

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!

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