East Link Construction Update

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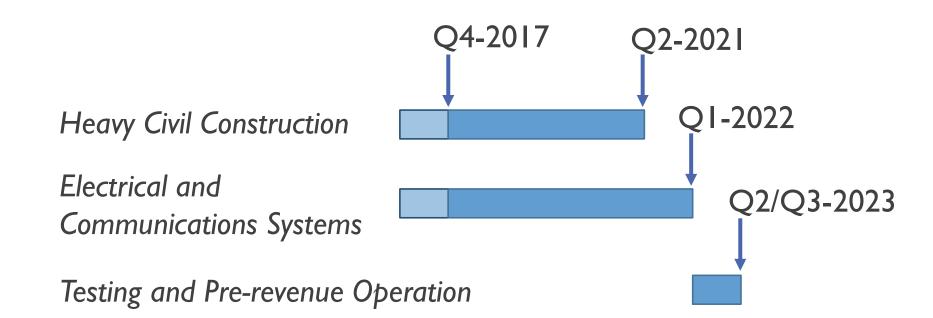
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Topics

- Major East Link construction activities
- Update on permitting as they relate to regulating noise and other construction activity
- Status of the traffic mitigation pilot program in south Bellevue
- City communications and outreach for East Link; community feedback

We are providing this for your information; no council action or direction is sought.

East Link Construction Schedule (construction in Bellevue)









Central Bellevue

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Permits

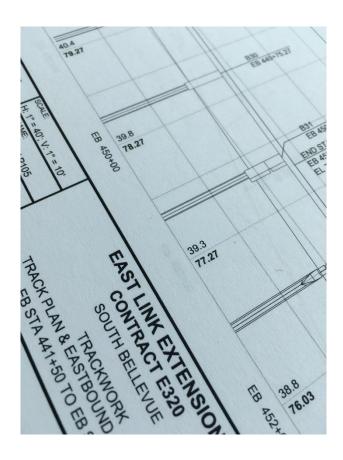
Transition from Design and Mitigation Permits to Technical Permits

- > Building
- Right of Way
- > Clearing and Grading
- > Utility



Permits Conditions & City Codes

- Construction hours
 Noise exceptions
 Permanent noise walls
 Erosion control
- Traffic control



Inspection Oversight

Ensuring contractors are meeting obligations

- Daily city inspections
- Coordination with Sound Transit inspectors



- > Weekly contractor meetings
- Correcting violations

Challenges

- Noise
- > Weather (erosion control)
- City Hall impacts
- Keeping the public informed
- > Traffic management









Neighborhood Traffic Mitigation: Pilot Program

Goal:

Discourage traffic from using neighborhood streets during East Link construction

Pilot started Sept. 5



Pilot Results

Traffic volumes are down **Evaluation**

Traffic volumes

- > Operations
- Community feedback



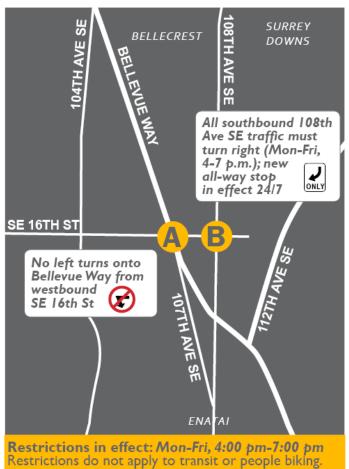
Community feedback

Positive effects seen
 Additional burden
 Inconvenient
 Exemption desired
 Enforcement is critical



Forthcoming Changes to Pilot (starting mid-December)

- Right-turn only at SE 16th St/108th
- >All-way stop
- Westbound SE 16th St open
- Modifications to continue through June 2018



Community Feedback

South Bellevue



- *Very* **received** Park and ride closure
- Minimal . Spillover parking

Minimal

Central Bellevue

- City Hall construction
- Construction noise
- Employee and customer access to downtown buildings
- NE 2nd Street bike detour; displaced parking

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Minimal - • Access to businesses

- Minimal Construction noise Wildlife protection/ Mercer Slough Nature Park
 - Bellevue Way/I-90 weekend closures

Moderate _

- Bellevue Way roadway condition
 - Neighborhood traffic mitigation pilot

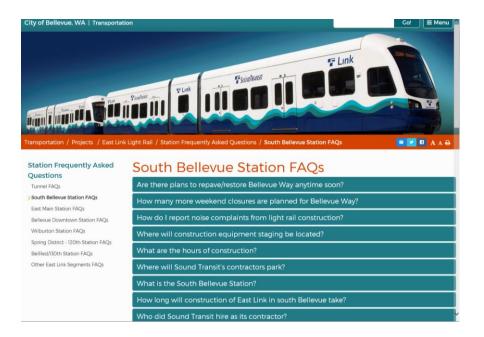
City Communications

ONGOING

Current news and FAQ webpages

>Email/text updates (listserv)

- Twitter and Nextdoor
- Neighborhood News
- >It's Your City newsletter



City Communications

UPCOMING

- Construction noise
- Milestone construction
- Mitigation map
- Pilot program community update
- >Access Bellevue mailer



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Collaboration & Opportunities



Questions

No council action or direction is requested tonight



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