

MEETING NOTES CENTRAL WATERFRONT COMMITTEE LONG TERM STEWARDSHIP SUBCOMMITTEE

MEETING #7 January 9th, 2012 3:30 — 5:00 PM Room #1610, Seattle Municipal Tower

Meeting Attendees

Subcommittee Members & Advisors

- Bob Donegan, Co-Chair
- Kate Joncas
- Patrick Gordon
- Gary Glant

City Staff & Consultants

- Nathan Torgelson
- Steve Pearce
- Bob Chandler

Additional Attendees

Mark Dublin

- Bob Donegan
- Derek Mason
- Bob Davidson
- Norm Schwab
- Jennifer Wieland

Wendell Hill

Description of Project Components

*Committee reviewed and referenced documents including: Waterfront Seattle Project Timing – Grouped Geographically.

City Staff:

- Today we're going to talk about various components of the Waterfront project timing.
- Subcommittee referenced project name, notes, zone, partnerships, earliest construction date and timing for Waterfront, Seawall, WSDOT/WSF, partner and joint projects in the following groups:
 - Main Corridor—ROW Acquisition for Alaskan Way, Seawall Phase I: Washington Virginia, Viaduct Demolition Part I: King to Union, Viaduct Demolition Part II: Union to Battery Street Tunnel, Battery Street Tunnel Decommissioning, Elliot-Western Connector: Pike to Battery, Alaskan Way: King to Pike, Linear Public Space: King to Union, Railroad Way, Columbia

- Street, Seneca Street, Replacement Marion Street Pedestrian Bridge to Colman Dock, Overlook Fold Part I: Structural Support for Lid, Lenora Street Overpass.
- Central Public Spaces—Historic Pier Walks/Wraps, Pier Slips, Pier 62/63 Part I (Pier Replacement), Pier 62/62 Part II (Enhancements), Union Street Overlook Part I (Pier Replacement), Union Street Overlook Part II (The Cloud), Aquarium Expansion, Overlook Fold Part II (Overlook Zone Including Lid over Roadway), Overlook Fold Part III (Step Zone), Overlook Fold Part IV (Market Zone).
- East-West Connections—Main Street Pedestrian Improvements, Broad Street Pedestrian Improvements, University Street Pedestrian Improvements, Union Street Hillclimb, Pike Street Connection/Hillclimb Assist.
- Colman Dock + Pier 48—Washington Street Boat Land, Colman Dock Part I (Pier Upgrade + Reconfiguration), Colman Dock Part II (Sunlawn, Fold + Retail Gallery), Firehouse Slip, Fire Station No. 5 Rebuild, Yesler Way Pedestrian Bridge to Colman Dock, Pier 48 including Pioneer Square Beach + Seawall South of Washington Street.
- Belltown—Blanchard Street Overlook, Bell Street Extension, Belltown Balcony.
- North Waterfront—North Alaskan Way Part I (Temporary Lane), Seawall Phase II (Virginia to Broad), North Alaskan Way Part II (Final Reconstruction Incl. Promenade), Vine Street Pedestrian Bridge, Battery/Vine/Clay/Broad Overlooks + Getdowns.
- Transit + Parking—North-South Transit on Alaskan Way, Trolley Bus Connection (Colman Dock), Replacement Parking.
- A few important notes surrounding the Waterfront Seattle project timing:
 - This schedule shows when construction *could* begin for certain project elements; however,
 - It is not a phasing plan and we have set financial constraints aside.
 - The schedule is driven by the completion of bored tunnel; we assume it opens at the end of 2015.
 - This also assumes that we start construction of the seawall in late 2013 or 2014.

Long Term Stewardship Subcommittee Co-Chairs, Members & Advisors:

• This provides good context. Have you estimated costs for anything yet? There are concerns about the road being two lanes near the cruise ship area, which is difficult for buses, taxis and limos.

City Staff:

• We are working on cost estimates, which are forthcoming; we've spoken with the cruise ship industry and explained that there is not enough traffic to justify four lanes near that particular area.

Discussion of 2012 Schedule + Upcoming Strategic Plan Workshop & LID

*Committee reviewed and referenced documents including: 2012 Central Waterfront Committee Schedule – Long Term Stewardship Subcommittee.

City Staff:

- Our schedule through June 2012 has been created and a few items of note:
 - We're working on a strategic plan for the Waterfront and will hold a series of workshops;
 - We'll have a strategic plan workshop with the Finance & Partnerships Subcommittee in early February;
 - We'll be looking at questions about maintaining, operating and the non-profit entity managing the space;
 - We'll hold another joint meeting in mid-February when HR&A Advisors will tentatively present to us;
 - It's important to really think about any M&O issues, such as common themes and design features.
- We also have a lot of work to do with the Downtown Seattle Association;
- We'll discuss that in more detail at our next Finance & Partnerships Subcommittee meeting.

- The City also issued an RFP for an LID consultant last week to begin looking at that analysis;
- o This includes identifying downtown property owners and potential boundaries.

Long Term Stewardship Subcommittee Co-Chairs, Members & Advisors:

• We haven't yet had a lot of great ideas about elements that will produce revenue to cover costs; in the days and weeks ahead, that will be a challenge for this Subcommittee.

Additional Items

Long Term Stewardship Subcommittee Co-Chairs, Members & Advisors:

- The Mayor has reached out to and met with all members of the Executive Committee to express his personal engagement and interest in this process; I think it was a positive conversation.
- His view is the seawall is first priority in terms of importance and timing and, while he expressed some concern about how the public might fund various project elements, he also expressed a willingness and invitation to all parties to sit together and figure everything out.