

design 2012 Annual Report

The Seattle Design Commission: champions design excellence in the public realm; promotes design practices that serve as a catalyst for innovative sustainable development, equal opportunity and social inclusion; and ensures that the city's built environment makes Seattle a world-class example of sustainable urban design that strengthens community, public life and economic prosperity.

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Project Reviews 62 CIP Capital Improvement Projects ROW Right-of-Way Projects Major Projects 25 Plans, Policies and Programs

Estimated Cost \$8.7 billion of Projects Reviewed

Workload Hours

Staff

Commissioner Hours Project Reviews	1962 1468
Shoff House	2000

Highlights

- 1. Helped to integrate the waterfront tunnel portal areas and realize the bold vision for the tunnel operations buildings.
- 2. Worked with Sound Transit and City Council to improve light rail station design and encourage over-building where appropriate.
- **3.** Worked closely with SDOT and DPD to encourage offsite public benefits that implement neighborhood goals and plans.
- 4. Collaborated with WSDOT to create a vision for SR 520 and significantly reduce the bulk and carbon footprint of the West Approach Bridge.
- **5.** Strengthened interdepartmental collaboration and identified resources to infuse tangible community benefits into the longawaited Mapes Creek infrastructure project.
- **6.** Worked to increase the quality of design in design build projects.

