

Transit Operations and Accessibility Questions

PARKING WILL BE IMPACTED DURING & AFTER CONSTRUCTION AT NORTHGATE WITH THE POTENTIAL LOSS OF PARKING SPACES

What steps would be most important to helping provide non-auto access to the Northgate Transit Center? *Public comments in italics.*

1. Better local service on existing Metro routes? (11 votes)

- *Increase frequency.*
- *Increase frequency, more reliability, prioritize buses so they aren't stuck in traffic.*

2. Shuttle service from new parking lots approximately 1-2 miles from NTC?

- *Where will the parking be? Seems strange that parking will be 1-2 miles away.*

3. Improvements to local sidewalks and/or bicycle lanes to provide better walk/bicycling access? (12 votes)

- *Build a bike/ped bridge from NSCC straight to the LRT station platform.*
- *Permeable surfaces should be utilized for all sidewalks.*
- *If using bicycle lanes on 1st Ave NE, please make sure they are buffered or separated from cars and pedestrians.*
- *Please build bike/ped bridge for access from west over freeway.*
- *Safe routes called neighborhood greenways that are safe for all ages and experiences to walk and bike to station.*

4. More housing choices within walking distance of station (6 votes)

- *Build mixed-use development, towers, housing that's affordable to all.*
- *Affordable!*

5. Incentives to ride the bus, such as free ride tickets, etc. during construction? (3 votes)

- *Improve reliability of bus service and give out free orca cards*
- *Provide a good bus feeder system to the Northgate Light Rail station for Seattle residents in surrounding area.*
- *Need to beef up bus service during construction to help people get in/out during construction.*

Other Comments:

- *Take care of wetlands and creek!*
- *Do NOT build additional parking, particularly avoid any parking structures.*
- *Thornton Creek should be featured as an amenity.*
- *All parking surfaces should be permeable pavement.*
- *LID should be utilized to eliminate storm water impacts.*
- *Existing Park & Ride next to 1st Ave should be removed and wetland creek completely restored.*
- *Neither Sound Transit, nor Metro should be obligated to provide any parking either during construction, or after the station opens. Their primary mission is to provide public transit service and any and all available revenue should be allocated to such.*

CONCEPTUAL PEDESTRIAN/BICYCLE BRIDGE COMMENTS

- *Please add a protection from noise/wind/water.*
- *Pleasing, artful design is worthwhile*
- *Go under the freeway! It would get much more use.*
- *Protect the wetland!*
- *Beautiful! (cable-stayed design), 100-year opportunity.*
- *Connect the bridge directly into the platform level of the LRT station.*