Transit Service-Related Questions for the U District

1. What are Metro’s plans (and schedule) for service restructuring (including layover) related to the provision of light rail service to the U-District, Roosevelt neighborhood and Northgate?

The following questions were generated by members of the working group. These questions generally elaborate on the first question:

2. In terms of planning for transit in the U District after Sound Transit comes on line, what is planned for sure for the U District and what is in the "maybe" stages of planning- adding, dropping or changing bus routes and bus stops, putting trolleys on 11th Avenue and Roosevelt Way, eliminating parking and left turn lanes, moving the bus staging area in the 4700 block of 12th NE, etc.?

3. What are the preliminary "big idea" concepts for restructuring Metro service between Northeast Seattle and Downtown once Husky Stadium and later, 45th, Roosevelt Link Stations open? Will there be more emphasis on feeders from neighborhood to Link stations? Routes shifting onto 15th? 25th? 65th?

4. Currently so many express routes traverse the U District between various points NE and downtown, how will those change?

5. What is the planning time frame for transit service changes: is it 2014 for 2016 opening of Link service at Husky Station? As far out as 2019 for 45th, Roosevelt/65th and Northgate service?

6. Can you list all routes presently passing through or terminating in the UDistrict? Can you list the destinations of these routes and explain the plans for rerouting them once the light rail stations become operational.

7. Besides reorganizing the existing routes, what new connections are planned?

8. What are the plans for transferring between these routes and between different modalities?

9. What are the plans for moving the present bus stops to new locations?

10. How does the extended streetcar line fit into this picture? (Note: This would be a question for the City in its long-term planning.)

11. What are the plans for either relocating or connecting together the various major hubs in the U-District (Campus Parkway, UW Campus, U-District Light rail station, 11th /Roosevelt corridor)?

12. What is the bus waiting/layover area plan for after the light rail station opens?
13. How is space for bikes and pedestrians being integrated into bus stop (and other transit area) design? How can we integrate SDOT and Metro planning so that there are adequate areas for people waiting and for people passing through?