

Magnolia Bridge Replacement Project Speakers Bureau

Group/Organization: Port of Seattle Commission Meeting
Date: December 10, 2002,
Location: Port of Seattle
Team Members: Kirk Jones, Lee Holloway, Teresa Platt; Brad Hoff
Attendance: Full Commission and 25 members of the general public

Overview

Kirk Jones presented the Magnolia Bridge slideshow, describing the history of the bridge and the process developed to design a replacement facility. He described the nine surviving alternative alignments, described the project team's next steps, and answered questions from the group. The Commissioners asked that option B not be dropped from consideration.

Notes

Miller: The Port sees benefits of alternate B and urges the City to explore further what the agreement means. [Regarding newly discovered settlement agreement that the City will not connect 32nd Ave W with the Marina road].

Jones: We can get the Port and City attorneys together to look at the agreement.

Davis: The alignment chosen affects what the Port can do with the uplands, look at the long-term implications of the alignment chosen.

Edwards: The City may see that the potential development of alignment B may be worth the trade-off of this [agreement].

Molloy: Regarding C & D -- future development in the uplands and impacts to the green space are major concerns of the Port.

Nordquist: What is the seismic code design requirement?

Holloway: The simple answer is about equivalent to a 7.5 magnitude earthquake.

Nordquist: What is the existing bridge able to handle?

Holloway: Anything equal or greater than the last earthquake or in a different direction would probably bring the bridge down.

Molloy: Has the City made the consideration of tolling? Has the team talked to Metro about bus service and routes?

Jones: No construction funding packages have been considered at this point. The team has considered impacts to transit as part of the evaluation criteria.

Davis: Remember that the customers and tenants on the waterfront, existing customers and tenants, and future plans for development are important. We must make sure that the Port has options and that the City explore option B fully.

Action Items

- ◆ Arrange meeting between Port and City attorneys.

Briefing Materials

- ◆ PowerPoint slide show presentation
- ◆ Aerial photograph