RapidRide Roosevelt Project
Eastlake Community Update
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Project Description
The RapidRide Roosevelt Project will provide high-quality transit service connecting Downtown Seattle with the neighborhoods of South Lake Union, Eastlake, University District, and Roosevelt.

We’re partnering with King County Metro (KCM) to enhance transit connections and upgrade existing bus routes to Metro RapidRide service.

Project Benefits (see map on reverse)
- Provide frequent and on-time transit service
- Add more buses at night and on weekends
- Upgrade bus stops with lighting, real-time arrival info, and off-board payment
- Improve safety for all users by replacing parking with a protected bicycle lane on both sides of Eastlake Ave E
- Improve roadway conditions by repaving Eastlake Ave E
- Improve sidewalks and paths for people walking
- Add new electric trolley wire to lower carbon emissions

Schedule and Funding
- Spring/Summer 2019: Preliminary design; Outreach to community stakeholders and adjacent business and property owners
- Fall 2019: Publish Draft Environmental Assessment; Public comment period
- 2020: Finalize design
- 2021: Begin construction
- 2023-2024: Project complete

This project is partially funded by the voter-approved Move Seattle Levy and is contingent on FTA Small Starts grant funding, as well as funding opportunities from other partner agencies.

What You Need to Know
- SDOT is working with residents and businesses during project design to identify potential parking strategies on Eastlake Ave E
- Approximately 325 parking spaces are being removed on Eastlake Ave E to provide space for a protected bicycle lane and transit improvements
- Up to 22 loading zones will be relocated from Eastlake Ave E to adjacent side streets

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