

**Neighborhood Columbia City  
Implementor Transportation**

**Matrix B1-I**

**Activity** *Provide more pedestrian-oriented street lighting along the Rainier Corridor. Many areas along Rainier Avenue S are dark and intimidating, and thus deter pedestrian activity. Specific sites include the core of Hillman City and sidewalks adjacent to Rainier Playfield and the Darigold facility.*

B1-I: 1 of 1 **Sub-Activity** Extend the historic lighting on side streets (Edmonds, Ferdinand and Hudson) near Rainier.

**Sub-Act Comment(s)** Three pedestrian lights were installed in 2005 in the landmark district of Columbia City using Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. Jason Wachs 11/03/05

2004 Priority Summary: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds have been procured to purchase and install three pedestrian lights that are consistent with the existing historically approved pedestrian lights. SDOT will install the lights by the end of 2004. Dena Gazin 08/27/04

Some lighting has already been done along Rainier Avenue. This project falls below other current priorities and SCL & DoN will need to work with the neighborhood on future prioritization dependent upon Street Light lawsuit. Chris Larsen 03/12/04

SDOT/SPU drainage partnership! Nancy Ahern 03/02/04

**Target Completion** Estimated Cost N/A Status In-Progress  
**Lead Agency/Contact** Transportation; Wayne McPhillips, 206-684-5245 Priority Top

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Matrix C1-a**

**Activity** *Provide street, sidewalk, street tree, and alley improvements in existing single family neighborhoods. In addition to the Columbia City single family area (see A1-c), provide improvements on 37th Avenue S between S Genesee and S Dakota streets and 30th Avenue S. between S Alaska and S Angeline Streets.*

C1-a: 1 of 1 **Sub-Activity** Install sidewalk on Hudson Street, east of Rainier.

**Sub-Act Comment(s)** Project has been completed. (Tony Mazzella, SDOT) Jason Wachs 11/01/05

2004 Priority Summary: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds will be used to complete this project. As of summer 2004, design of project is complete. Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) crew will construct sidewalk by the end of 2004. Dena Gazin 08/27/04

In 2004 SDOT will construct raised walkway on the south side of S Hudson going one block east of Rainier. Tony Mazzella 02/25/04

**Target Completion** 2004/0 Estimated Cost \$40,000(O) Status Completed  
**Lead Agency/Contact** Transportation; Tony Mazzella, 684-0811 Priority Second

**Implementor Transportation****Matrix A1-b**

**Activity** *Provide street, sidewalk, street tree, and alley improvements in existing single family neighborhoods. A capital improvement plan for the existing single family neighborhoods should be developed in conjunction with home ownership zone strategies for new housing and preservation of existing housing. Many streets within the low and moderate income single family areas of Columbia City are in poor repair. Sidewalks, curbs and gutters do not exist or are deteriorated. Alleys are not paved or are in poor repair. Neighborhood residents do not have the resources to make improvements through local improvement districts. City investment in infrastructure would contribute to the appearance, longevity and stability of the area and could help attract new infill*

<u>A1-b: 1 of 1</u>	<b>Sub-Activity</b>	Streetscape Improvement: Tree pruning on Rainier from Genesee to Hillman City.		
	<b>Sub-Act Comment(s)</b>	Updated August 2005.		Jason Wachs 08/22/05
		Spoke to Nolan Rundquist from the City Arborists and was told that pruning work can be done on Rainier, but not for the entire mile between Genesee and Orcase. Nolan will work with Coordinator (Glenn Harris) to narrow down precise locations.		Dena Gazin 10/25/04
		2004 Priority Summary: In 2003, the Seattle Dept. of Transportation's (SDOT) arborists pruned the streets along Rainier Avenue from Andover to Genesee. SDOT crews also worked with the community to renovate tree pits in the Columbia City Business District. Due to limited funds and staffing, SDOT will not be able to prune the entire mile-long stretch between Genesee and Orcas, but they will be able to provide pruning assistance for two or three blocks. The Neighborhood District Coordinator will work with both the City Arborists office and the community to prioritize the streets to be pruned in 2005.		Dena Gazin 08/27/04
	<b>Target Completion</b>	2004/0	<b>Estimated Cost</b>	N/A
	<b>Lead Agency/Contact</b>	Transportation; Nolan Rundquist, 615-0957	<b>Status</b>	Completed
			<b>Priority</b>	Third

**Implementor Transportation****Matrix B1-c**

**Activity** *Make traffic signals more pedestrian friendly. The present traffic signal cycles on Rainier Avenue S. are so long that they cause pedestrians to be restless and cross the street illegally. Reducing the response time for pedestrian activated signals and including automatic WALK signals for each cycle will increase safety and promote pedestrian activity in Columbia City.*

<u>B1-c: 1 of 1</u>	<b>Sub-Activity</b>	Create better marking or other measures at unsignalized crossings to make it safer and easier to cross on Rainier Avenue S.		
	<b>Sub-Act Comment(s)</b>	2004 Priority Summary: Installing a marked crosswalk at some locations may actually increase the likelihood of a pedestrian-vehicle collision. This is especially true of marked crosswalks across multi-lane roads such as Rainier Avenue South. A marked crosswalk would only be installed if the number of lanes of traffic can be reduced, or in conjunction with a traffic signal. While neither of these options is feasible in or around Columbia City at this time, the Seattle Dept. of Transportation (SDOT) will reevaluate the situation once Sound Transit construction ends.		Dena Gazin 08/27/04
		Not promoting crossings at non-signalized crossings of Rainer.		Eric Tweet 04/05/04
	<b>Target Completion</b>		<b>Estimated Cost</b>	N/A
	<b>Lead Agency/Contact</b>	Transportation; Megan Hoyt, 684-5124	<b>Status</b>	Closed
			<b>Priority</b>	Fourth

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**Matrix A1-h**

**Activity** *Create angled parking on side streets within the business district core. This will help to provide more parking for Columbia City businesses. The streets include S Angeline, between 38th Ave S and 39th Ave S; S. Edmunds one block east of Rainier Ave S; S Ferdinand, on the east side of Rainier Ave S; and on S Hudson, one block west of Rainier Ave S. In conjunction with these improvements, enhance the existing angled parking area on S Hudson, east of Rainier Ave S, by providing paving and striping improvements. Ensure, however, that all parking revisions do not conflict with other recommendations, including sidewalk, landscaping, and other streetscape improvements.*

A1-h: 1 of 1 **Sub-Activity** SDOT staff will assist the Columbia City Business Association with a parking plan for the business district.

**Sub-Act** 2004 Priority Summary: Parking plan complete; Transportation (SDOT) staff will assist the Columbia City Business Association with implementing parking plan for the business district. **Dena Gazin**  
**Comment(s)** 08/27/04

Plan completed. **Tony Mazzella**  
03/09/04

**Target Completion** 2003/4 **Estimated Cost** N/A **Status** Completed  
**Lead Agency/Contact** Transportation; Randy Wiger, 684-8550 **Priority** Fifth