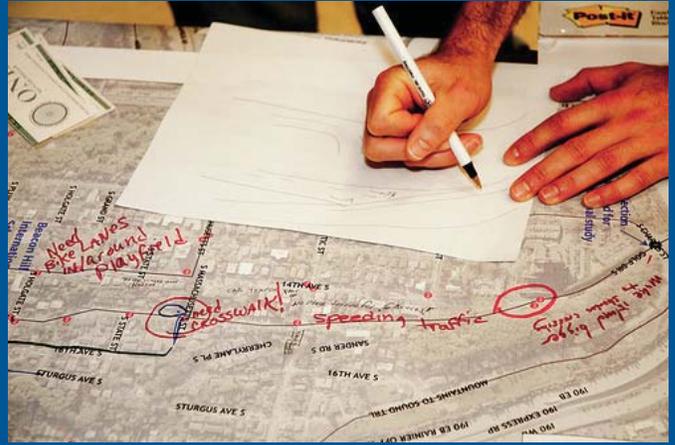


WELCOME!

Thank you for coming to tonight's Ballard Neighborhood Greenway Open House.



Staff from the Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) will introduce a transportation improvement project to the community and provide an opportunity for public comment

Please sign in and browse the information at the stations located throughout the room.

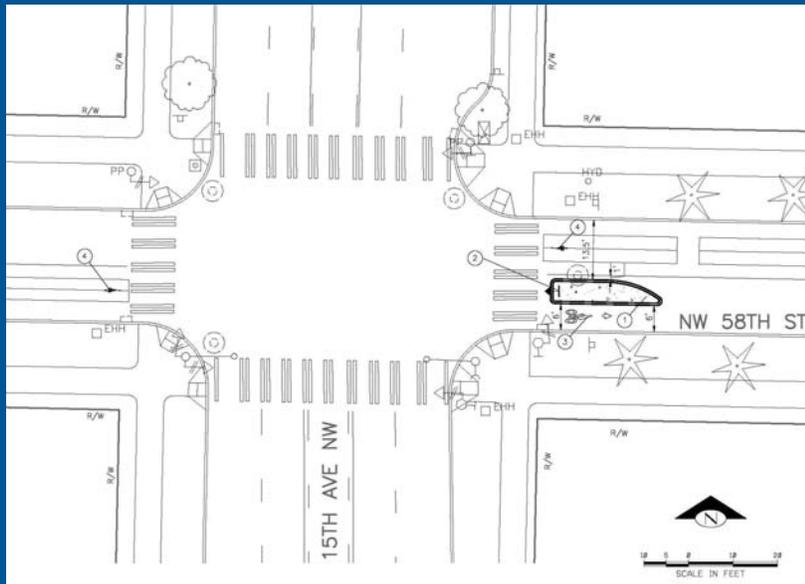
At 6:45, SDOT staff will begin a presentation to describe the project background and the specific proposals associated with the Ballard Neighborhood Greenway. At the end of the presentation, SDOT staff will be available at each of the stations to answer any specific questions you have about the proposal.

This project is locally funded by Bridging the Gap, a transportation levy approved by Seattle voters.

15th Avenue NW and NW 58th Street

Existing Conditions on 15th Avenue NW

Volume: 31,949
Speed: 37 mph Northbound;
35 mph Southbound
Crossing distance: 54' feet curb to curb
Bus Service: Route 15



Recommended Improvements

Partial Closure

A concrete barrier will be used to reduce traffic volumes entering the greenway from 15th Avenue NW. Eastbound motor vehicles will not be able to use NW 58th Street. There will be no changes for westbound traffic.

Signal Detection Enhancements

Signs and markings will be installed to indicate where to stop your bicycle in order to activate the existing traffic signal.

Seaview Avenue NW and 37th Place NW Access to the Burke Gilman Trail

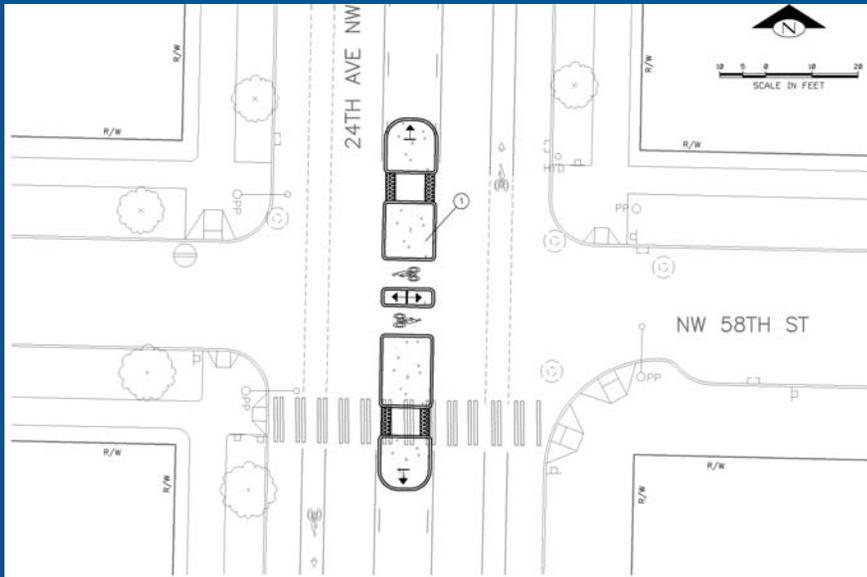


Recommended Improvements

Widened Sidewalk

The sidewalk will be widened from the current 5 feet to 10 feet wide, providing space for pedestrians and bicyclists to connect to the Burke Gilman Trail without having to cross Seaview Avenue NW. A new bike ramp will be constructed to improve access to the sidewalk from 37th Place NW.

24th Avenue NW and NW 58th Street



24th Ave NW Existing Conditions

Volume: 12,695 vehicles
Speed: 31.2 mph Southbound;
29.6 mph Northbound
Street Width: 60 feet curb to curb
Bus Service: Routes 18, 75, 81

NW 58th Street Existing Conditions

Volume: 480 vehicles (west of 24th)
989 vehicles (east of 24th)
Speed: 23.3 mph (west of 24th)
21.6 mph (east of 24th)
Street Width: 25 feet curb to curb



Recommended Improvements

Median Island

Install island to reduce through traffic and provide a safer place for people walking and biking to cross the street. Motor vehicles will be allowed to turn right-in and right-out.

Pedestrian Crossing

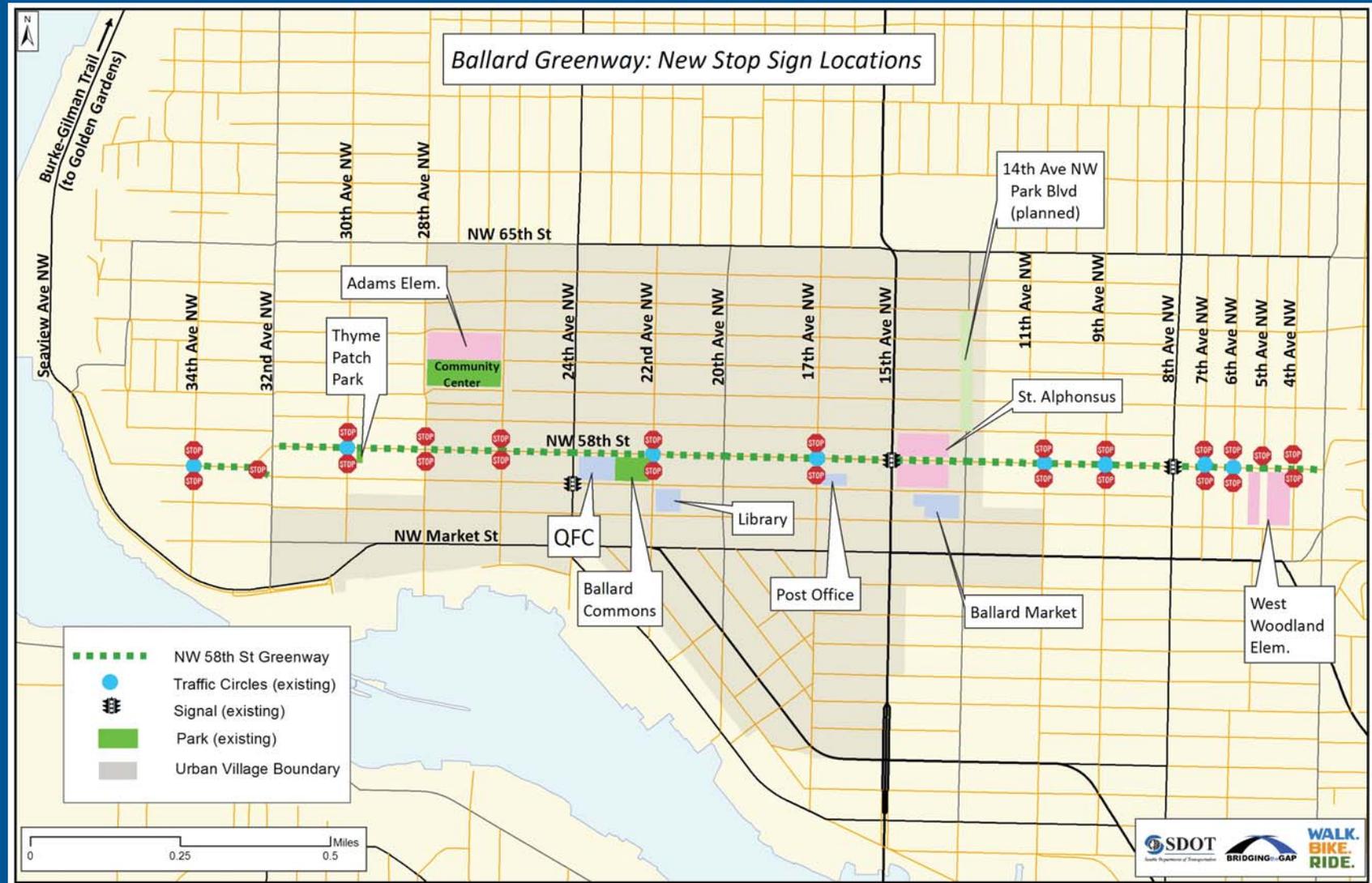
Gaps in the island will allow pedestrians to cross one lane of traffic at a time. This two-step crossing will be safer and more comfortable, reducing conflicts with turning traffic and providing a refuge between travel lanes. Conflicts between pedestrians and turning vehicles will be reduced. Signs will be upgraded to current standards to improve visibility.

Bicycle Crossing

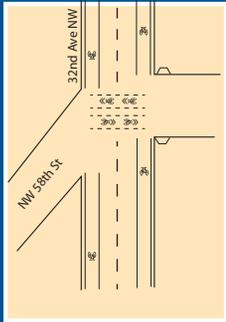
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Traffic Control Along the Greenway

Stop signs will be added at non-arterial intersections where traffic is crossing the Greenway, including at intersections with traffic circles.

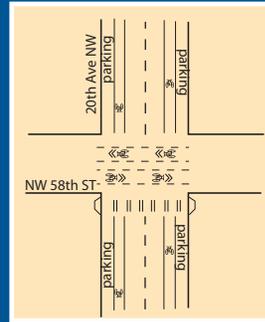


Minor Arterial Crossing Improvements



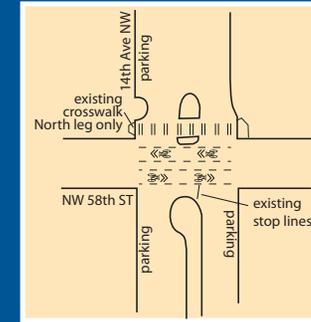
32nd Avenue NW Existing Conditions

Volume: 3,960
Speed: 34.7 mph
Crossing Distance: 30'
Bus Service: Route 17



20th Avenue NW Existing Conditions

Volume: 5,628
Speed: 34.0 mph
Crossing Distance: 46'
Bus Service: none



14th Avenue NW Existing Conditions

Volume: 5,138
Speed: 29.3 mph
Crossing Distance: 36'
Bus Service: none



Recommended Improvements

Crossbikes

These are similar to crosswalks, except they designate where people who ride bikes will be crossing the street. They also serve to remind drivers to expect to see bicyclists and will be accompanied by signs at the crossing and in advance of the crossing.

A new marked crosswalk

will also be added on the south side across 20th Ave NW.

Wayfinding Signs

These are signs that let people know where and how far the neighborhood connections are located such as the library, light rail station, schools and parks.

Neighborhood Greenway Signs

These are signs that are placed along the greenway that let people know they are on the greenway. These signs are also used on streets with bicycle facilities to let them know they are about to cross a greenway.

8th Avenue NW and NW 58th Street—Future Signal Improvements

8th Avenue NW Existing Conditions

Volume	11,881
Speed	34.4 mph
Crossing Distance	54'
Bus Service	Route 28

NW 58th Street Existing Conditions

Volume	328
Speed	24.3 mph
Street Width	25'



Recommended Improvements

There is an existing signal that facilitates crossing on the south side of this intersection. However, in order to use it, one person must go to the south side and press a button located on the sidewalk.

No improvements will be made to the signal in 2012. SDOT and the Ballard Greenways organization are actively seeking additional funding to upgrade this signal in order to better accommodate pedestrians and cyclists travelling along the greenway.