Project Overview
We’re creating a better bus street on Delridge Way SW to prepare for the new RapidRide H Line coming in 2021. That means we’re rebuilding parts of the street, completely changing how the lanes are laid out, and making walk/bike connections so you can get to better bus service safely.

The RapidRide H Line will upgrade the existing Route 120, which is one of King County Metro’s busiest routes, and extend it farther north to South Lake Union. RapidRide buses will come more often and be more reliable, while increasing service on nights and weekends. The upgraded line will decrease travel times by 10-15% between South Lake Union and Burien.

Today, 34% of households along the route don’t own a car, making public transportation a critical way for people to get to work, school, activities, and essential services. By 2035, we estimate daily boarding on RapidRide H to increase from 5,200 to over 7,000 a day.

The City of Seattle is partnering with Metro by rebuilding Delridge Way SW to make improvements for people walking, biking, and taking RapidRide. This includes rebuilding damaged streets, making pedestrian improvements, and adding special bus lanes signals to help prioritize transit. New bus stations will be spaced apart to improve service, and will include new shelters, lighting, ORCA card readers, and real-time arrival displays.

Project Schedule

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RapidRide
Public transit is an important part of how we will meet the diverse needs and priorities of our rapidly growing region. The City of Seattle and King County Metro are working to expand Metro’s RapidRide transit network to meet growing demand for transit and support access to public transportation that is reliable, fast and on-time.

RapidRide buses get you to your destination faster. They move more and stop less, getting a boost from bus-only lanes, priority bus signals, and street improvements. Buses are equipped with three sets of doors for all-door boarding and exiting and ORCA card readers at the station for easy payment and on-time arrival information so you know exactly when your next bus will arrive.

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Conceptual design of SW Henderson St shelter.
Delridge Way SW: A better bus street
Levy to Move Seattle dollars will help remake and reimagine what Delridge can be for everyone in the neighborhood. We’re committed to getting people walking and biking around the neighborhood and to new bus stops.

Our Delridge Way SW street design includes:
• New bus lanes to sail past traffic
• New bus signals to hop to the front of the line at red lights
• New planted medians to green Delridge and calm traffic
• New art sculptures for community placemaking
• New paving for a smoother ride and long-lasting street
• New sewer and water pipes for drinking water and wastewater
• New protected bike lanes, crosswalks, bike/walk signals, neighborhood greenway connections, pedestrian lighting, and sidewalk repair so people walking and biking can get around the neighborhood and to their bus as safely and conveniently as possible.
• Parking removal – the new design replaces several full blocks to make space for new bus and bike lanes
• Parking time restrictions where we add peak-only bus lanes that means cars have to be moved to make way for buses on weekday mornings or evenings

What To Expect During Construction
Typical construction impacts may include:
• General work hours from 7 AM to 7PM on weekdays
• Expect noise, dust, large truck traffic
• Temporary parking restrictions
• Short term water shut offs
• Driveways will be temporarily impacted
• Some nighttime and weekend work to minimize traffic impacts
• Some full closures of major intersections on the weekends
• Periodic traffic detours
• Vehicle lane shifts around work zones
• Pedestrian and bicycle detours around the work
• Flaggers to help direct traffic
• Temporary bus detours and stop relocation

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New Street Design
New bus lanes, bus signals, paving, walk/bike crossings, bike lanes, parking removal

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