OVERVIEW

Madison St BRT - RapidRide G Line is a partnership between the City of Seattle and King County Metro. King County Metro will operate service on Madison Street as RapidRide G Line.

RAPIDRIDE FEATURES

- More buses, including on nights and weekends
- New diesel-hybrid buses
- More spacing between stops and all door boarding so you get to your destination faster
- New bus shelters, lighting, ORCA card readers, and real-time arrival displays

PROJECT BENEFITS

- Improved transit travel time by up to 5 minutes in the eastbound direction and up to 30 minutes in the westbound direction
- Increased ridership, serving over 12,000 riders per day
- Station platforms are accessible and level with the bus for quick and easy boarding
- Buses will have more doors and allow riders to branch from both sides of the station
- New traffic signals so buses get to travel through intersections before other vehicles
- New art and landscaping for community beautification
- New seating for a smoother ride and longer lasting street
- New bike facilities to connect to the eastside bike network
- Improved sidewalk and crosswalk connections for people walking so they can get around the neighborhood and to their bus safely and conveniently as possible

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BUDGET AND FUNDING

This project is partially funded by the voter-approved Levy to Move Seattle, the voter-approved Sound Transit 3 (ST3) package, and state and federal grants. We are pursuing Federal Transit Administration funding to be able to deliver this project. The project budget is $121 million.

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DESIGN

We've been working with the community and agencies since 2019 to create a design that meets the needs and vision of the corridor. In early 2021, the Seattle City Council adopted the Madison Line Evaluation design, and since then the project has held two rounds of open houses in 2021 and 2022. We've had community meetings where we discussed critical intersections with Madison St, at 12th Ave and at 24th Ave. We have also continued to engage local businesses to better understand access, flooding and parking needs. Check out the updated design elements below.

DESIGN ELEMENTS:

- **Shared crosswalks** (via intersections) so people walking have easier to get to the other side of the street.
- **Nearby hybrid bus route** which reintroduces the routes to extend the corridor today with new stops.
- **New curbed bus stop** on 12th Ave between Madison St and 24th Ave.
- **Updated bus shelter stations at 12th Ave and 24th Ave** with bike share and mood lighting.
- **New pedestrian signal** at 24th Ave to help people cross Madison St to get to Seattle University from the campus.
- **New underground stormwater detention tank** on 24th Ave between Madison St and John St.

MADISON ST/12TH AVE/E UNION ST

![Aerial photo of Madison St, 12th Ave, and Union St.]

ARThUR Pl BUS LAYOVER

![Aerial photo of the bus layover station.]

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Use the form to share your feedback for the online open house. Your notes are received and will be used to prevent or foster the future design.

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CONSTRUCTION

Construction will begin as soon as 2020 and will happen in phases along the corridor to help reduce impacts to residents and businesses.

WHAT TO EXPECT DURING CONSTRUCTION:

- Noise, dust, and vibration
- Potential nighttime and weekend work
- Pedestrian detours
- Transit impacts such as delays, detours, and temporary stop relocations
- Temporary driveway and road closures
- Temporary utility shut off

CONSTRUCTION TIMELINE*:

- January 2020: Project contractor selection process begins
- April 2020: Contractor is selected to build the project
- June 2020: Construction begins in phases
- June 2022: Construction complete and service begins

*Construction timelines are subject to change.

INFORMATION FOR BUSINESSES

We are committed to working with businesses to help keep them thriving during construction. In 2017, we met with groups of businesses to hear about ways to minimize construction impacts. We realize things may have changed since then. Fill out our survey to the right so we can better understand your current needs and preferences during construction.

CONSTRUCTION PHASING & STAGING

While roadway improvements benefit the community, we recognize that it is also important to minimize construction impacts to the greatest extent possible. After a contractor is selected, we will be able to determine:

- Work schedule and working days
- Staging sites to reduce the amount of street right-of-way needed to store construction equipment
- Construction sequencing (how work will progress through the corridor)
- Traffic control plans (e.g., intersection closures and detours)

STAY CONNECTED

Sign up for email updates or test alerts (text "Madison" to 33222) to stay informed on the latest construction details. You can expect to hear from us through a variety of ways before and during construction.

Business and parking signage during detours
Test service and 24-hour hotline
Community liaison
Advance notices and regular updates
Neighborhood and property briefings
Translated materials

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BUSES

BUS FLEET

King County Metro will operate the Madison Line using Nova Hybrid buses. Nova Hybrid buses do not use overhead trolley wires. Existing trolley wires on the project area will need to be removed, so that it can continue to support trolley buses using Madison St for other routes.

The Nova hybrid buses will have multiple doors on both sides, allowing passengers to load and unload more quickly. The buses will also have both curbside bus stops and stops on a platform that runs through the center of the ladies.

STATION FEATURES

Railway platforms will include:

- Wheel shelters with lighting and weather protection
- Handicapped access compliance
- O-Train boarding
- Center platform with the bus floor on a short stop boarding
- Signs on the platform to indicate door locations

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PARKING

The project design requires removal of approximately 300 parking spaces to make room for new bus-only lanes and bike lanes.

**Parking key**

- New load zone
- Parking removal
- Intermittent parking removal
- New RapidRide station

**Survey**

Share your comments on the proposed parking and load zones:

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URBAN DESIGN

CORRIDOR ART AND PLACEMAKING

SDOT is working with the Office of Arts and Culture to enhance the urban design and streetscape along the corridor, as part of the One Percent for Art ordinance. We're working with a local Seattle artist, Ben Zamora, who was chosen to create public works of art for the Madison St corridor.

LANDSCAPING

New landscaping will create a more attractive place to walk, bike, and drive, as well as create a safety buffer between the street and sidewalks. SDOT will also plant 2 trees for every 2 trees removed in the corridor during construction.

MADISON BY BIKE

The project is improving and expanding the existing bike network to create more accessible stations and safer connections for those on bikes. Bicycle facilities and improvements included in the Madison St BRT – Maple Leaf is a Lime construction contract include:

- Protected bike lanes (PBL) on Spring St between 12th Ave and 3rd Ave
- PBL on Spring St between 15th Ave and 9th Ave
- PBL on E Union St between 15th Ave and 14th Ave
- Sharrows on 14th Ave between E Union St and Madison St
- Crossbike and bike box at Madison St and 24th Ave E

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WHAT'S NEXT

Thank you for visiting the Madison St BRT - RapidRide G Line online open house. We appreciate your feedback on the project.

The best way to stay up to date with the project and prepare for construction is to sign up for email updates. We'll provide advanced notice before construction begins.

GET INVOLVED

Have additional questions or want a briefing for your organization? Email or call the project team.

Email: MadisonBRT@seattle.gov
Call: 206-468-2780
Sign up for text alerts: Text “Madison” to 33222

SURVEY

Any additional thoughts you want to share with us?

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CHECK OUT OTHER NEARBY PROJECTS HAPPENING IN THE AREA:

- Union St Protected Bike Lanes
- 23rd Ave Vision Zero
- Central Ridge Neighborhood Greenway
- Safe Routes to School: Lowel-Meany Greenway

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