

North Downtown Mobility Action Plan



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Many Voices. One Community.

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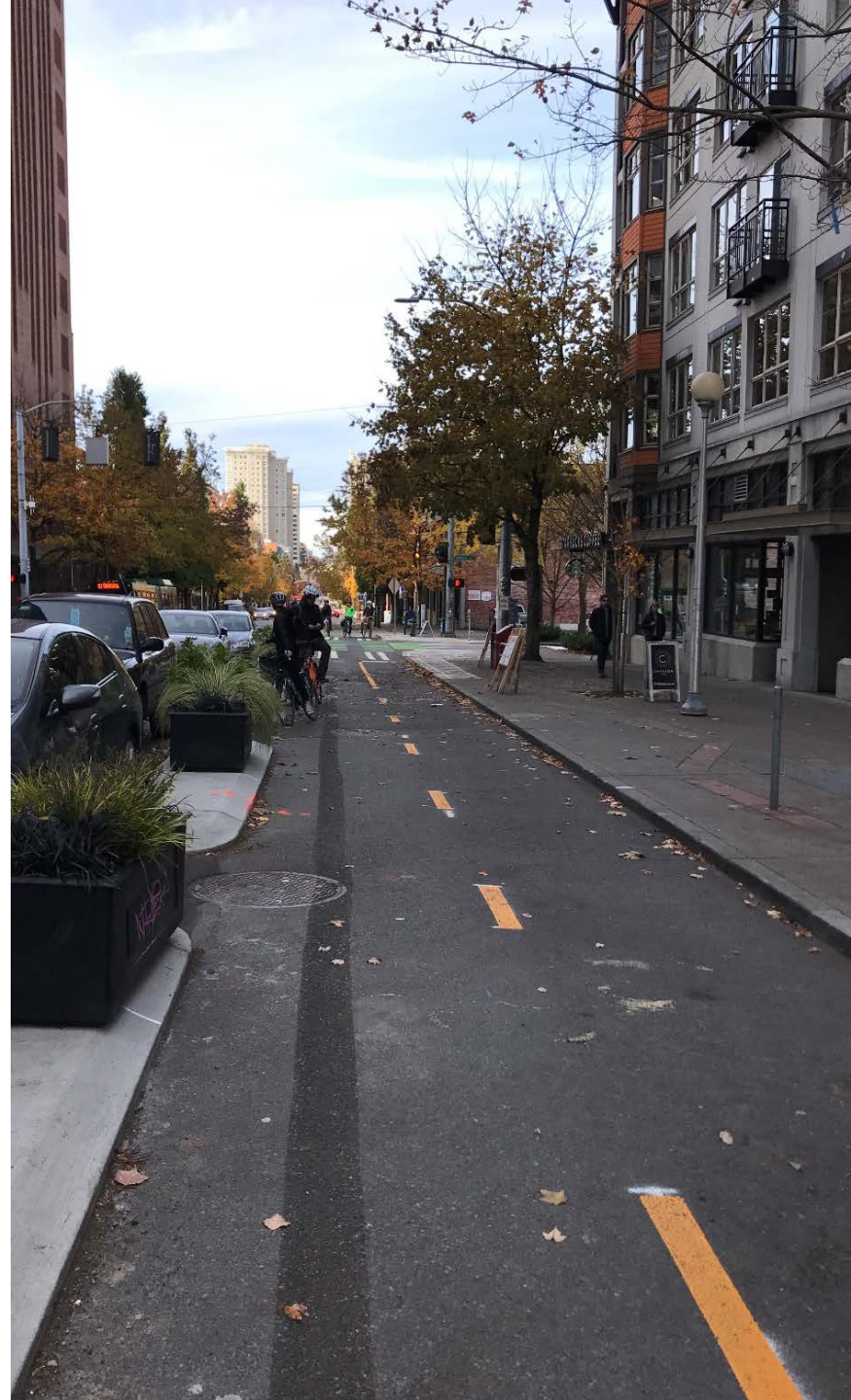
Overview

- Project purpose, context, and goals
- Guiding principles
- Mobility needs
- What we've heard
- Next steps



Project purpose

- Plan is part of the arena MOU and funded by Oak View Group (OVG)
- Efforts in collaboration with key community groups
- Direct how the *Seattle Center Arena City Transportation Fund* (established in MOU) should be spent
 - \$40M from OVG and \$5M from Port
 - Identify community priorities above and beyond SEPA mitigation



Context

- One Center City
 - Near-term plan and 20-year vision for how we move through, connect to, and experience Seattle's Center City
- Arena EIS
 - Evaluates probable adverse environmental impacts from the renovation of the Seattle Center Arena and recommends ways to mitigate these impacts



Study area



Goals

- Support public realm improvements, and access to and mobility through North Downtown
 - Uptown, Belltown, and South Lake Union
- Identify and prioritize transportation improvements for all modes
- Build on existing community plans



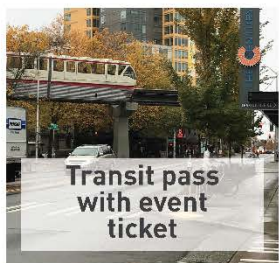
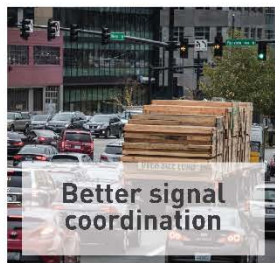
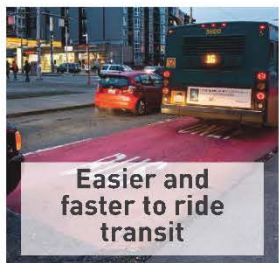
Build an evaluation framework

PRIORITIZE SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS

Increase accessibility and convenience for people walking, biking, and taking transit to support growth and accommodate Seattle Center events







What does this mean to you?

Here's what we heard from you in October:



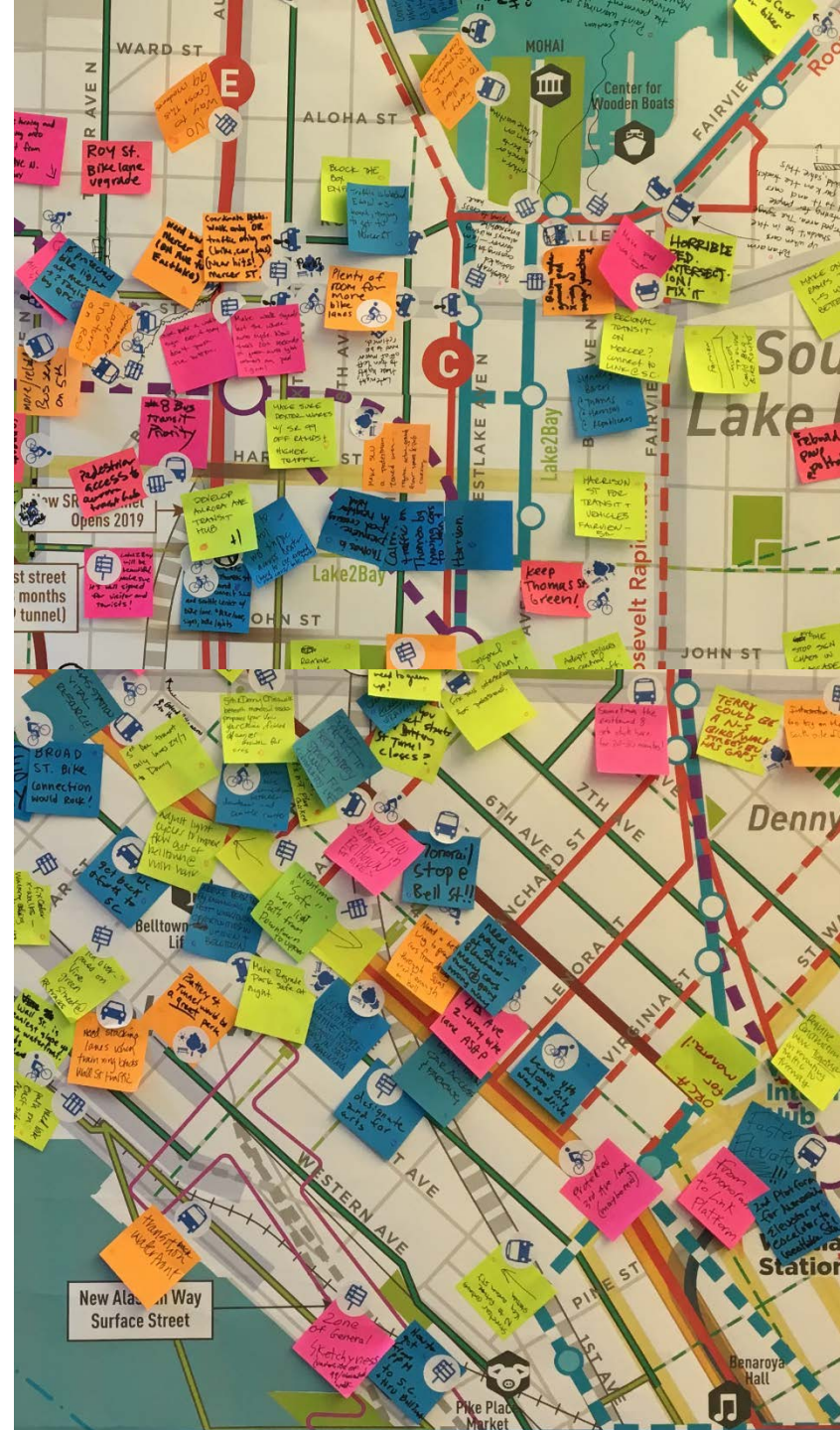
How can we measure it?

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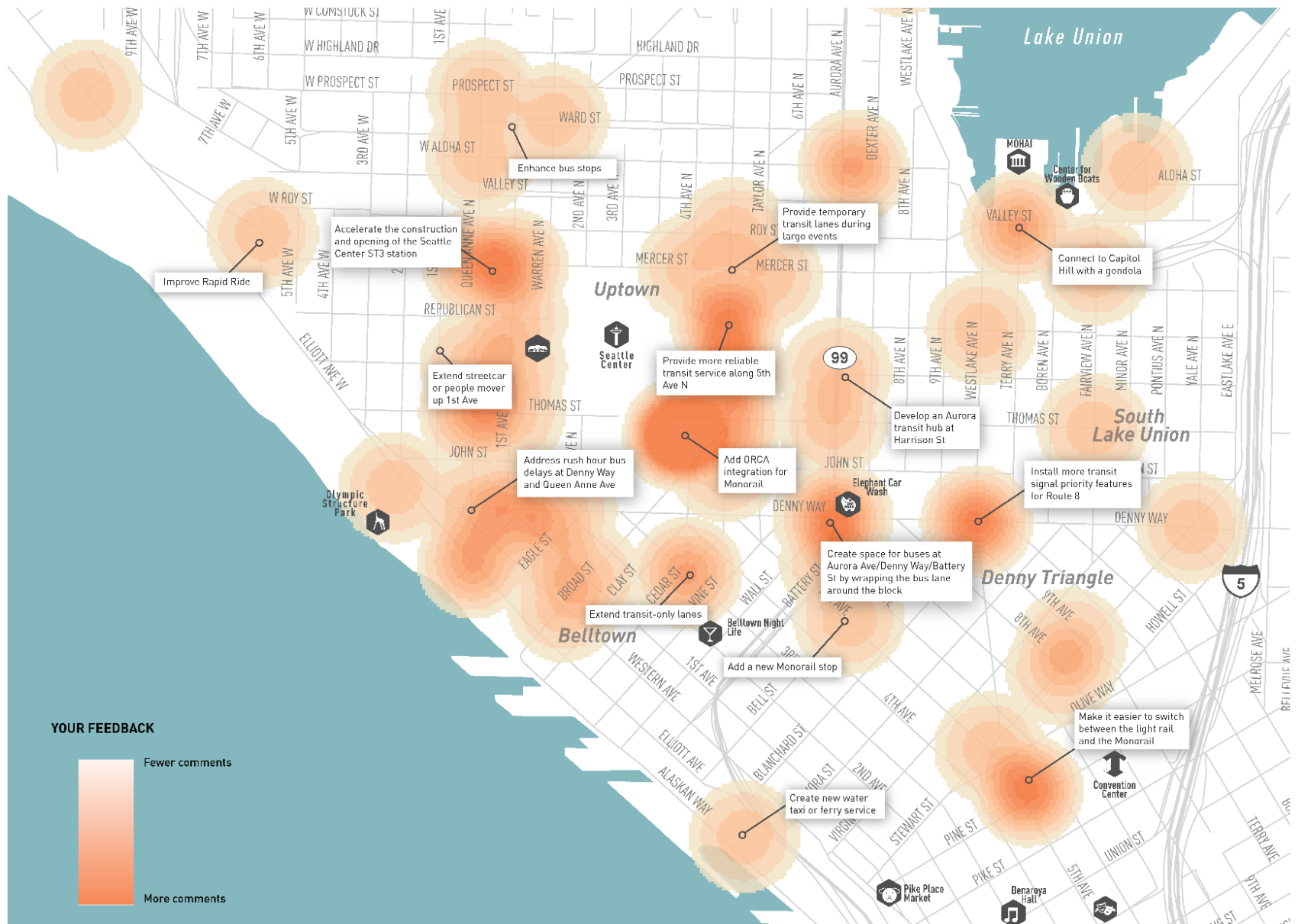
-  Improves accessibility and convenience for people walking, biking, and taking transit
-  Enhances east-west travel
-  Prioritizes pedestrian crossings in high pedestrian volume areas
-  Makes transit faster and more reliable
-  Reduces single-occupancy vehicle trips
-  Your idea here:

Mobility needs

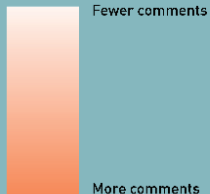
- Support new east-west connections
- Address freight needs
- Improve pedestrian access across busy streets
- Add all ages bicycling connections
- Activate the public realm with green streets



Identify gaps



YOUR FEEDBACK



Identify gaps (cont.)



What we've heard

Biking

- Parking in bike lanes
- Improve/develop protected bicycle connections
 - W Mercer Pl
 - Roy St
 - 4th Ave
 - 5th Ave/Broad to waterfront
 - Dexter Ave N to downtown
- Bicycle wayfinding through Seattle Center

Transit

- Harrison St hub
- E/W connections through SLU/Uptown
- 3rd Ave transit only to Denny Way
- Extend streetcar
- Water taxi/ferry opportunities
- Monorail
 - Orca integration
 - Infill stop

What we've heard (cont.)

Walking

- Lake2Bay and Market to MOHAI
- Improve crossings across large streets (e.g., Denny Way, Mercer)
- Cedar/5th/Denny improvements
- Improve ped signal timing
- Thomas St – Green Street
- W Mercer PI missing sidewalk

Driving and Goods Delivery

- Sync signals (Denny Way ITS)
- Improve freight connection along W Mercer PI
 - Large vehicles at curves/turns
 - Separate users
- Create designated rideshare pick-up and drop-off zones
- Revisit the restricted parking zone (RPZ) program in Uptown
- Maintain business access
- Trains blocking vehicular access
- Queen Anne Ave and 1st Ave N
 - Add bus-only lanes

Next steps



Questions?

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