62nd Ave NE alternative walkway – Sand Point Elementary 2024 Safe Routes to School Project

Seattle Department of Transportation

Background

Safe Routes to School Program funded improvements (SSTPI)

Project origin

- Safe Route to School at every SPS school
- Conducted outreach at Mercy Magnuson Place and Solid Ground
 - Families and afterschool programs use 62nd Ave NE
 - Established need to improve crossing and create designated walking space
- Alternatives Walkway along Sand Point Way NE, Sportsfield Drive NE (SPR)
 - Not comfortable routes
 - No power source for pedestrian lighting, not in ROW

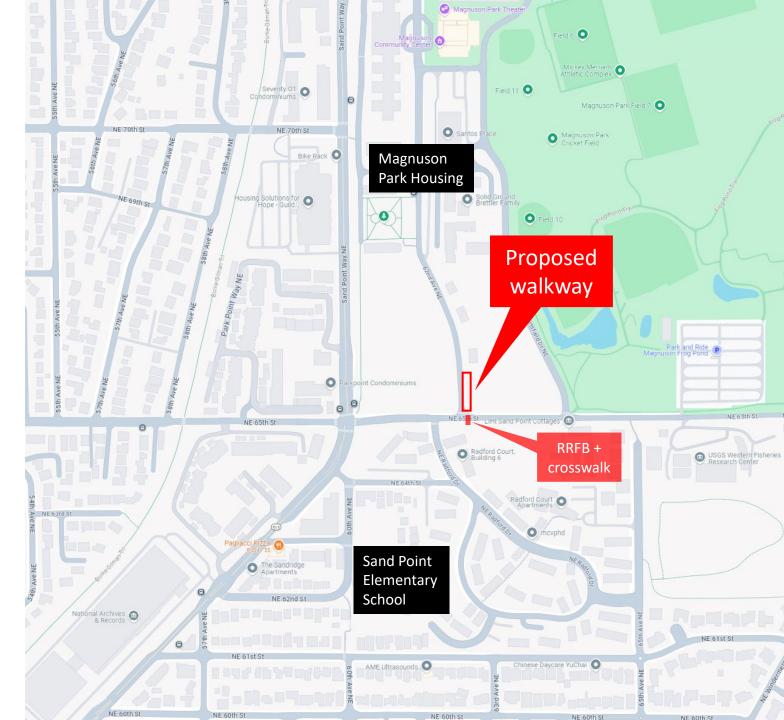


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Key Project Components

- 6' Alternative walkway using existing asphalt and wheel stops
- Connection to a new crossing improvement (Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon and Crosswalk)
- Creates a continuous Safe Route to Sand Point Elementary
- Originally a 2024 project



Existing conditions

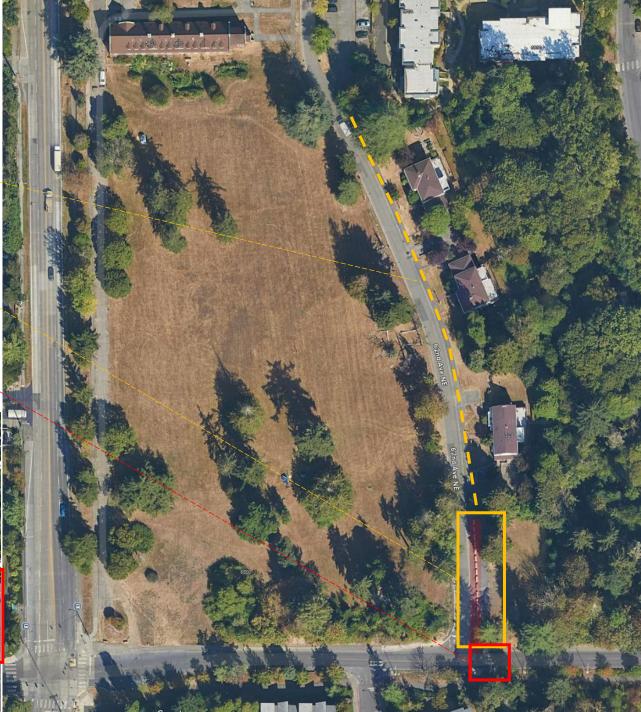
- Existing east side sidewalk
- No pedestrian facilities

Ecology blocks in parking area

• RRFB + Crosswalk (2024)

East side crossing

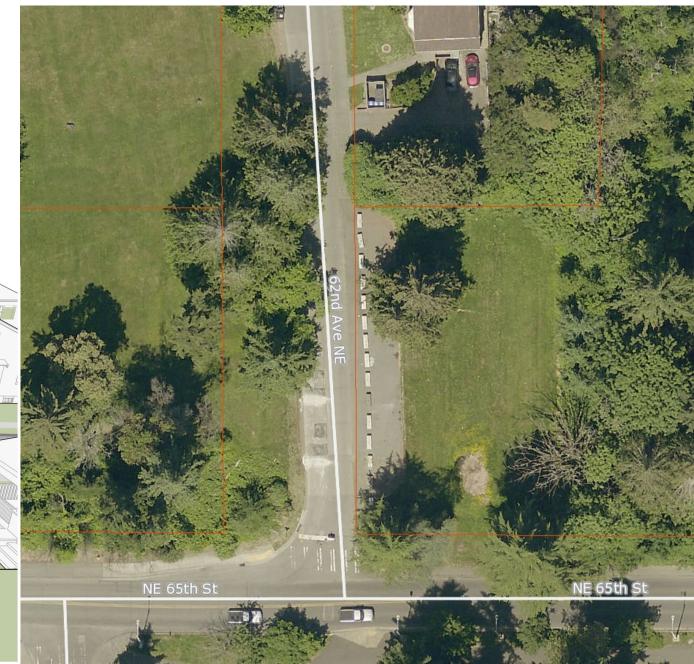




Street character

- Neighborhood Yield Street
- Minor Transit Route (#62)
- 60' ROW, (min 22' paved)
- Steep grade on west side





Proposal

- Utilize existing asphalt
- Shift ecology blocks east
- Alternative walkway with wheel stops
- Tie in to existing sidewalk and new corner



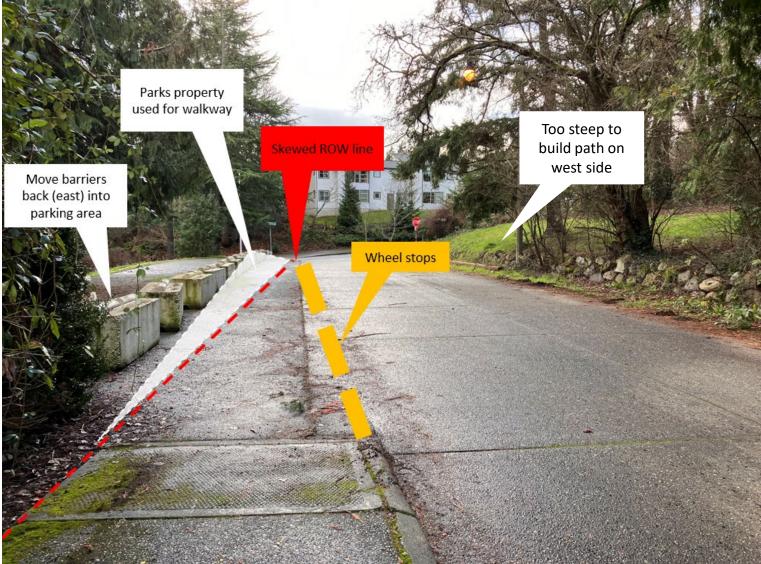
Corner will be rebuilt with ADA curb ramps (as shown)

Crosswalk striping will be standard white, matching recent improvements near Mercy Magnuson.

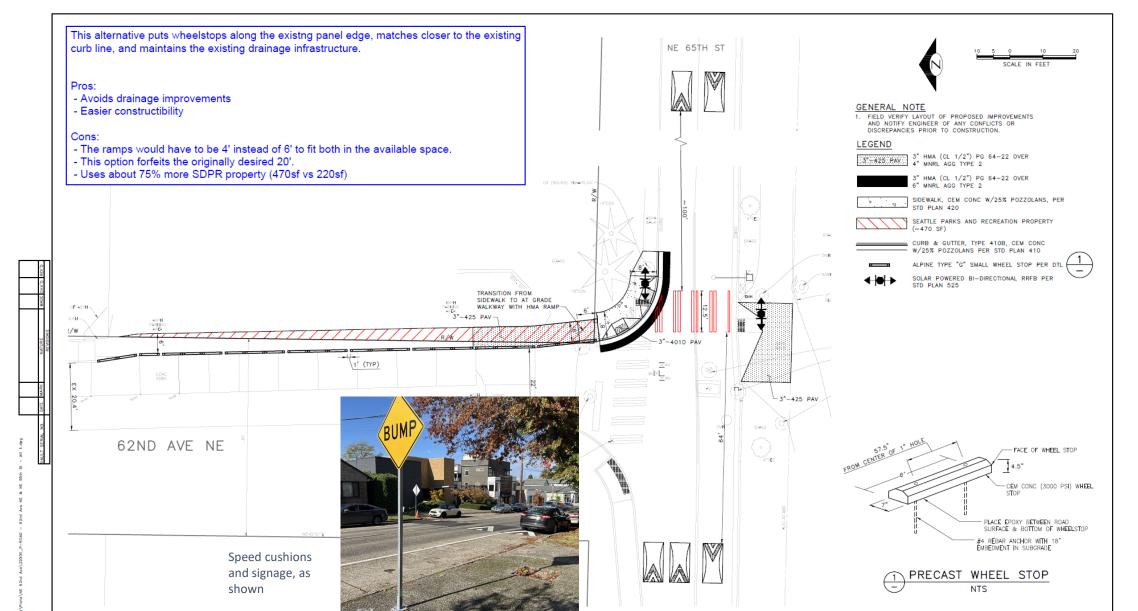




Standard crosswalk signage with RRFB and marked crossing

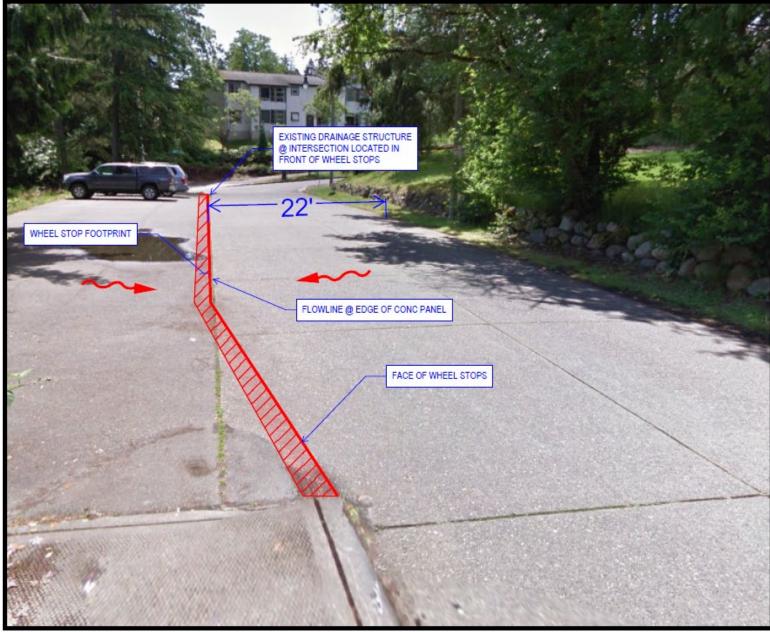


Design plan



Design concept

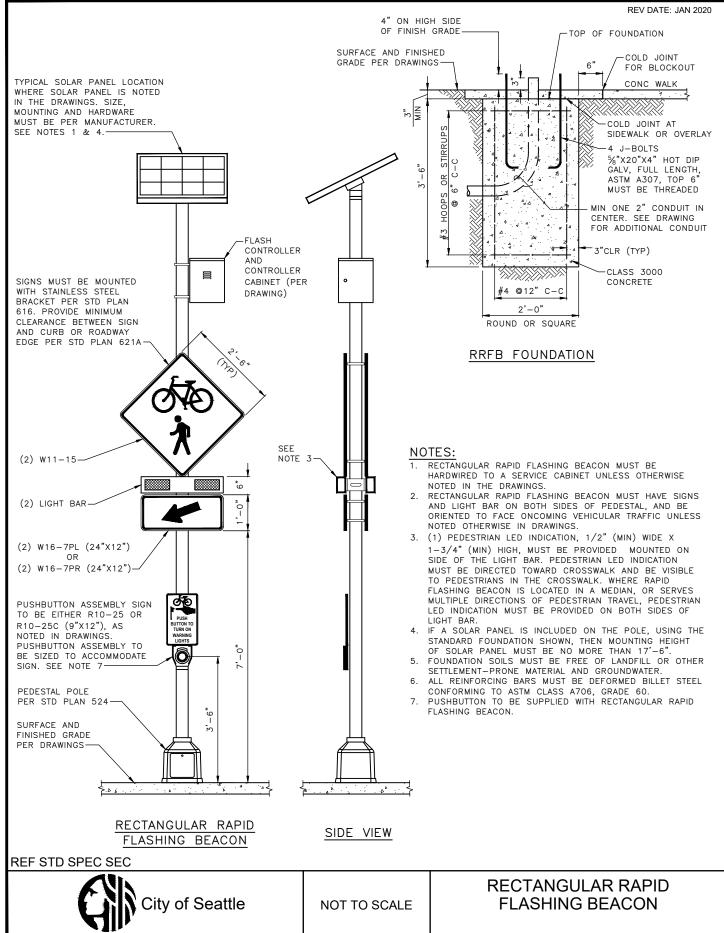
- Uses ~470 sq ft of SPR Property
- Walkway will be a consistent grade
- Avoids drainage issues
- Roadway is maintained at 22'



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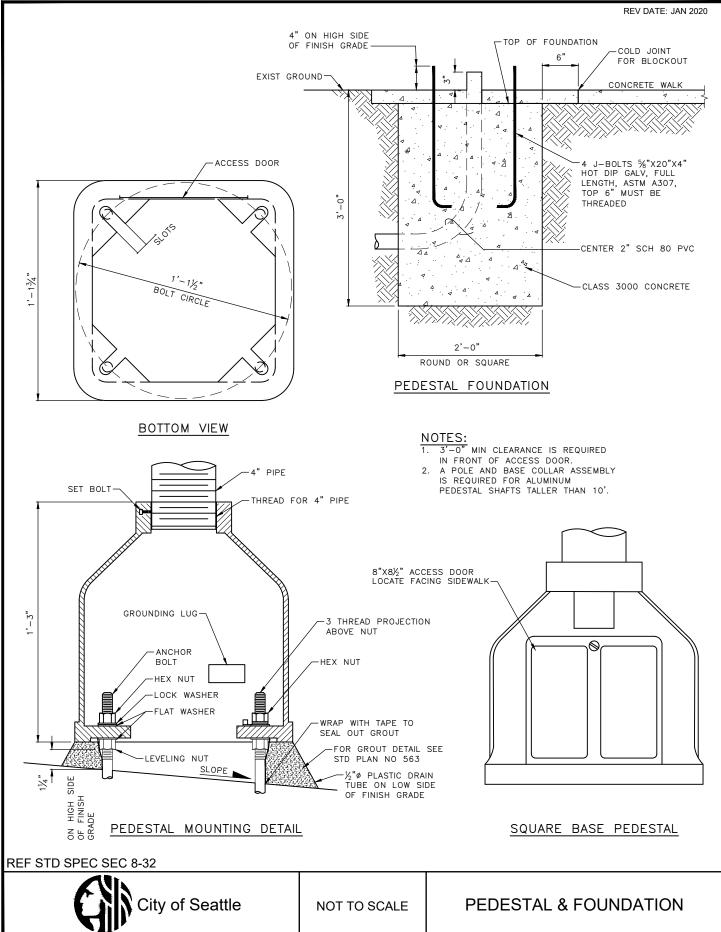
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SDOT/SPR agreement

- Received proview design review approval (Sept 2024)
- SPR Revocable use permit
- SDOT will maintain walkway
- Acknowledgement of potential for walkway removal in the future, at SDOT's expense
- Wheel stops will be the same concrete as shown
- The project will not repave the existing asphalt, but will patch and repair degraded asphalt, similar to shown.

