

Seattle Bicycle Advisory Board
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#### Our vision, mission, and core values

**Vision:** Seattle is a thriving equitable community powered by dependable transportation

Mission: to deliver a transportation system that provides safe and affordable access to places and opportunities

#### Committed to 6 core values:

- Equity
- Safety
- Mobility
- Sustainability
- Livability
- Excellence



#### Presentation overview

- Background
- Project area
- Proposal
- Next steps



## **Opportunity Statement**

The Bell St PBL will be the final connection in a bicycle network in the north end of downtown. It builds upon the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave, 9<sup>th</sup> Ave N and Westlake PBL's. The Bell St PBL will complete an "all ages and ability" network that extends nearly 4 miles through the heart of Seattle connecting Downtown to Fremont.

#### **BMP** Implementation

#### 2016-2017 Alternatives Analysis

- Compared 2-way PBL on Bell St to 1way PBL couplet on Bell & Blanchard Streets
- SDOT and stakeholders preferred 2way PBL
- 2-way PBL reflected in Bell St **Concept Plan**

Blanchard & Lenora = transit focused Bell = ped/bike focused



April 2014 BMP guidance



## **Project area**

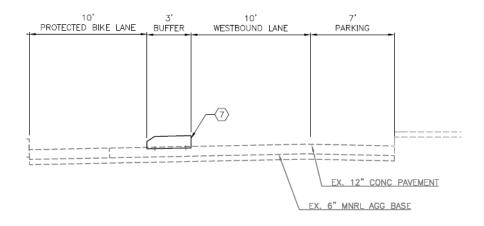
**Bell Street** between 2 Ave and **Denny Way** 

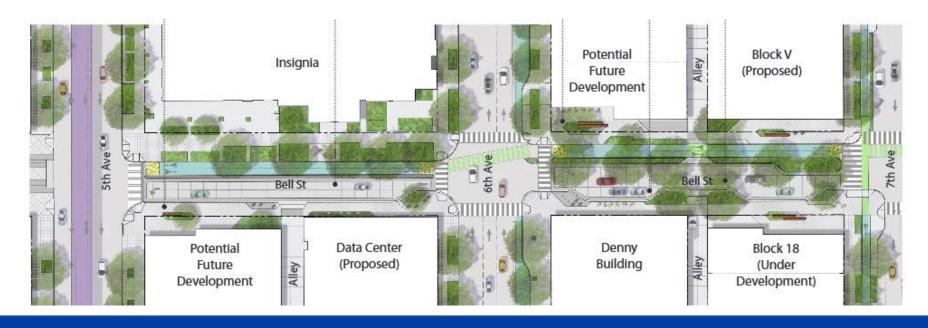




## **Proposed Scope**

- Two-Way PBL on the north side of Bell St between 5 Ave and Denny Way
  - Buffer width varies: 3' to 10'
  - Protected right turns at 7<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Avenues
  - Bicycle signals







## **Traffic Impacts**

- Traffic calming on Bell St Park between 2 Ave and 5 Ave
  - Bicyclists can ride two-way on the one-way street
  - Parks Dept owned street no striping/speed humps
  - Closure at 5 Ave and Bell St to minimize thru vehicle traffic
  - Stop signs for motor vehicles at 3 and 4 Aves



#### **Bell Street Concept Plan**

- Approved Sept 2018
- Provides design guidelines
- Sets cross-section for Bell St





#### **Transit Impacts**

- KC Metro Route 62 will be rerouted off Bell St
- New route: 7 Ave to Lenora St
- Buses will move to new route during March 2020 service change



## **Land Use Development**

- 5 private development projects currently in the SIP process
  - New development may build elements of the PBL
  - Temp PBL will be installed by Amazon between 7<sup>th</sup> and Denny late 2019
  - Will need to limit construction staging on Bell St once PBL construction starts (mid 2020)
- Coordination needed with each development



## Project Schedule / Funding Plan

Milestone	Date
Planning	2016 - 2018
Design	2019
Implementation	2020

<b>Funding Sources</b>	Amount
Move Seattle – BMP	\$1.5M
Federal TAP grant	\$1.35M
TOTAL	\$2.85M

# **Next steps**

Date	Activity/action
11/2010	1000/ Design Milestone
11/2019	100% Design Milestone
3/2020	Metro buses move off Bell St with Spring service change
6/2020	Construction expected to start
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Fall 2020	Construction complete

#### **Questions?**

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