3RD AVE BUS ONLY RESTRICTIONS ARE EXPANDING TO BLANCHARD ST

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What's happening

By Fall 2023, 3rd Ave will be restricted to buses only from 6 AM – 7 PM, 7 days a week, from Blanchard St to Yesler Way. 3rd Ave is currently restricted to buses only from Stewart St to Yesler Way. We're expanding the restriction 3 blocks north to Blanchard St.

Cars can use 3rd Ave for up to 1 block to make deliveries and access driveways or garages. People biking are still allowed to use 3rd Ave.

Benefits

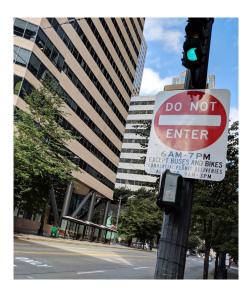
We are making this change to improve bus travel times and help buses move more efficiently. Extending the bus only restrictions to Blanchard St will complete the Third Ave Transit Corridor to include the remaining 3 blocks that many buses with frequent service or high ridership use. The change also supports the Mayor's Executive Order on climate justice in transportation by investing in bus lanes.

Schedule

We expect the change to occur by Fall 2023. Look for new signage once the expanded restrictions are in place.







Examples of signs on the 3rd Ave Transit Corridor



This map shows where we're expanding the bus only restrictions and where cars cannot travel when the bus only restrictions are in place.

