S Henderson St Stairway Project

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How to participate today





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Presentation overview

- Mission, vision, and core values
- Stairway and project background
- Project schedule and next steps
- Mark Solomon, SPD
- Alvin Edwards, DON
- Q&A





SDOT 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



Stairway Background

- SDOT owns and maintains over 500 stairways across the city, totaling over 6 miles
- Funding available for ~5 stairway rehabilitation projects each year
- Following numerous requests for new stairways, SDOT added several high-ranking new stairways and offstreet pathways to the Pedestrian Master Plan work plan





New Stairway Selection Criteria

New stairway and off-street pathway installations within unimproved right of way prioritized based on:

- Health/equity scoring communities of color, low-income communities, disabled populations, physical activity rates, obesity rates, diabetes rates
- Distance scoring Total walking distance reduced by providing stairway over using existing street network





S Henderson St Stairway

(39th Ave S to 41st Ave S)

- Scored within top 92nd percentile of unimproved right of way in Seattle
- Received recent requests for stairway connection
- Added to <u>Pedestrian Master Plan</u> <u>Implementation Plan</u> in 2017
- Connection to Rainier Beach Link Light Rail Station



Proposed stairway connection location





S Henderson St Stairway Background and Timeline

- Began planning and design in early 2019
- SDOT applied for and received Sound Transit System Access Fund grant in Fall 2019
- Reached 60% design of the stairway in April 2020
- Geotech work conducted in summer
- Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) Analysis

















Project Rendering (looking west)







Stairway Lighting

- Conducted lighting analysis
- 11 planned along the whole span
- Pedestrian scale lighting
- CPTED reviewed lighting plans









Lower outlet pedestrian connection





Schedule

EARLY 2021	Finish design and continue dialog with community
SPRING 2021	Pre-construction coordination with the community
SUMMER 2021	Begin construction
LATE 2021/EARLY 2022	Complete construction

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- Community Benefit
 - Potential placemaking opportunities
 - Access to community amenities
 - Programming







We will now move to the Q&A portion of this presentation.

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Questions & Comments?

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