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We're studying ways to improve bus reliability and serve rider needs along James Street

Routes 3 and 4 use electric trolley buses to serve Seattle Pacific University, Queen Anne, downtown Seattle, First Hill, and Madrona (Route 3) or Judkins Park (Route 4). Together, they serve more than 11,000 riders each day. Both routes are often delayed by traffic congestion along James Street near the I-5 on-ramps.

To improve their speed and reliability, we're thinking about moving them off James Street to Yesler Way, Eighth Avenue, and Ninth Avenue. This change would also give better bus connections to the Yesler Terrace community that's being redeveloped. But it would mean installing trolley wire along the new path (see map on back).

We reached out to riders in summer 2017, and many told us they support the move as a way to improve reliability. But many were concerned about how the change could affect seniors and people with disabilities or low incomes who use stops on James Street to reach housing and services. We're looking at different ways to meet our riders' needs, and expect to share new options with the community next summer.

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- Visit the project website at www.kingcounty.gov/metro/routes-3-4
- Sign up for email or text updates updates about Route 3 and/or Route 4 www.kingcounty.gov/metro/signup

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