

Design Advisory Committee – Corridor Tour Plan

Overview

In order to take an up-close view of the Westlake Avenue N corridor and examine design and parking needs, the Design Advisory Committee will join SDOT, Toole and EnviroIssues staff on a project area tour.

Tour details

- **Date:** July 14, 2014
- **Time:** 5 to 7:30 PM
- **Location:** Meet on the west side of the Lake Union Park pedestrian bridge at 5 PM and walk to north end of corridor with stops along the way.

Load onto an Argosy Boat at Morrison’s fuel dock at 7 PM and unload at the south end around 7:30 PM.

- **Food:** Sandwiches and cookies will be provided on the Argosy Boat



Tour meeting location

Tour locations and topics

The tour will travel from the south end of the corridor at Lake Union Park to the north end at Diamond Marina. The tour will stop at the following locations and evaluate the noted issues:

Stop 1 (5:10-5:30 PM): AGC/Kenmore Air/Argosy/Rock Salt – Highland Drive intersection

- a) Complex intersection with multi-modal traffic and multiple driveways
- b) High bicycle/pedestrian volumes from all directions
- c) Cars queuing for the stop light and Starbucks drive-through
- d) Need to accommodate tour bus parking/unloading and turning movements
- e) New development to the west may increase turning volumes
- f) Access to bus stop on Westlake Ave



Stop 2 (5:40-6 PM): China Harbor, Safe n' Sound Swimming, Westlake Landing (2046), Seattle Scuba – south of China Harbor

- a) East-west pedestrian activity between parking lot and businesses
- b) Tour buses bring many pedestrians to China Harbor
- c) Very short-term parking needed for Safe 'n Sound visitors
- d) Right-of-way usage

Stop 3 (6:10 to 6:30 PM): Blue Water Yachts/Lake Union Crew/ Pacific Coast Yacht Service

- a) Need for loading zones/truck parking to load and unload tools/materials/rowing shells and large equipment
- b) Parking spaces need to accommodate large vehicles
- c) Some business activities may block current path or parking lot for a set time period (fueling, moving boat trailers, boats)
- d) Right-of-way usage

Stop 4 (6:40 to 7 PM): Diamond Marina/Morrison Fueling – Driveway #14

- a) Conflicting bike and car movements
- b) Bike facility encourages non-compliance– 90 degree turns come as a surprise, some bikes “jump” the curb rather than maneuvering the turns
- c) Topographic challenges – driveway slopes to the east and to the south
- d) Lack of predictability
- e) Fuel dock loading, large truck access

Tour attendees

The tour will be limited to DAC attendees and project staff so that speakers can be heard and attendees can have a productive dialogue. Portable amplification is available.

EnviroIssues staff will provide a summary to share on the project website following the tour.

Design Advisory Committee

- Warren Aakervik, freight interests
- Martha Aldridge, Lake Union Park users
- Andrew Austin, non-vehicular commute trips
- Devor Barton, pedestrian interests
- Karen Braitmayer, Westlake Ave North business owners
- Dave Chappelle, Lake Union floating home and live-aboard interests
- Thomas Goldstein, Cascade Bicycle Club
- Amalia Leighton, transportation engineering
- Sarah McGray, bicycle interests
- John Meyer, air/water transportation/tourism
- Martin Nelson, Westlake Stakeholders Group
- Peter Schrappen, Lake Union marina operator/boat moorage tenant interests
- Cam Strong, Westlake Stakeholders Group

SDOT

- Dawn Schellenberg
- Sam Woods
- Mary Rutherford
- Mike Estey
- Barbara Lee

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- James Kelly

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