PURPOSE AND VALUES

Our Purpose
As stewards and regulators of land and buildings, we preserve and enhance equity, livability, safety, and health of our communities.

Our Values
• Respect
• Quality of work
• Effectiveness
• Integrity
• Service
SEATTLE IS GROWING

POPULATION
• 2010 Census: 608,660
• 2018 estimate: 730,400 (+20% in 8 years)

EMPLOYMENT
• 2016 estimate: 567,000 jobs
• Over the next 20 years, growth of 115,000 jobs (+20%)
PERMIT INTAKE VALUE AND VOLUME

2016 and 2017 were two of the largest recorded volume and value totals in the last 20 years, even when adjusted for inflation.

2017
Permit Count: 10,459
Intake Value: $4,260,345,788
Issuance Value: $5,050,426,181

2016
Permit Count: 10,786
Intake Value: $6,747,986,560
Issue Value: $3,723,829,604
BUILDING PERMIT INTAKE 2007-2017

Permit Count

Year:
- 2007
- 2008
- 2009
- 2010
- 2011
- 2012
- 2013
- 2014
- 2015
- 2016
- 2017

Permit Count:
- 1,000
- 2,000
- 3,000
- 4,000
- 5,000
- 6,000
- 7,000
- 8,000
RESIDENTIAL UNITS

Residential units reported in the year the construction permit was issued.
(Includes units completed and those that are permitted, but not yet built.)
# NATIONAL CRANE TALLY

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Source: Rider Levett Bucknall Crane Index
SDCI involvement in transportation

• Mitigate transportation impacts
• Permit conditions
• ROW improvements or contributions
• TMPs—in some neighborhoods required
• TMPs—prioritize non-SOV
• TMP examples: transit incentives, parking management, vanpool/carpool, bike programs, fairs
• Property managers play a huge role
Strategies to Move to and through Downtown

Period of Maximum Constraint and the Permanent Viaduct Closure
2018-2023
What you need to know

How we get around is about to change

Alaskan Way Viaduct permanently closes as early as this fall

We’re working with our partner agencies, businesses, commuters, community members and you to prepare

Over the next five years private and public construction projects will continue to change how we move

You can help by being informed, being flexible, and changing how and when you travel

Let’s start by getting you up to speed with what is happening, when, and what we can do together…
Major projects in the Center City 2018-2024

PERIOD OF MAXIMUM CONSTRAINT

2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 - 2024

September 12, 2018
As soon as fall 2018: SR-99 Viaduct closes and the tunnel opens

- Permanent Viaduct and Battery Street Tunnel closure
- As soon as this fall
- SR-99 tunnel will open three weeks later – significant traffic impacts for six weeks
- Viaduct will be removed in 2019
- Impact: Increased traffic on I-5 and downtown surface streets
- Information: http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Projects/Viaduct/realign99
Realign 99 impacts on city streets

SR 99 closed
Duration: Approximately three weeks

One lane open in each direction at this location

Closure begins at West Seattle Bridge
Realign 99 impacts (2016 closure)

- Extensive delays on some bus routes
- West Seattle Water Taxi ridership doubled
- Train ridership increased
March 2019: Seattle Transit Tunnel for light rail only

- Supports light rail expansion and WSCC addition
- Brings routes 41, 74, 101, 102, 150, 255 and 550 to downtown surface streets
- Adds 80 buses per peak hour (both directions) for 15,000 passengers
- Impact: slower travel times for all modes
- Opportunity: Improved speed and reliability for light rail
- Information: http://metro.kingcounty.gov/tops/tunnel/
How will you be impacted?

If we do nothing…

- 90K travelers using the Viaduct today will need to find another route
- Longer travel times and less reliable travel for bus riders and vehicle drivers
- More passengers waiting on already busy sidewalks
- Added delay and increased costs for freight/goods movement
- Impacts to everyone who comes downtown
The City’s 5 pillars for downtown mobility

- Make the best use of the streets we have
- Invest in Transit
- Reduce drive alone trips downtown
- Manage the public right-of-way
- Coordinated, regional communications
- Build mobility and pedestrian projects
- Ask for the public’s help
Make the most of the space we have
Highlights of SDOT’s actions during Viaduct closure

- Transportation Operations Center staffing - 24/7
- Daily communications coordination with WSDOT and partners
- Real-time construction and traffic information sharing with Google Maps, Waze, TomTom
- Temporary parking restrictions to add travel lanes
- Temporary permit revocation for construction activities in streets
- Uniformed police officers deployed at key transit intersections
- Supporting Metro: temporary bus staging, carpool, park-and-rides, new transit routes through south downtown
Invest in transit

- Add peak and shoulder bus trips to key metro routes (September 2018)
- Extend transit priority hours on 3rd Avenue (August 2018) and add off-board fare payment (Spring 2019)
- Expand access to ORCA (on-going)
- Build a new transit pathway on 5th/6th Avenues (March 2019)
- Improve traffic signals on 2nd and 4th Ave to speed buses and reduce conflicts (now)
Reduce drive-alone trips into downtown

Tools

- Develop improved connections to transit from bikeshare and Uber/Lyft
- Provide telecommute or flexible scheduling support
- Encourage employer engagement and consultation
- Leverage investments in transit

Goal: fewer drive-alone trips during the most congested times

- 2018: 1,200 fewer peak hour trips
- 2019: 3,000 fewer peak hour trips
Let people know!

- Targeted engagement to downtown and regional stakeholders, businesses, employers, employees, residents, visitors, etc...
- Briefings
- Transportation Fairs
- Website, blog and social media
- Media
- Regular partner coordination on information to communicate
Build mobility and pedestrian projects – One Center City

- $30M joint investment in projects (2017-2024)
- Focus on need to keep transit riders moving at current or improved speeds
- Includes 5th/6th transit pathway, signal improvements, all-door boarding on 3rd Avenue, public realm enhancements
- Pilots strategies for urban goods access
Employers & Property Managers

- **TAKE ACTION.** We can’t afford not to.

- **GET HELP.** Commute Seattle provides FREE support to all companies to cope with closure (SR99@commuteseattle.com)

- **APPLY TOOLS.**
  
  Amp up all your programs.
  - Increase telework (policies)
  - Flex-time (policies)
  - Compressed work week (policies)
  - ORCA Passport / increase transit (invest.)
  - Make biking inviting (storage, showers)
  - Form more vanpools or carpools
  - Invest in a fleet of bikes/e-bikes
  - Create a bikeshare benefit for your employees
  - Become familiar with park-and-ride options
Compressed Schedule and Telework

- **Employee Benefits**
  - Reduced stress from commuting
  - Fewer distractions
  - More comfortable environment

- **Employer Benefits**
  - 10-20% improved productivity
  - Continues operations in situations that affect traffic (weather, congestion, Viaduct closures…)

- **Find out more at**
  [https://kingcounty.gov/transportation/kcdot/MetroTransit/Telework/WorkSmart.aspx](https://kingcounty.gov/transportation/kcdot/MetroTransit/Telework/WorkSmart.aspx)

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**Telework:**
- Current rate downtown: 4.9%
- Target: 15%
- Some employers reach 30%!
- Saves over 1700 SOV trips per peak
- Frees nearly 3500 transit seats during the times of highest ridership demand
Stay Informed

- Sign up today for SDOT, Metro & WSDOT alerts
- Check out websites, blogs & Twitter
- Spread the word to your friends and neighbors
- And if a company needs help on anything, contact Commute Seattle at SR99@commuteseattle.com or call 206-613-3206

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Employer strategies: the big picture

City-led strategies to support employers and employees

- Share timely and useful information
- Bolster transit capacity and reliability
- Improve first/last mile and intermodal connections
- Expand telecommuting and flexible scheduling support
- Partner with Commute Seattle for employer engagement and partnership

Leading by Example: City of Seattle plans internal telework promotion starting this fall.
Private construction impacts

Buildings by Current Status and Completion Year

- Completed
- Currently Under Construction
- Demolition, Shoring and Excavation
- Lease Use Issued
- Predevelopment

2010: 24
2011: 7
2012: 25
2013: 26
2014: 10
2015: 37
2016: 27
2017: 51
2018: 7
2019: 40
2020: 15
2021: 7
2022+ or TBD: 58