# LIGHT RAIL PERMITTING ADVISORY COMMITTEE



COMMITTEE MEETING

April 16, 2014 | 3:00PM -5:00PM | ROOM 1E-108



## Agenda

#### • 3:00

- Call to Order, Approval of Agenda, Approval of March 5th, March 19th, and March 25th Downtown Segment Open House Meeting Minutes – Co-Chair Lynde
- Public Comment

#### 3:20

Station Area Planning Update – Michael Kattermann

#### • 3:50

 CAC provides oral feedback to Sound Transit on Downtown Bellevue Segment – Co-Chair Lynde

#### 4:30

- CAC introduction to the Bel Red Design and Mitigation Permit (Permit #13-135564 LD) – Matthews Jackson

#### 4:50

Public Comment

# STATION AREA PLANNING

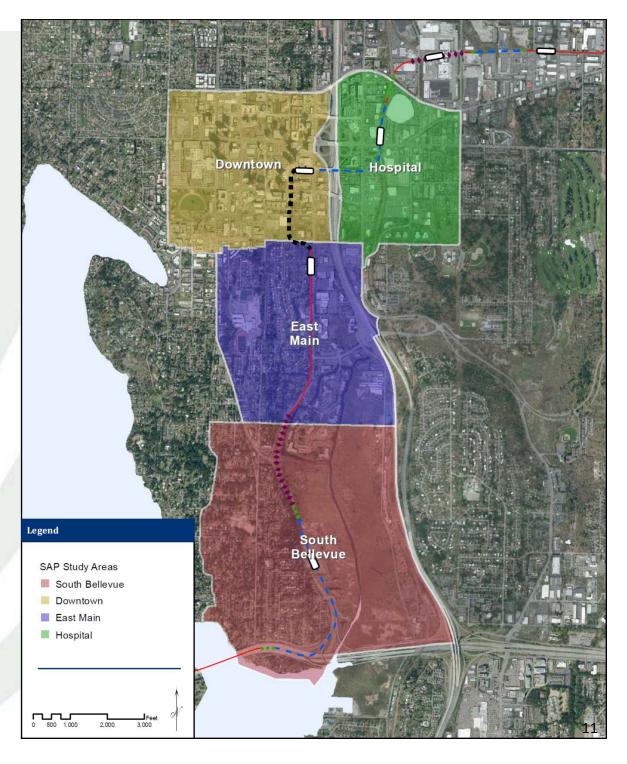
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# Station Area Planning

**Study Areas** 





# STATION AREA PLANNING v. PERMITTING

- Station area planning = everything beyond light rail project w/in approx. ½ mile
- Permitting = Sound Transit owns, builds or operates
- Avoid overlap, defer to permit process, ongoing coordination



#### **TYPICAL ISSUES**

### **Light Rail Best Practices**

- Community & neighborhoods
- Community involvement
- Elevated, at-grade, tunnel
- Station security
- Street design & operations
- Connecting people to light rail
- Construction impacts & mitigation
- Property values
- Land use

#### **Station Area Planning**

- Access to neighborhood
- Access to station
- Aesthetics & identity
- Cut-through traffic
- Redevelopment
- Safety & security
- Spillover parking (hide-&ride)



#### **OVERVIEW**

- Station access pedestrian, bicycle, transit
- Parking hide-&-ride, park-&-ride
- Traffic cut-thru, neighborhood access, arterial traffic



#### **STATION ACCESS**

## **Pedestrians**

- Maximize use of station
- 10 minute walk (+/- ½-mile)
- Safe, comfortable environment
- Way-finding





#### **STATION ACCESS**

## **Bicycle**

- Greater radius (3 miles ??)
- Safe, direct routes
- Way-finding



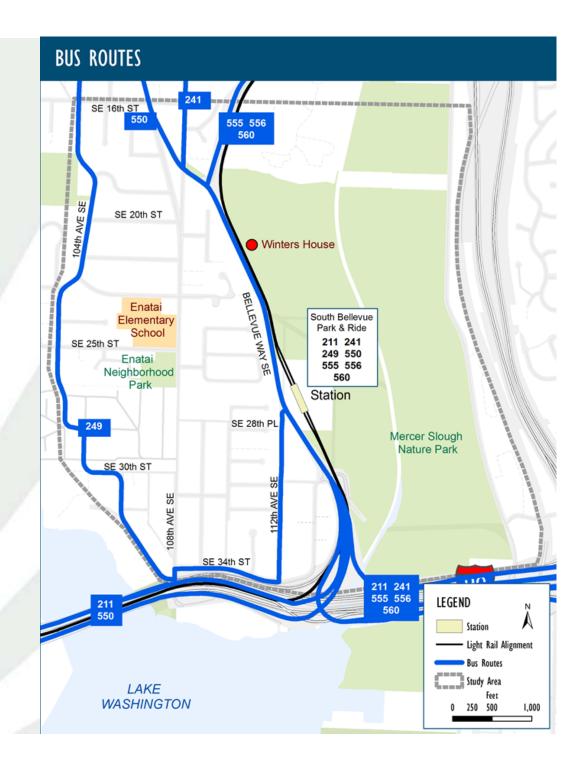


#### **STATION ACCESS**

## **Transit**

- Regional express (ST)
- Local feeder service (Metro)
- Transit Master
   Plan (Bellevue)





#### **PARKING**

### Hide-&-Ride

- Neighborhood impacts
- RPZ & enforcement

## Park-&-Ride

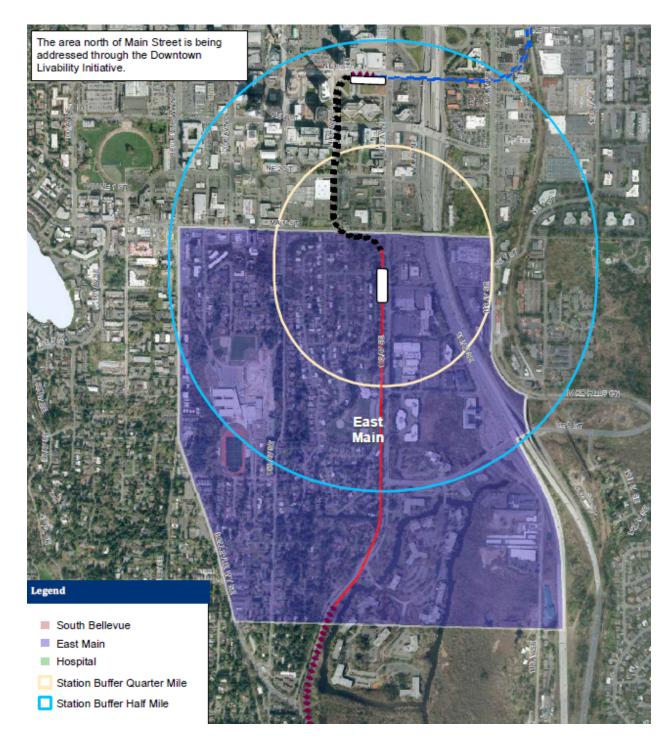
- Purpose intercept SOV trips close to origin to reduce congestion & VMT
- Part of regional transit system
- Functional & aesthetic context



## **TRAFFIC**

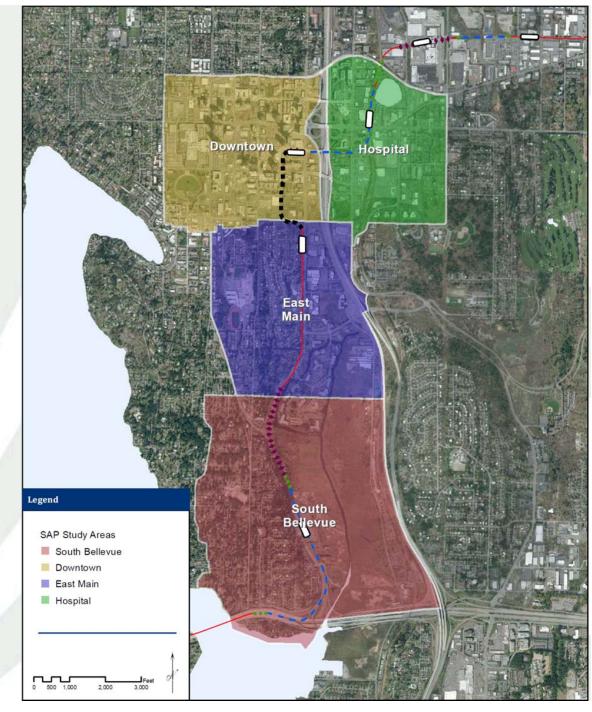
- Cut-thru traffic
  - Avoiding congestion
  - Perceived shorter (time, distance)
  - Traffic calming
  - Safety concerns
- Neighborhood access
  - Peak hour congestion
  - Limited access points





# **East Main Study Area**

- Cut-thru traffic
- Neighborhood access
- Parking
- Station access





# CAC Feedback Downtown Segment

#### **CAC Comments to Sound Transit on Major Project Elements**

Station Design and Materials

Colors

Landscaping

Weather Protection

**Ancillary structures** 

**Access** 

Railings

Other

**Next Steps** 





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RIDE THE WAVE



## Wednesday, May 7

- CAC provides ST with advisory document for East Main Segment
- CAC review of Bel Red D&M Permit application