South Tacoma and Lakewood Access Improvements

Resolution Nos. R2024-04 & R2024-05

Board of Directors 03/28/2024



Why we are here

- Consider the staff recommendations for the Lakewood Station Access Improvements project and for the South Tacoma Access Improvement project
- Board action to amend the ST2 plan and select the projects to be built

Projects Overview

Proposed improvements: Capital investments for walking, biking, rolling and busing.

Current Conditions: Parking is underutilized. Sidewalk grid around the stations is incomplete and not ADA accessible. Minimal bike access.

Target/Affordable schedules: 2030/ 2032

Financial Plan (2023\$):

- Lakewood \$54M
- South Tacoma \$56M





Parking and changed condition

Background:

- ST2 Project Templates identified parking structure as the representative project with non-motorized improvements as alternate investments
- Evaluated non-motorized and surface parking options during conceptual engineering & SEPA environmental review
- The Board is authorized to amend the ST2 plan to construct alternative improvements because of changed conditions

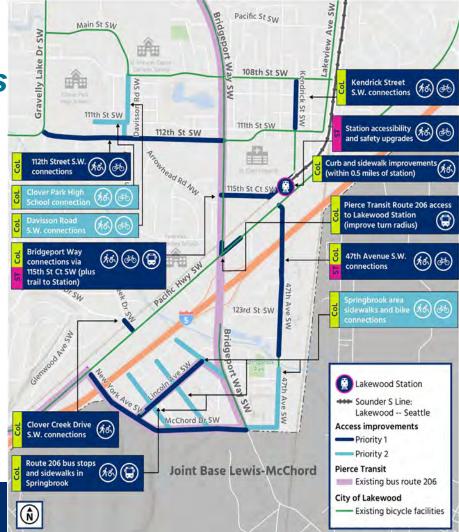
Changed conditions:

- Sounder parking utilization/ demand at these stations has not recovered and construction of additional parking would result in more underutilized parking and would not deliver any enhanced access benefit to riders
- Parking structures unaffordable within the current Financial Plan estimate



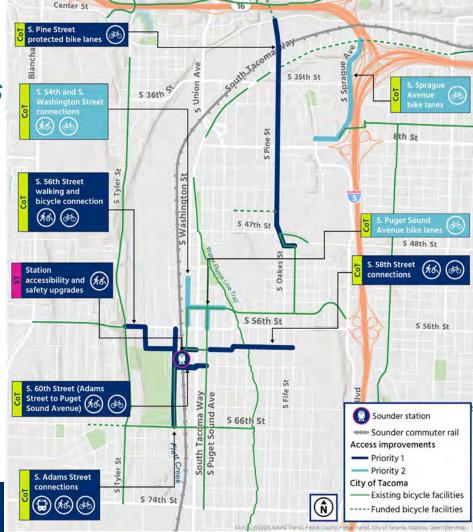
Lakewood Station Recommended Improvements

- At Station: curb ramps & sidewalk improvements, wayfinding, PA system, expanded tactile pavers
- Priority 1: ~5 miles of bicycle facilities and sidewalks and transit stop improvements
- Priority 2: Additional nonmotorized improvements



South Tacoma Station Recommended Improvements

- At Station: curb ramps & sidewalk improvements, lighting, wayfinding, PA system and expanded tactile pavers
- Priority 1: ~6 miles of bicycle facilities and sidewalks
- Priority 2: Additional non-motorized improvements



Opinion of Probable Cost

	Opinion of Probable Cost Range	Financial Plan Estimate
Lakewood Access	\$47M - \$54M (2023\$)	\$54M (2023\$)
South Tacoma Access	\$56M - \$64M (2023\$)	\$56M (2023\$)

Project Delivery & Cost Management:

- Quantitative Risk Assessment concluded Q2 2023
- ST to manage final design and construction of station area improvements
- Cities to delivery final design and construction within city right-of-way
 - Agreement on scope, Capped contribution funding agreements to maintain cost within Financial Plan value, No ST permits for City delivered improvements

Next Steps

Action	Lakewood	South Tacoma
Board: Select Project to be Built	March 2024	March 2024
Board: Project Baseline, Budget Amendment and Funding Agreements	Q3 2024	Q3 2024

Thank you.



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