

# Highland Park, Roxhill, Riverview, South Delridge Reconnect West Seattle

Community Check in  
8/13/20



City of Seattle

# Meeting purpose

- Share information collected through the Neighborhood Prioritization Ballots
- Confirm the communities' priorities
- Present and get feedback on SDOT's implementation plan

# Agenda

- Reconnect West Seattle update
- What we've heard from your community
- Initial neighborhood ballot results
- Top 10 projects
- Discussion

# Reconnect West Seattle

## A plan to:

1. Allow similar levels of travel across the Duwamish to those seen before the closure of the West Seattle High-Rise Bridge
  2. Reduce the impact of environmental injustice in the Duwamish Valley
- Surveys and neighborhood ballots were open from July 10-31



# Neighborhood Prioritization Process

- Uses a racial equity lens to prioritize those areas disproportionately impacted by the closure of the West Seattle High-Rise Bridge and corresponding detour routes:
  - Highland Park, Roxhill, S. Delridge, Riverview
  - South Park
  - Georgetown
  - SODO
- Neighborhoods prioritize projects that will cost less than \$100,000 and under 12 months to build
- Objective: identify, prioritize, and then implement actions and projects to improve safety and traffic outcomes in these specific areas



# Neighborhood Prioritization Process

- Looking at prioritization holistically: looking at other factors besides online survey votes
- Prioritization helps determine which projects get done first
- Projects will be presented in three categories:
  - In progress
  - Can be done in 2020
  - Advancing to project development / 2021 implementation
- SDOT will be looking at the overlap between neighborhood lists with bike and freight lists
- Will need continued neighborhood input and discussion on projects' designs

# Reconnect West Seattle- Timeline

- **Between August 5 & 19:** Analyze data and develop recommendations
- **August 19:** Share draft Reconnect West Seattle Implementation Plan with Task Force
- **Neighborhood Check-Ins:** Confirm priorities with community
  - Georgetown: August 11
  - SODO: August 13
  - South W Seattle: August 13
  - South Park: August 17
- **September:** Reconnect West Seattle implementation will commence, with focus on fast and easy projects first
- **Beyond September:** Ongoing discussions and additional project implementation

# Reconnect West Seattle - Ballots and Surveys

- Mobility Action Plan Surveys: 15,194  
(127 surveys completed in language)
- Neighborhood Ballots: 1,750
  - Highland Park, Riverview, S. Delridge, Roxhill: 1,074
  - Georgetown: 209
  - South Park: 398
  - SODO: 69(97 ballots completed in language)



In language/paper surveys received:

- Highland Park, Riverview, S. Delridge, Roxhill: 2
- Georgetown: 2
- South Park: 93
- SODO: 0

# Reconnect Themes - Neighborhood Ballots Overall

- Paper ballots vs online ballots
  - Online ballot breakdown –
    - 73% White
    - Majority above age 40
  - Paper ballots - non-English speakers and POC
- Most people that filled out ballots live in the neighborhoods and learned about it through social media
- In the following order, most people are concerned about:
  - Traffic & Congestion
  - Pedestrian Safety & Accessibility
  - Speeding
  - Environmental Impacts & Pollution

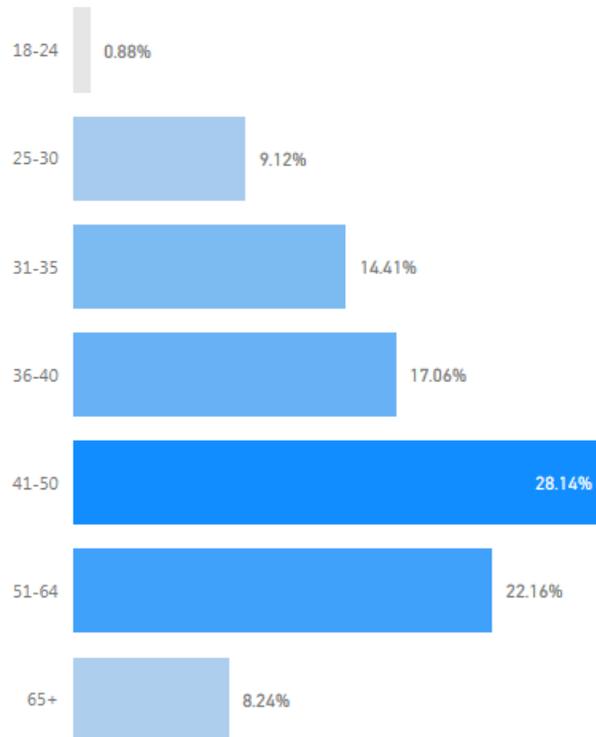
# Targeted Outreach

- Community Liaisons conducted outreach in multiple forms:
  - virtual meetings
  - posting on social media platforms
  - door-to-door business outreach
  - face-to-face meetings
- Ethnic Media ads (print and digital)
- Interviews with Univision, Salaxley TV, El Rey
- Materials in languages (online and paper versions):
  - Chinese, Spanish, Vietnamese, Khmer, Oromo, Somali

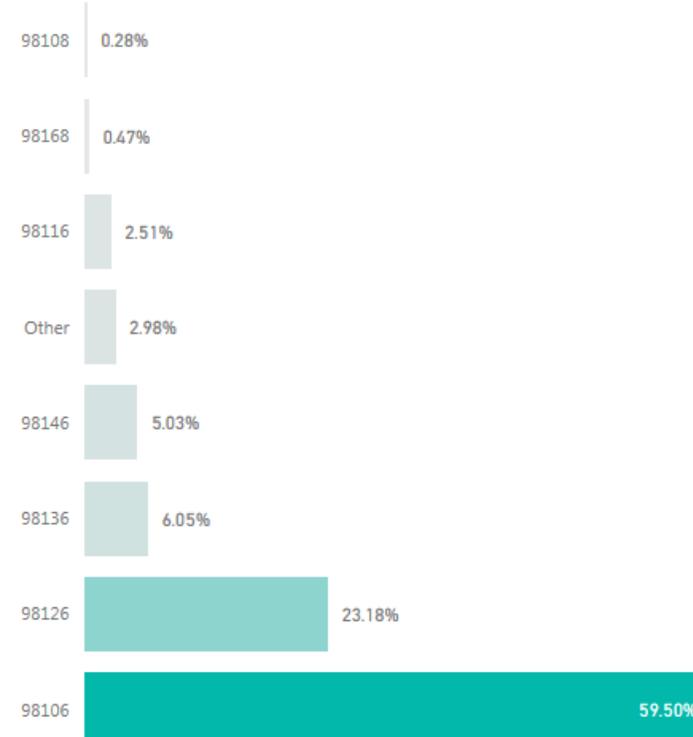


# Ballot Results: Highland Park, Roxhill, Riverview, South Delridge

Surveys by Age Range



Surveys by Zip Code of Primary Residence



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Neighborhood Survey Responses

Population: 23,110

Households: 9,123

Median age: 38

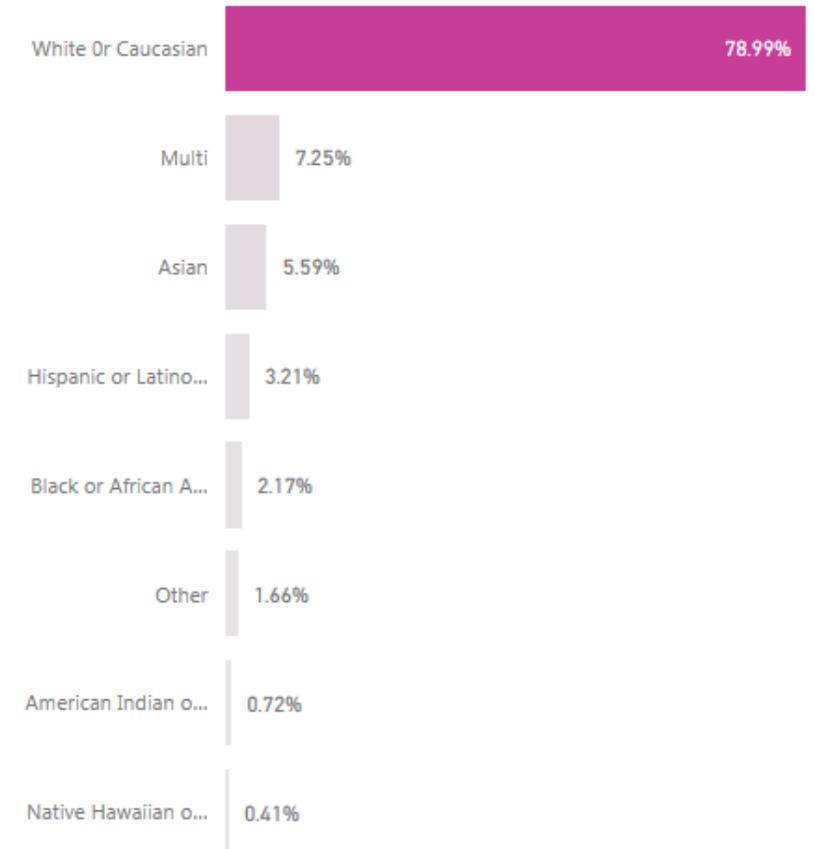
# Highland Park, Roxhill, Riverview, South Delridge Demographics

## General Population

- Racial make up:
  - White: 49%
  - Asian: 24%
  - Hispanic or Latino/a: 15%
  - Black: 11%
  - Other Race: 7%
  - Multi: 8%

## Survey results

- Racial make up:
  - White: 79%
  - Asian: 6%
  - Hispanic or Latino: 3%
  - Black: 2%
  - Other Race: 2%
  - Multi: 7%

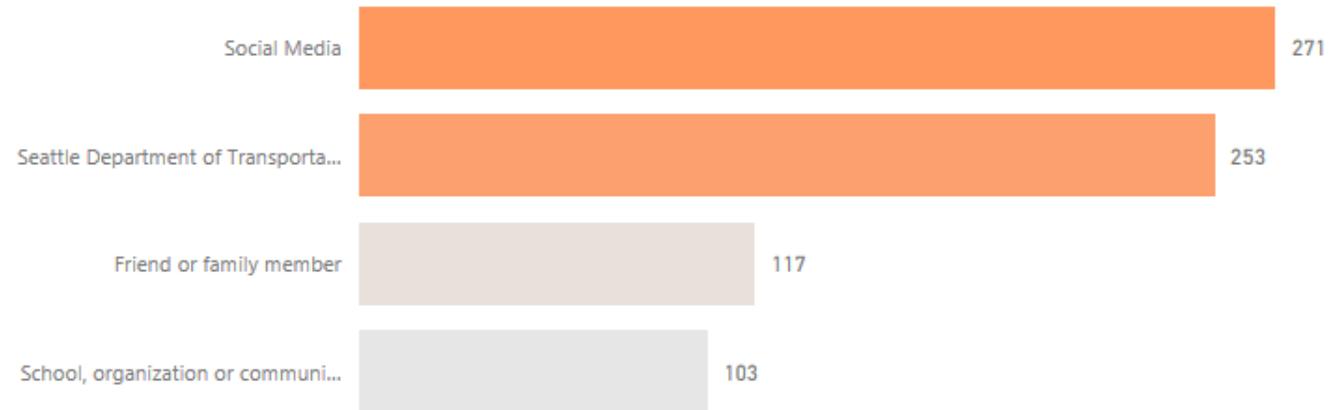


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## Connection

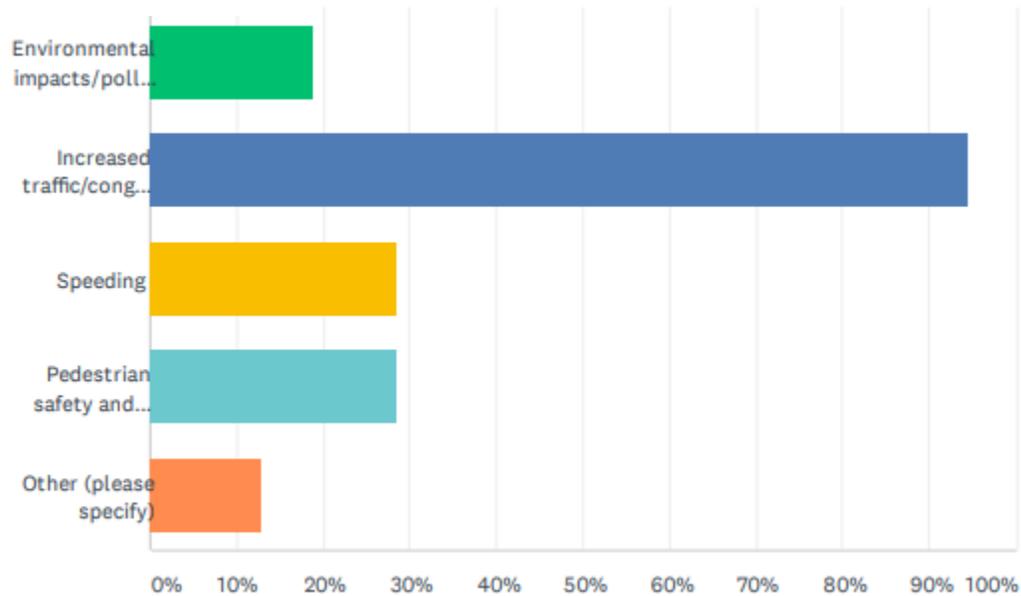


## How Did You Hear About This Survey

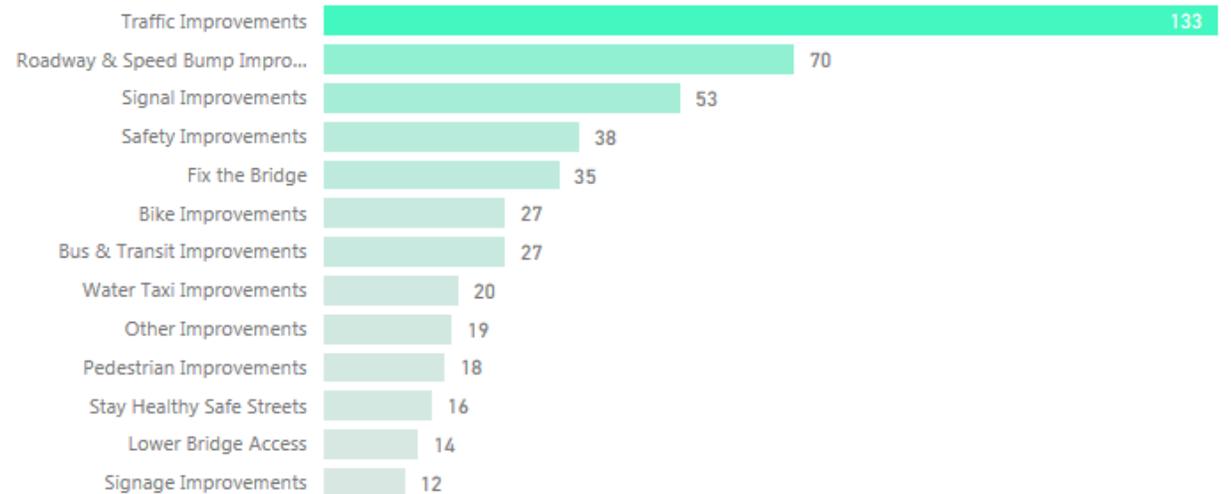


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Concerns



Other Comments & Suggestions



# What we've heard from your neighbors

- **Traffic.** Survey respondents consistently reported concern for traffic on neighborhood streets and throughout the West Seattle neighborhoods.
- **Safety.** Respondents reported an increase in speed since the closure of the West Seattle Bridge, and feeling less safe as a pedestrian or cyclist or parent. Specifically, speed issues were mentioned along Roxbury, Barton, Highland Park on Sylvan Way, Sylvan Way at Holly, High Point Dr, Morgan, and Olson.

## On the process:

- **Inaccuracies with lists and maps.** Ballots were confusing and the process lacked clarity.

# What we heard from your neighbors

## Respondents suggested:

- Speed calming devices
- Stricter enforcement of speeding
- Local-only access to neighborhood streets
- Removing parking during high commute times or entirely
- Creating more “Stay Healthy Streets”
- Adding “Your Speed” notice signs, and more crosswalks.

## Project Ideas Not Mentioned by Survey Choices:

- Remove Barton Street from the detour route to reduce congestion.
- Make changes at Roxbury including expanding to four lanes, syncing lights between 35th, 16th, Delridge and Roxbury, address ferry traffic coming up from Barton, add left hand turn lanes, specifically at 8<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, expand repaving projects.
- Create more bus route connections with the water taxi.

# Top projects ranked (1-10)

[W20] Roadway improvement Increase the number of lanes on West Marginal Way S to get onto the on ramp for the 1st Ave bridge (21)	52.99%	567
[W51] Roadway improvement Repair potholes and other road issues on 35th Ave, W Marginal Way, SW Delridge Way, SW Holden St (23)	50.09%	536
[62063] Traffic improvement Add left-turn lanes for the northbound and southbound directions at 16th Avenue SW and SW Holden Street. (48)	45.33%	485
[W16] Signal improvement Update signals to address traffic backups at 16th Ave SW and SW Holden (43)	44.39%	475
[W24] Traffic improvement Mitigate difficult turning onto SW Holden St from streets both east and west of Delridge Way (49)	32.43%	347
[W60] Signal improvement Add a left-hand turn signal at the 8th Ave SW and SW Roxbury St intersection (46)	31.68%	339
[W27] Signal improvement Update signals to address traffic backups at 8th Ave SW and SW Roxbury (45)	28.50%	305
[W61] Roadway improvement Restripe the 15th Ave SW and SW Roxbury St to mark a left-hand turn lane (26)	28.04%	300
[W25] Signal improvement Update signals to address traffic backups at Orchard St. and Delridge Way SW (44)	24.39%	261
[W28] Roadway improvement Add extra traction on the uphill, southbound lane on Highland Park Way SW approaching the SW Holden St intersection (22)	22.71%	243

## Top projects ranked (11-20)

[W34] Transit improvement Increase Metro bus service for access to east and west transit on the peninsula i.e. access to California St./ Junction areas (53)	21.78%	233
[W35] Safety improvement Add stop signs at unmarked intersections throughout the Highland Park neighborhood (30)	21.21%	227
[W36] Safety improvement Implement more traffic calming throughout the Highland Park neighborhood (31)	21.21%	227
[W33] Transit improvement Increase Metro Route 131 service (52)	15.61%	167
[W57] Roadway improvement Paint the 30' no parking distance on the curb at intersections along SW Holden St (25)	15.23%	163
[W54] Roadway improvement Repave Barton Street (eastbound at a minimum) between 30th and 34th Avenues SW (24)	14.95%	160
[W30] Stay Healthy Street Program Close the Stay Healthy Street on SW Trenton St and find a different location with lower traffic volumes (47)	14.77%	158
[W38] Safety improvement Implement traffic calming for the schools zones of Chief Sealth HS, Roxhill Elementary, Sanislo Elementary and Highland Park Elementary (32)	13.36%	143
[W31] Safety improvement Increase Seattle Police Department enforcement on 16th Ave SW (29)	12.99%	139
[W56] Signage improvement Install "Do Not Block" signs at intersections along SW Holden St (42)	12.34%	132

# Project Status



Rank	Project number	Project	Original Request	Status
1	W20*	<b>Roadway improvement</b> / Increase the number of lanes on West Marginal Way S to get onto the on ramp for the 1st Ave bridge	Community request, HPAC letter	Advance to project development with WSDOT to explore opportunities to add a lane to the NB onramp by reducing the number of NB through lanes (2021).
2	W51	<b>Roadway improvement</b> / Repair potholes and other road issues on 35th Ave, W Marginal Way, SW Delridge Way, SW Holden St	Community request, WSB town hall	2020 Implementation
3	62063	<b>Traffic improvement</b> / Add left-turn lanes for the northbound and southbound directions at 16th Avenue SW and SW Holden Street	SDOT, YVYC 2020	Done (August 9)
4	W16*	<b>Signal improvement</b> / Update signals to address traffic backups at 16th Ave SW and SW Holden	Community request, HPAC letter	Done (August 9)
5	W24	<b>Traffic improvement</b> / Mitigate difficult turning onto SW Holden St from streets both east and west of Delridge Way	Community request, HPAC letter	Advance to project development to identify neighborhood traffic calming improvements (2021)

\*Indicates support from targeted outreach efforts

# Project Status

- In Progress
- 2020
- 2021

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6	W60	<b>Signal improvement</b> / Add a left-hand turn signal at the 8th Ave SW and SW Roxbury St intersection	Community request, HPAC letter	Advance to project development to identify tradeoffs with community (2021)
7	W27*	<b>Signal improvement</b> / Update signals to address traffic backups at 8th Ave SW and SW Roxbury	Community request, HPAC letter	Advance to project development to identify tradeoffs with community (2021)
8	W61	<b>Roadway improvement</b> / Restripe the 15th Ave SW and SW Roxbury St to mark a left-hand turn lane	Community request, HPAC letter	Advance to project development to identify tradeoffs with community (2021)
9	W25	<b>Signal improvement</b> / Update signals to address traffic backups at Orchard St. and Delridge Way SW	Community request, HPAC letter	Already in progress
10	W28*	<b>Roadway improvement</b> / Add extra traction on the uphill, southbound lane on Highland Park Way SW approaching the SW Holden St intersection	Community request, HPAC letter	Advance to project development to identify tradeoffs with community (2021)

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# Opportunities and Constraints

- Each neighborhood has prioritized top projects for implementation
- Can get multiple projects done quickly this fall
- More projects will be done in 2021
  
- Limited crew capacity
- Need to complete projects before rainy season
- Limited funding for projects due to pandemic

# Considerations

- In addition to online survey, we will be looking at:
  - In- language and paper ballots vs. online survey
  - Project overlap and with other areas
  - Comments from community meetings, emails, and voicemails
  - Input from the WSB Community Task Force

# Discussion

- What questions do you have about specific projects?
- Did anything surprise you about the list?
- Is there anything that you think is missing from the list?

# Discussion

[www.seattle.gov/transportation/WestSeattleBridge](http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/WestSeattleBridge)

