



Puyallup Station Access Improvement Project

Sound Transit Capital Committee

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Background

- Improvements to Puyallup Station were approved by voters in 2008 as part of Sound Transit 2
- ST Board identified a preferred package of access improvements for environmental review and preliminary design in August 2014
- Sound Transit issued a SEPA Determination of Non-significance (DNS) and FTA completed the NEPA process in February 2016

Project Overview



- Proposed improvements include a parking garage and surface lot at the Eagles site, as well as pedestrian and bicycle improvements
- Improving easy and reliable access will be necessary as ridership and service increases
- Average daily ridership on the south Sounder line is expected to increase by more than 13,000 by 2035

Proposed Parking Improvements

- Proposed 5-level parking garage (at the current Eagles site) would provide 503 parking spaces
- Additional 98 surface lot; 68 existing leased parking.



Proposed Walking and Biking Improvements

Sound Transit is working with city staff to identify improvements that will make it easier for people who walk and bike to the station. Sound Transit is also evaluating optional pedestrian bridges across 5th Street NW and the railroad tracks.



Potential improvements

- New or improved crosswalks
- Flashing beacons with arrows
- Sidewalk improvements
- Curb ramps
- New bike storage
- New bike lanes

Environmental Analysis

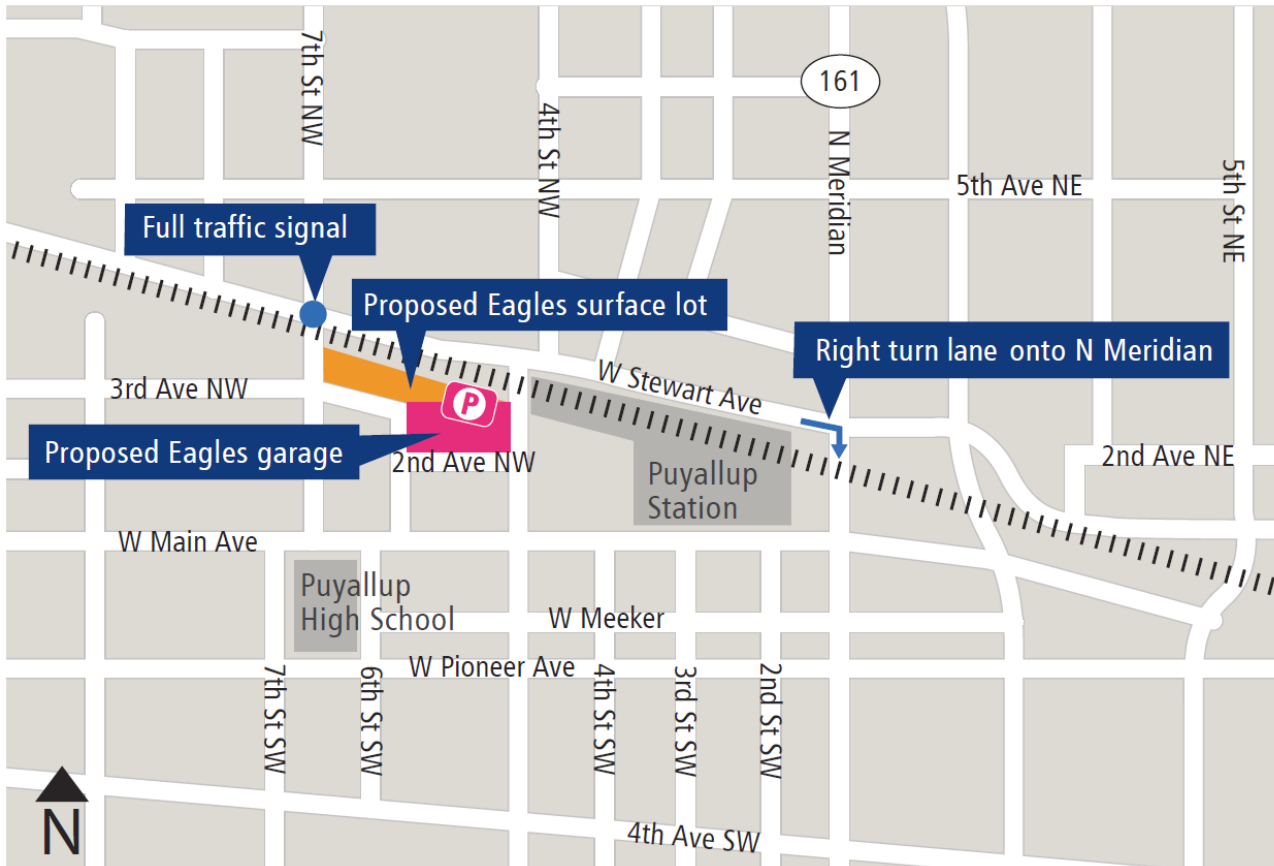


The following categories were studied*:

- Aesthetics
- Air
- Animals - includes Endangered Species Act
- Coordination with local transit
- Earth
- Energy and natural resources
- Environmental health – includes hazardous materials and noise
- Historic and cultural preservation
- Housing
- Land and shoreline use
- Light and glare
- Recreation
- Plants
- Public services
- Transportation – requires traffic improvements
- Utilities
- Water

No significant impact from the proposed improvements were identified

Proposed Traffic Mitigation



- A full traffic signal is planned at 7th Street NW and W Stewart Ave to improve traffic flow
- An additional right-turn lane is planned on W Stewart Ave for traffic traveling onto southbound N Meridian

Public Comment

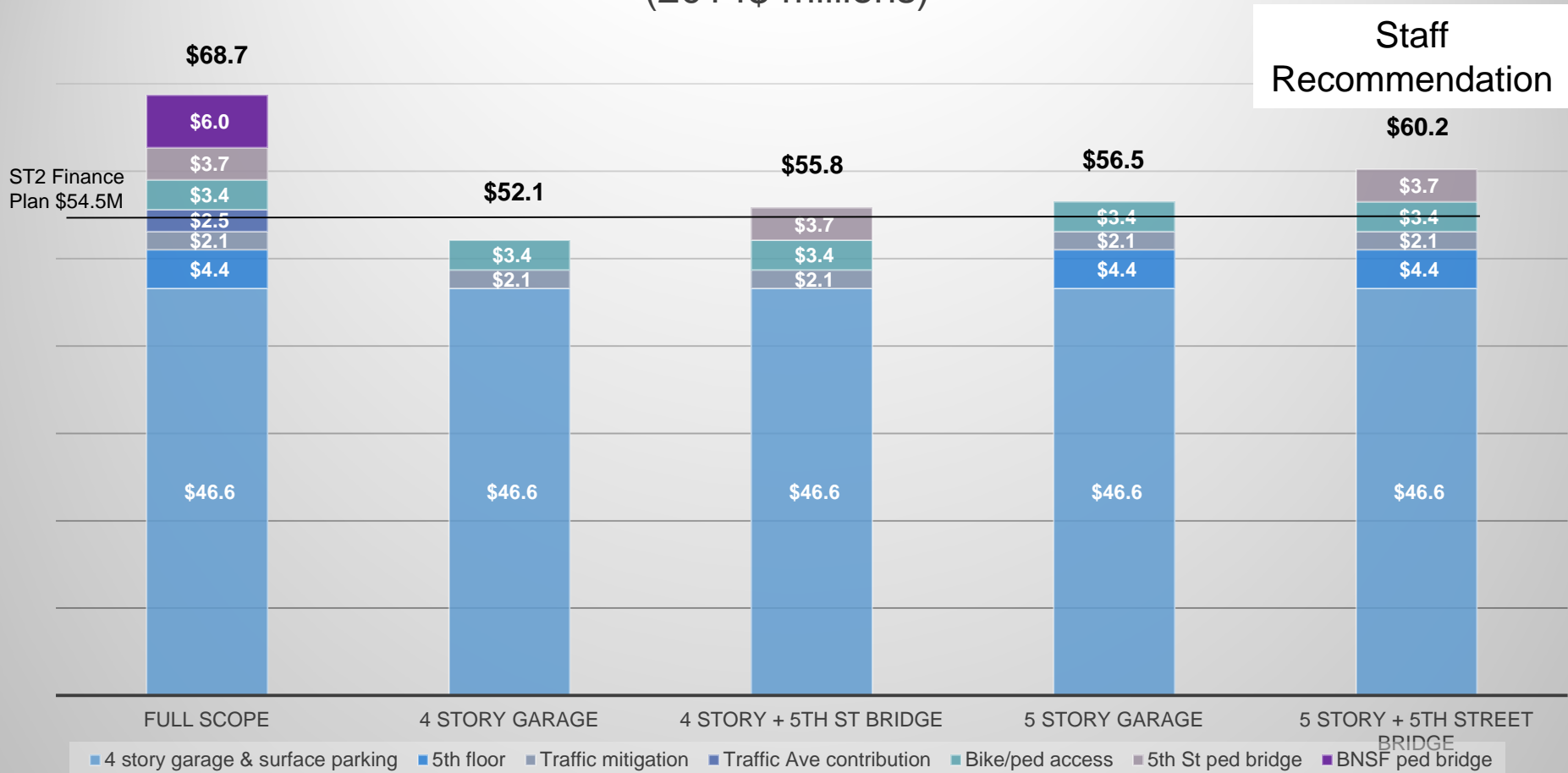
- Outreach methods and tools
 - Project website, email updates
 - Mailer, posters, and social media campaigns
 - Public meetings
- City- Both pedestrian bridges are valuable for public safety and traffic flow.
- School District- Concerns of preserving safety around the school with the new ST improvements
- Eagles- Concerns that the relocation process will leave them with too many new fees and a mortgage.

ST2 Scope and SEPA/NEPA Scope

	ST2 Scope	<u>SEPA/NEPA Scope</u>
<u>Puyallup</u>	600 new stalls	669 total new permanent stalls
<u>Access</u>		503 stall garage (4 ½ stories)
<u>Improvements</u>		166 new surface stalls (includes 68 currently leased Eagles stalls)
	364 existing at station	364 existing at station
		219 existing Red Lot lease
	1 ped/bike bridge	2 ped/bike bridges
		Sidewalk and curb ramps
		Bike routes
		Bike storage

Puyallup Costs Comparison

Puyallup Access Project Scope Options (2014\$ millions)



Priorities

- City- 5th Street NW Pedestrian Bridge, Traffic Improvements, Pedestrian and Bike Improvements, & 5th Floor Garage and Railroad Pedestrian Bridge.
- Survey response results.

3. Please rank the following proposed station access improvements in order of importance to you, with 1 being your highest priority and 4 being your lowest priority. For more information about these improvements, please view the online open house and the Puyallup fact sheet.

	Score*	Overall Rank
5-level parking garage and expanded surface parking	192	1
Pedestrian bridge across the railroad tracks	151	2
Pedestrian bridge across 5th St NW, from the parking garage to the station	145	3
Infrastructure and signal improvements for people walking and biking to the station	122	4

Total Respondents 61

Next Steps

- ST Board Selects Project to be Built
- Phase Gate 4: Authorize Final Design and Property Acquisition.
- ST Board Authorizing Property Purchase
- Property Appraisals and Review.
- 1st Offers Made to Property Owners.



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