
From: Dave Gering [dgmic@qwestoffice.net]
Sent: Friday, March 13, 2009 4:35 PM
To: Paananen, Ron
Subject: FW: Amendments to Alaskan Way Viaduct Replacement

FYI – I just got back to my office and will send you the draft articles shortly. I appreciated today's meeting. The deputy mayor is convening an emergency type meeting Monday with several us involving two-way Mercer. Vulcan met with the governor yesterday stating their need for a two-way Mercer from Elliott to Mercer as part of the deep bore project. Have a great weekend.

From: Bailey, Melissa [mailto:Bailey.Melissa@leg.wa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, March 12, 2009 5:42 PM
To: 'Dave'
Subject: Amendments to Alaskan Way Viaduct Replacement

Hi Dave –

Rep. Dickerson reviewed your email and appreciates the information. She wanted me to share some draft language for amendments she plans on proposing to the Alaskan Way Viaduct replacement bill.

ALASKAN WAY

The City's improvements to Alaskan Way shall include a new 4-lane grade separated connection to Elliott Avenue.

The City has pledged to make Alaskan Way a free-flowing alternative access route for freight and vehicles to the port and points south. Therefore, the city shall perform all work necessary to this end, including the building and synchronization of traffic lights that prioritize vehicular traffic flow. Because these vehicles need to access points south of the city, the SR 99/519 interchange must facilitate Alaskan Way traffic flow.

NW SEATTLE ACCESS TO THE BORED TUNNEL

The City must develop a plan to make traffic flow from NW Seattle neighborhoods to the bored tunnel work as efficiently as possible. Arterials that must be addressed in the plan include but are not limited to: N 46th Street, N 39th Street, NW 39th Street, Nickerson Street, Dexter Avenue North, Mercer Street and West Mercer Street. The plan shall address such issues as traffic light synchronization, on-street parking, congestion around the Aurora Avenue Bridge caused by the Queen Anne turnaround, bridge policies, and other issues that contribute to or detract from improved traffic flow.

MERCER

The City shall develop a free flowing Mercer Street thoroughfare which includes the two-way Mercer West improvements, maximizes vehicle throughput and provides a seamless transition from Elliott Avenue to State Route 99. This includes safe access to Mercer Street with a free-flowing interchange between Mercer Street, State Route 99 going north, and the bored tunnel going south. This is a prerequisite to the state and city's closure of the access ramps between Western and Elliott and SR 99.

Thank you,

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