



#### Overview

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#### **Funding update**

#### Funding sources:

- Sound Transit
  - \$50 million
  - Federal Small Starts grant \$74.99 million appropriated
- City of Tacoma = \$40 million
  - Grants: \$33 million in secured grants and other potential grant sources
  - TIGER Grant = \$15 million SECURED



#### Agreements

#### City Services Agreement

Design and Construction services provided by City

#### Memorandum of Understanding

Partnership Funding

#### First Amendment to the First Amended Right of Use

 Allows for the construction, operation and maintenance of the extension in City right-of-way



#### **Project Status**



#### Final design (2016-2017)

#### Advance design:

- Complete engineering and prepare for construction
- Public review and comment on design plans for stations and tracks
- Public provides input on permanent station names and station art

#### Advance art:

- Lead artist joins design team
- Meet the artists

#### Pre-construction (late 2017-early 2018)

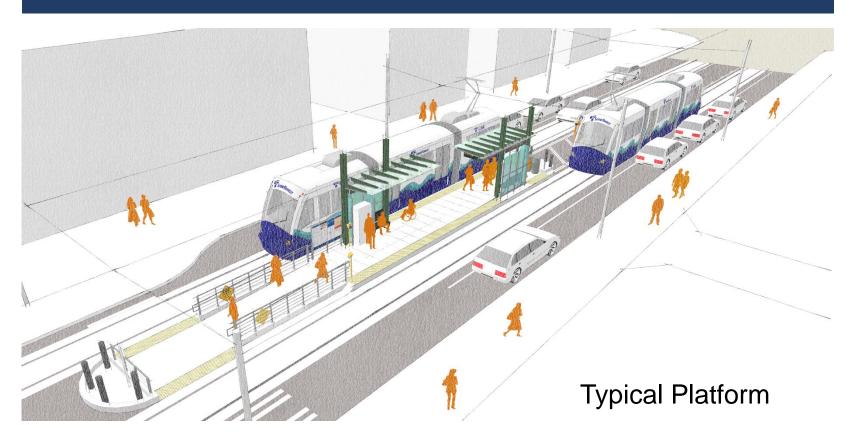
- Business and resident outreach
- Construction outreach
- Permitting
- Hire contractors to build alignment



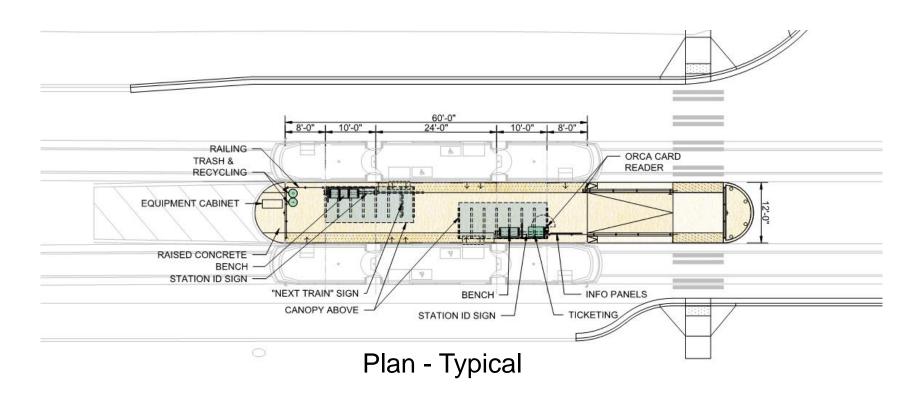
#### Final Design – 60% Civil and Systems

- Public Utility Relocations are being finalized
- Private utility relocation will be performed by owners
- Power infrastructure relocations performed by TPU
- TPSS site locations are being finalized
- All track layout and street restoration design being finalized
- Station design and layouts are being finalized
- Intersection, curb bulbs, and associated sidewalk design being finalized

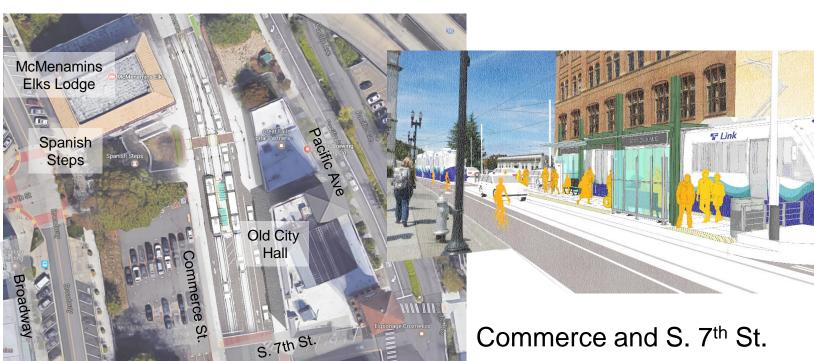












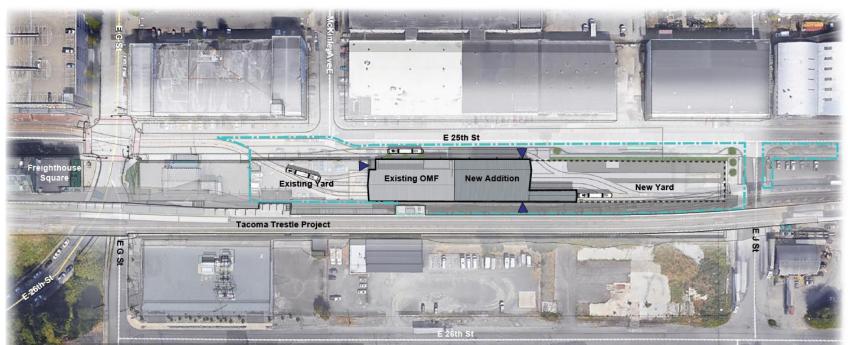




MLK Jr. Way and S. 3<sup>rd</sup> St.



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#### **Station Naming Process**

- Parameters
  - Reflect the environment, neighborhoods, street names, landmarks, and geographical locations
  - Be brief
  - Limited to 30 characters
  - Avoid commercial references
  - Avoid similar names in existing facility names
- Public Input Received/Voted on "Top Two"
- Next Steps
- ST Board makes Final Decision



#### **Station Naming – Top Votes**

7<sup>th</sup> and Commerce St: Old City Hall or Spanish Steps

 4<sup>th</sup> and Stadium Way: Commencement Bay Overlook or Stadium Way/S. 4<sup>th</sup> St.

Stadium District (N. 1<sup>st</sup> St.): Stadium District or Wright Park

S. 3<sup>rd.</sup> St. & MLK Jr. Way: Medical Center North or S. 3<sup>rd</sup> St.

6<sup>th</sup> Ave. and MLK Jr. Way: 6<sup>th</sup> Ave.

• S. 11<sup>th</sup> St. & MLK Jr. Way: Hilltop District or Hilltop

• S. 18<sup>th</sup> St. & MLK Jr. Way: **Medical Center South** or S. 18<sup>th</sup> St.

Also, a formal request to rename the 11<sup>th</sup> and Commerce St. station to Theater District.



#### **Community Outreach - Recap**

## April 2017: 60% Outreach

- Online and in-person presentation of materials
- 64 in-person attendees
- Comments Online: now through April 30

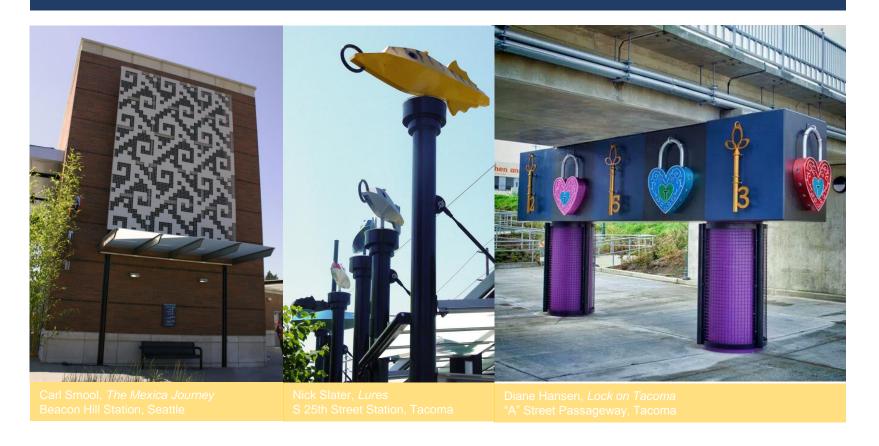
Notification methods: mailer (12,000); door-to-door at station area, news release and social media.

## December 2016: Pre 60% Outreach

- Online and In-person presentation of materials
- 267 Comments received
- 70 in-person attendees



## **Sound Transit Art Program**





#### **Sound Transit Art Program Goals**

- Contribute significantly toward making the Tacoma Link facilities rich community assets
- Engage thoughtfully with the community
- Hire one or more professional artists in collaboration with the Tacoma Arts Commission





#### STart Project Artist: Kenji Hamai Stoll



Home Court is a design team project for the Tacoma Housing Authority. Through extensive community engagement, Kenji learned that THA youth dragged a home-made hoop 1.5 miles in order to play ball near their home. He transformed a planned plaza into a multi-use, hoop-focused gathering place.

The *Housing Hilltop* community engagement project used doors and photo booths in temporary interactive public art projects to learn more about the needs of local residents and their vision for the future. The research gathered has informed the design of new affordable housing in the core of the Hilltop Business District.



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Apollo The Sunflower God
on the side of the Rialto
Theater in downtown Tacoma,
was named by an onlooker.
The mural attests that beauty
does not need to be
understood to be perceived.
Collaboration with Christopher
Paul Jordan.





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Flourish MLK uses geometric patterns to unify the Hilltop neighborhood streetscape and is inspired by local architecture, community landmarks and the neighborhood's cultural diversity. A collaboration Christopher Paul Jordan and Fab-F apprentices.



#### **Next steps**

- Present Station Names to ST Board for approval
- Baseline the project schedule and cost
- Complete the design
- Continue updates to the community

