

ALLENTOWN COMMUNITY MEETING

November 23, 2021

Tukwila Community Center

Notes

Meeting Goals and Guiding Principles

- Residents and staff discussed ideas for the overall goals of these meetings and what we would like our guiding principles to be.
- The number one shared goal is to get the trucks out of the Allentown neighborhood
- Would like to include language on incorporating neighborhood feedback and understanding neighborhood expectations
- The full list of goals and guiding principles is attached. City staff will laminate these and bring to future meetings.

Alt. Access Study and EIS Project Manager Hiring Updates

- Two rounds of interviews were done, and two offers were made. Both candidates declined the offers.
- The salary has been increased and the position reposted. We hope to do a third round of interviews and hire someone in early 2022.
- If unable to hire for the position, the City will investigate repurposing an existing staff as an EIS Manager.
- We will provide another EIS hiring update at the January 25th meeting.
- The timeline is to have the EIS complete by the end of 2023. City staff will update the Powerpoint slides to accurately reflect that.
- The design of an alternative truck route could take 1-5 years. Design of a bridge option would take longer than an option that only involves road widening and/or right of way.

42nd Ave S Bridge – Design Updates & Gallery Results

- The reroute option for 42nd Ave S bridge traffic will be decided as part of the Type, Size, & Location (TS&L) report.
- The reroute will depend on the location options presented in the TS&L. The location must be within the same corridor, which is between the steel mill bridge and 124th Street.
- At the next meeting, we will discuss the new bridge location and reroute options, and how those fit within our shared goals.

Other Allentown Project Updates

- Chris Andree presented on Metro's Via program, which can take riders from the TCC to the Tukwila Sounder Station. Chris can be contacted with more information at Christopher.andree@tukwilawa.gov.

Next Steps

- Attendees and staff decided not to have a meeting on December 28th, but the City will send an e-mail with updated language for the goals and guiding principles and other updates.
- Staff will laminate the goals and guiding principles for future meetings
- Address November meeting questions at January meeting

Questions to be addressed at January meeting

- How is information shared to Council after these meetings and how does the neighborhood know what that is?
- What will be the 42nd Ave S alternative access route during construction and in the case of an emergency?
- What are the TS&L choices for the location of the 42nd Ave S Bridge?
- Is the City working with the Duwamish tribe on the 42nd Ave S Bridge Replacement project?
- Is there a way to regulate the number of trucks and their speed when they are using the existing 42nd Ave S Bridge? Could signage be improved? Can we call Washington State Patrol?
- What was the construction happening on 124th recently?

Next Meeting: January 25, 2021 from 5:30pm, Tukwila Community Center