

TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT DISTRICT
FOR BURIEN

(Proposed Ordinance No. 516)

Public Hearing

July 20, 2009

Transportation Benefit District

- TBD: Independent taxing district created for the sole purpose of funding transportation improvements within the district.
- The members of the legislative authority proposing to establish the TBD make up the governing body.
- Proposed TBD would be established in order to place \$25 vehicle license fee on November 3 ballot.
- This measure would only apply to current Burien residents.

Background

- In 2004 the City of Burien adopted a Burien Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities Plan. Over twenty high-priority pedestrian and bicycle facility projects were identified.
- According to the Burien Community Survey conducted in 2008, the majority of respondents felt there is a need for more sidewalks and bike paths in their neighborhood.
- As of July 2008, the State of Washington allows cities to designate a Transportation Benefit District (or “TBD”) to fund transportation improvements within a city.

Background - continued

- In 2008, the Burien City Council directed staff to study feasibility of establishing a transportation benefit district in Burien.
- On July 11, 2008 staff presented the Burien Economic Development Partnership (BEDP) with an overview of TBDs and how they might be used in Burien. They were supportive of the concept.
- On December 8, 2008 the Council selected two high-priority projects from the Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities Plan for the purpose of forming a TBD and placing a proposed \$25 annual vehicle license fee on an upcoming ballot in order to fund those projects.
- Council now establishes TBD with Ordinance No. 516 in order to place measure on November 3 ballot.

Annual Reports

By law, Transportation Benefit Districts are required to provide annual reports to the community. These annual reports would show:

- project status
- expenditures and revenues
- construction schedules

If a TBD is in place, the City must also hold a public hearing to resolve any transportation cost issues, in the event costs exceed the original project estimate by more than 20 percent.



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Legend

- TBD Projects
- Other High Priority Projects from the Plan
- Previously Completed Projects

**Pedestrian and Bicycle
Facilities Plan Map**
High Priority Projects

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Project #1: 8th Avenue South (S 128th Street to S. 136th Street)

- Construct a minimum 8-foot wide multi-purpose facility* on one side of 8th Avenue South
- Provides safer connection to Cedarhurst Elementary School
- Connects to east-west facility on South 136th Street
- Connect with future facilities for the Northeast Redevelopment Area.

** Multi-purpose facility: A concrete paved path intended for use by cyclists as well as pedestrians.*

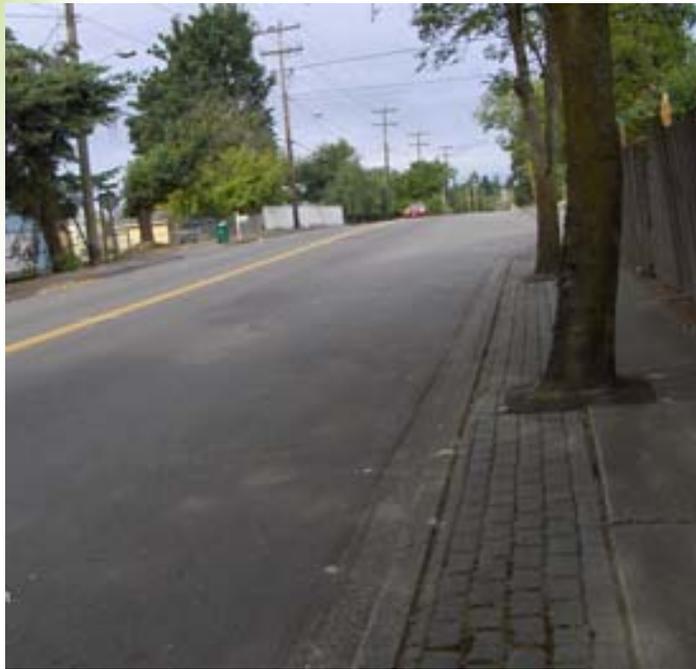
Project #1: 8th Avenue South



Project #2: SW and S 136th Street (Ambaum Blvd to Des Moines Memorial Dr.)

- Bicycle lane on both sides
- Repair inadequate and non-ADA portions of existing sidewalk
- Connects major community facilities, including Seahurst Park, Chelsea Park, North SeaTac Park, Senior Center facility and soccer field
- Connects with existing facility on 4th Avenue SW
- Connects east through SeaTac to Green River Trail and light rail station
- Connects east to North SeaTac Park Community Center, Central Washington University Branch Campus, and Tukwila schools.
- Connects to planned facilities on 8th Avenue South and Des Moines Memorial Drive South

Project #2: SW & S 136th St



Timeline

*July 20, 2009
Public Hearing
& City Council
Meeting*

*Aug. 3, 2009
City Council/
TBD Meeting*
- Final action
taken by
Council to
place TBD
measure on
Nov. 3 ballot.

If TBD approved
by Council:
**Ballot
submitted to
Secretary of
State:
Deadline:
Aug. 11, 2009**

**November 3,
2009**

**Residents
located within
the city limits
of Burien
would vote on
an annual \$25
vehicle license
fee for two
years in order
to fund two
high-priority
projects from
the Burien
Pedestrian and
Bicycle
Facilities Plan.**