WATERFRONT INTO FOCUS
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COMMUNITY INTO FOCUS
GUIDING PRINCIPLES

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**Shoreline** and innovative, sustainable design

**Reconnect** the city to its waterfront

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COMMUNITY OUTREACH

CIVIC EVENTS
COMMUNITY FORUMS
GRASSROOTS OUTREACH
WATERFRONT ACTIVATION
ONLINE + SOCIAL MEDIA
DESIGN INTO FOCUS

Knit the seawall & waterfront projects together.

The aquarium could serve as education headquarters for this land/water connection.

Imagine a long serpentine wave bench.

Unravel the WPA industrial legacy with a new green WPA.
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Three Concepts at Three Scales

1. CITY SCALE

2. CENTER CITY SCALE

3. WATERFRONT SCALE

PUGET SOUND

SEATTLE

ELLIOTT BAY

1 MILE

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SEATTLE

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1. The City Scale: “Re-Centering the City around the Bay”
Re-Centering Seattle Around the Bay
Habitat + Ecology
360° City (Art Program)
2. The Center City Scale

“Connecting the City to the Waterfront”
A Constellation of Sites (Art Program)
Waterfront Transit Access

- **Light Rail**
- **Transit Tunnel Stations**
- **Bus Transit Spine and Pathways**
- **Madison Street HCT Corridor**
- **Existing and Planned Streetcar**
- **Alternative Center City Connector Corridors**
- **SW Transit Pathway Options**
- **Frequent Trolley Bus Routes**
- **Waterfront Connector**

1 Mile Scale
Waterfront Transit Options
3. The Waterfront Scale “Journeys and Places”
Waterfront Promenade

CONTINUOUS WATERFRONT ELEMENTS
- SEAWALL
- ALASKAN WAY AND ELLIOTT WAY
- BIKE PATH
- WATERFRONT PUBLIC REALM

0.5 MILE
Waterfront Destinations

- Festival Pier
- Pier 62/63
- Union St Pier
- Bell Harbor Boardwalk
- Belltown Bluff
- Belltown Balcony
- The North End
- Railroad Way
- Pioneer Square Beach
- Ferry Fold
- Colman Gallery
- Historic Pier Walk
- Aquarium Plaza
- Overlook Walk

WATERFRONT DESTINATION
WATERFRONT PUBLIC REALM
Core Projects

1. RAILROAD WAY
2. SEAWALL BEACH
3. S. MAIN ST IMPROVEMENTS
4. S. WASH. ST. IMPROVEMENTS
5. COLMAN DOCK GALLERY
6. MARION ST. BRIDGE
7. COLUMBIA ST. IMPROVEMENTS
8. HISTORIC PIER WALK
9. SENECA ST. IMPROVEMENTS
10. TIDELINE PROMENADE
11. UNION STREET PIER
12. UNION ST. IMPROVEMENTS
13. AQUARIUM PLAZA
14. PIER 62/63
15. OVERLOOK WALK
16. BELLTOWN BLUFF
17. BELLTOWN INTERIM IMPROVEMENTS
18. BELL ST. IMPROVEMENTS
Core Projects

1. A Great Urban Street
2. A Dedicated Bike Path
3. A Continuous Public Promenade
4. Waterfront Destinations
5. East-West Connections
Five Street Segments

A: S. KING ST. TO YESLER WAY
B: YESLER WAY TO SPRING ST.
C: SPRING ST. TO PIKE ST.
D: ALASKAN WAY TO LENORA ST.
E: ELLIOTT WAY LENORA ST TO BELL ST.

0.5 MILE
A: Alaskan Way at S. Main Street

- Pioneer Square Beach
- 16’ Bike Path
- 9’ Sidewalk
- Flex Lane
- 18’ Median
- Ferry Only
- (Ferry PM)
- Flex Lane
- 96’ Pedestrian Crossing Distance
- 18’ Public Sidewalk
C: Alaskan Way at Spring Street

PROMENADE

16’ BIKE WAY

18’ BULB-OUT

66’ PEDESTRIAN CROSSING DISTANCE

8’ PARKING

20’ PUBLIC SIDEWALK
Pedestrian-Friendly Crossings

- PROMENADE
- BIKE PATH
- WEST SIDEWALK
- PARKING/LOADING
- SOUTHBOUND ALASKAN WAY
- NORTHBOUND ALASKAN WAY
- PARKING/LOADING
- EAST SIDEWALK
- PRIVATE PROPERTY
Revitalized Street Frontages
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A Dedicated Bike Path
“Tideline” Promenade Floor Materials

WOOD

PLANTING

GLASS

CONCRETE

CRUSHED STONE

GRAVEL-TOPPED ASPHALT
Promenade Seating

- Movable Tables and Chairs
- Driftwood Bench
- Tideline Benches
- Chaises
- Porch Swings
Promenade Kiosks

MAPS + INFORMATION

BIKE PARKING + SERVICE

CAFE

RESTROOM
Promenade at Historic Piers
Promenade at Historic Piers
Promenade at Colman Dock
Pioneer Square

1. Seawall Beach
2. Washington St. Boat Landing
3. Boardwalk
4. Glacial Erratics
5. Fir Shoreline
6. Seawall Bench
7. Connection to Pier 48
8. S. Main St. Improvements
9. S. Washington St. Improvements

- Core Project Area
- Seawall
South Washington Street
Pioneer Square
Colman Dock

1. Colman Dock Gallery
2. Canopy Sheds
3. Bosque
4. Passenger Ferry
5. Connection to Colman Dock
6. Marion St. Bridge
7. Connection to Marion St. Bridge
8. Columbia St. Improvements
9. Bike Path

- Core Project Area
- Seawall

0' 50' 100' 200'
Columbia Street

Diagram showing the layout of Columbia Street with various points of interest such as Colman Gallery, Bike/Walkway, Alaskan Way, Sidewalk, Columbia Transit Plaza, Western Ave, Post Alley, and 1st Ave. The diagram also includes a scale at the bottom right corner.
Historic Piers

1. TIDELINE PROMENADE
2. TERRACE GARDENS
3. PIER SLIPS
4. TERRACE BOARDWALK
5. KIOSKS
6. LIGHT-PENETRATING SURFACE
7. BIKE PATH
8. SENECA ST. IMPROVEMENTS
9. ELEVATOR AND ESCALATOR

- CORE PROJECT AREA
- SEAWALL

Scale: 0’ 50’ 100’ 200’
Historic Piers
Union Street Pier

1. THE CLOUD
2. BAY STEPS
3. BIRCH THICKET
4. UMBRELLAS
5. KIOSK
6. BIKE PATH
7. ELEVATOR + ESCALATOR
8. UNION STREET IMPROVEMENTS
9. AQUARIUM EXPANSION AREA

- CORE PROJECT AREA
- SEAWALL
Union Street
Union Street Pier
Aquarium Expansion Study

Courtesy of Seattle Aquarium
Overlook Walk

1. OVERLOOK WALK
2. PLAY SLOPES
3. TRAIN OVERLOOK
4. GARDENS
5. BUILDING B
6. BALCONY
7. OVERLOOK DECK
8. ESCALATORS AND STAIRS
9. AMPHITHEATER STEPS
10. STAGE
11. FIX/MADORE PLAZA
12. PC-1/ PIKE PLACE MARKET

- CORE PROJECT AREA
- SEAWALL
Overlook Ramp
Overlook Amphitheater
Belltown Bluff

1. Belltown Bluff
2. Blanchard Overlook
3. Blanchard Square
4. Development Opportunities
5. Bell St. Improvements
6. Belltown Interim Improvements

Core Project Area

0' 50' 100' 200'
Blanchard Overlook
Waterfront Seattle
MAKING IT HAPPEN
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COST ESTIMATES
BASED ON 5-10% DESIGN

- City share of partner projects at Pike Place Public Market and Seattle Aquarium: $85M
- Transportation infrastructure and pedestrian promenade: $415M
- Seawall replacement: $300M
- Replacement of public piers: $85M
- New parks and open spaces: $185M

TOTAL = $1.07B

Source: CWC Strategic Plan
FUNDING SOURCES
PUBLIC + PRIVATE

- Current funding: $70M
- 30-year public seawall bond: $290M
- WSDOT: $290M
- CENTER CITY PROPERTY OWNERS/LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (LID): $200-300M
- Philanthropy/private sources: $80-120M
- Voter-approved levy or other City source: $55-65M
- City general fund: $15-85M

SECURED/PENDING FUNDING = 60%
FUTURE FUNDING = 40%
TOTAL = $1.07B

Source: CWC Strategic Plan
ACTION PLAN

HIGHLIGHTS

2013
Start Seawall phase 1 construction
Union St. pedestrian connection

2014
Local Improvement District (LID)

2015
SR 99 tunnel opens (late 2015)
Rebuild public piers

Source: CWC Strategic Plan
ACTION PLAN

HIGHLIGHTS

2016
Finish Seawall phase 1 construction
Finish viaduct demolition

2016-18
Build new:
• Alaskan Way + Elliott Way
• Pedestrian promenade
• Parks + open space

Source: CWC Strategic Plan
Welcome to Friends of Seattle Waterfront!

We are a new not-for-profit created from grassroots support for Waterfront Seattle, an effort to transform 26 blocks of the Seattle waterfront between Pioneer Square and the Olympic Sculpture Park.

We will support the City of Seattle’s Waterfront Seattle project with outreach, education, advocacy and fundraising.

We will be adding new content to this website over the next few weeks. If you’d like to stay updated on our progress and learn how you can be involved, leave us your name and contact info.

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KEY MILESTONES

Fall 2010: Begin waterfront conceptual design
January 2011 to July 2012: Robust public engagement and outreach including large civic events, interactive community forums, and briefings and workshops throughout the community
July 2012: Complete waterfront conceptual design
July 2012 to 2015: Continue robust public engagement and outreach through design and environmental review
Late 2013: Begin construction of Elliott Bay Seawall Phase 1 (Washington to Virginia Streets)
Late 2015: SR 99 tunnel opens to drivers
Early 2016: Demolish Alaskan Way Viaduct and begin construction of some Waterfront Seattle projects
THANK YOU