



MEMORANDUM

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TO: Transportation Commission

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SUBJECT: West Lake Sammamish Parkway Update PW-R-141

Purpose:

On June 10th, 2009, the City held a second West Lake Sammamish Open House to present the results of a public survey of area residents regarding which segment of the Parkway to construct first. The purpose of this briefing is to:

- Update Commissioners on the results of the public survey, and
- Request a recommendation from Commission, to be presented to Bellevue City Council on July 27, 2009, regarding which segment to be constructed first.

Project Background:

The West Lake Sammamish project was created as part of the 2007-2013 Capital Investment Program (CIP) Plan. The project description is based on the City Council adopted roadway cross-section that was developed in 2005 after an extensive public outreach effort. The Council approved cross-section includes a four-foot wide shoulder on the east side of the street, one travel lane in each direction and a 10-foot wide multi-use trail on the west side of the street separated by landscaped areas where feasible (see illustrations below).

At the April 23, 2009 Transportation Commission meeting, staff discussed the status of the project and the upcoming project activities. Upcoming activities included; a project newsletter with a public survey asking which roadway segment to construct first, a public Open House to discuss the results of the phasing survey, and a return to Transportation Commission to share results of the public survey. At this time, we would like to share with you the results of the public vote and seek Commission's recommendation on which phase to begin final design (and subsequent construction).

Results of the Public Outreach Effort:

The City received nearly 200 completed survey forms commenting on the construction improvement priorities. Of the five roadway segments presented in the project newsletter (see attached map) the clear preference (62%) was to construct the south roadway segment from SE 34th Street (traffic signal) to the I-90 roundabout (see attached graphic).

Project Budget Summary:

The current project budget is \$6.56. Million dollars. It is estimated that the design and construction of the south roadway segment (as presented at the public Open House) would cost approximately \$8 million dollars. Therefore, the current project budget is insufficient to constructing the entire south segment. To address this budget shortfall (approximately \$1.5 Million dollars), City staff is examining three options:

1. Seek additional funding (including Grant or City funding).
2. Identify project cost reduction options through a Value Engineering exercise.
3. Reduce the length of the south segment to match the available current budget.

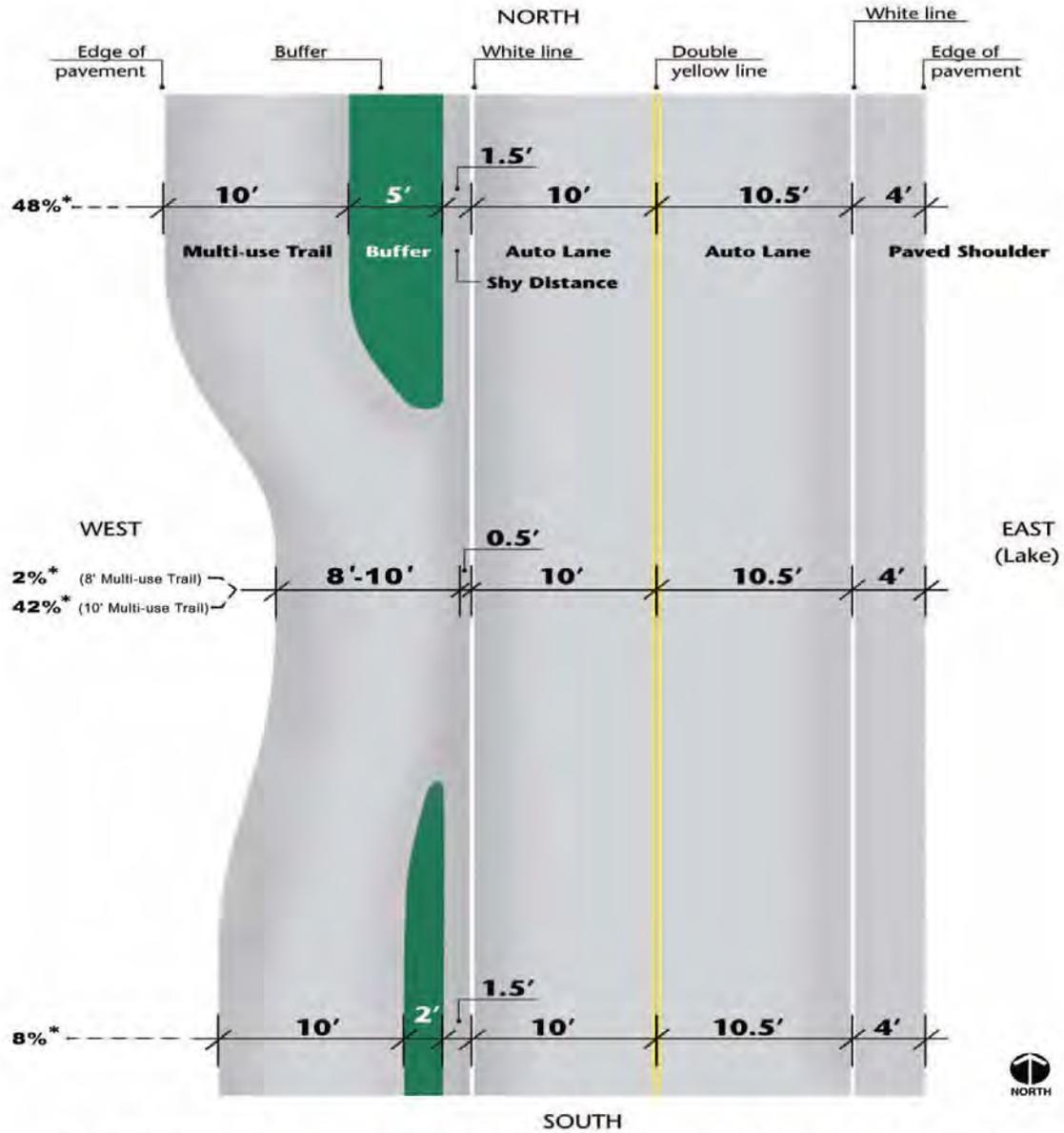
Next Step:

Staff is currently scheduled to make presentation before City Council on July 27, 2009 to present the results of the public vote and will seek Council's approval to start the final design for the first roadway segment. The final design, permitting and right-of-way acquisition phases are expected to be completed by the end of 2010 with construction starting in 2011.

Staff Contact:

If you have any questions regarding the West Lake Sammamish Parkway project, please contact me (Paul Krawczyk) at 425-452-7905 or by email at pkrawczyk@bellevuewa.us.

West Lake Sammamish Parkway Proposed Cross-section approved by Council in April 2005

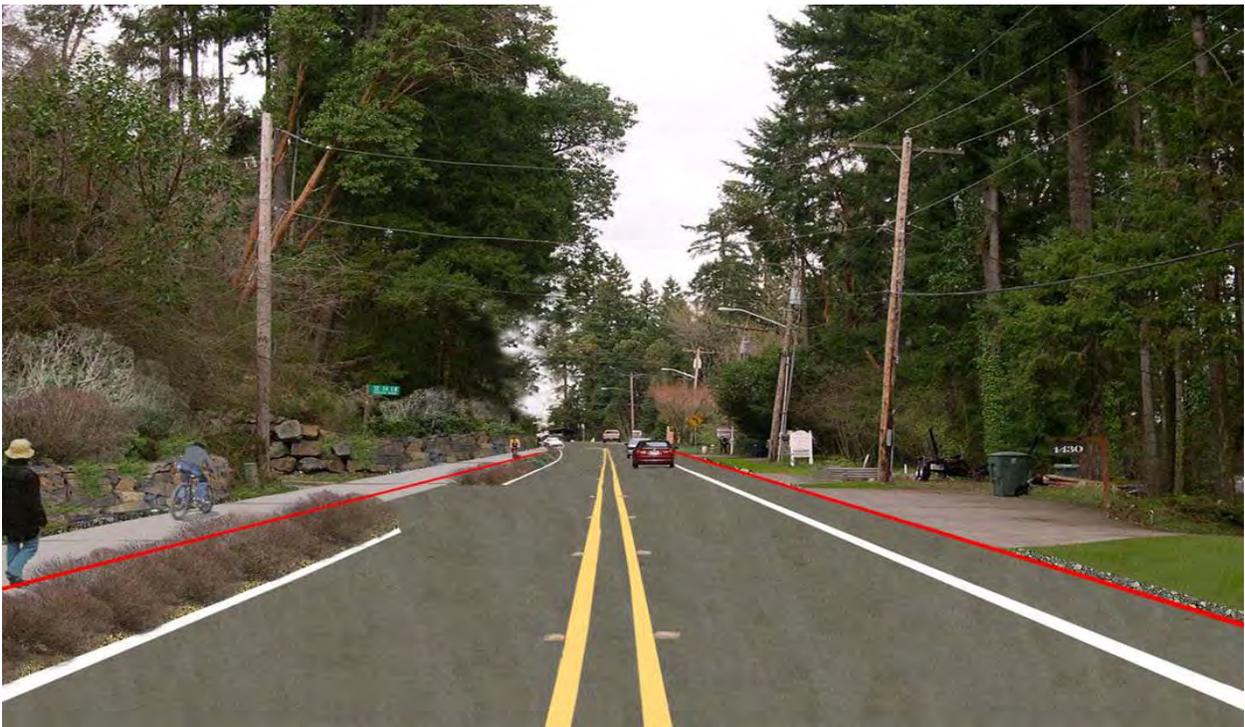


* Percents shown indicate approximate length of the overall West Lake Sammamish Parkway corridor where each type of section shown may be applied. Percents do not include driveways or side streets.

Existing Roadway



Example of Potential Roadway Section

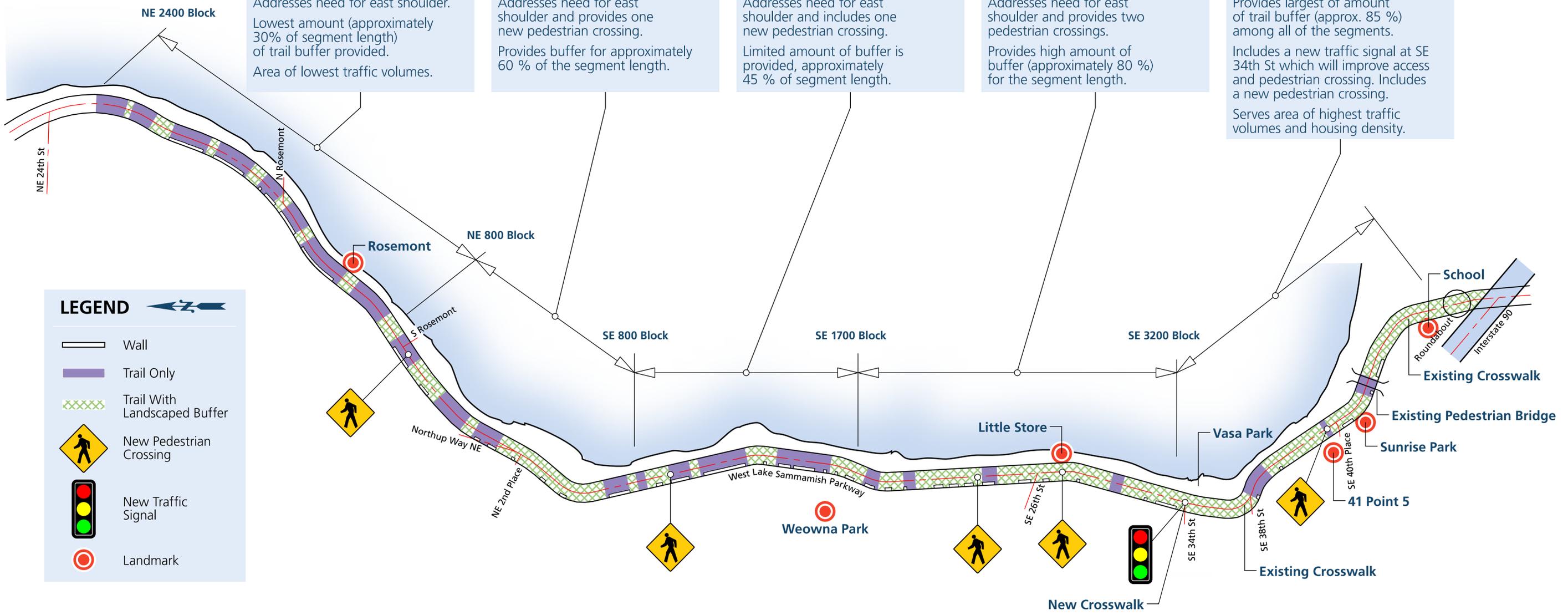




WEST LAKE SAMMAMISH PARKWAY IMPROVEMENTS SURVEY SUMMARY



% of Responses	18%	7%	4%	9%	62%
	NORTH SEGMENT	NORTH CENTRAL SEGMENT	CENTRAL SEGMENT	SOUTH CENTRAL SEGMENT	SOUTH SEGMENT
Segment Length	6,600ft	4,800ft	3,900ft	5,100ft	6,000ft
Cost Per Foot / Total Cost	\$1,200 / \$7.9M	\$1,165 / \$5.6M	\$1,305 / \$5.1M	\$1,195 / \$6.1M	\$1,335 / \$8.0M
Amount of Proposed Landscape Buffer Added	29%	61%	44%	82%	83%
Additional Information	Addresses need for east shoulder. Lowest amount (approximately 30% of segment length) of trail buffer provided. Area of lowest traffic volumes.	Addresses need for east shoulder and provides one new pedestrian crossing. Provides buffer for approximately 60% of the segment length.	Addresses need for east shoulder and includes one new pedestrian crossing. Limited amount of buffer is provided, approximately 45% of segment length.	Addresses need for east shoulder and provides two pedestrian crossings. Provides high amount of buffer (approximately 80%) for the segment length.	Provides largest amount of trail buffer (approx. 85%) among all of the segments. Includes a new traffic signal at SE 34th St which will improve access and pedestrian crossing. Includes a new pedestrian crossing. Serves area of highest traffic volumes and housing density.



LEGEND

- Wall
- Trail Only
- Trail With Landscaped Buffer
- New Pedestrian Crossing
- New Traffic Signal
- Landmark



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