



Kent Station Access Improvements

Project Introduction – January 2017

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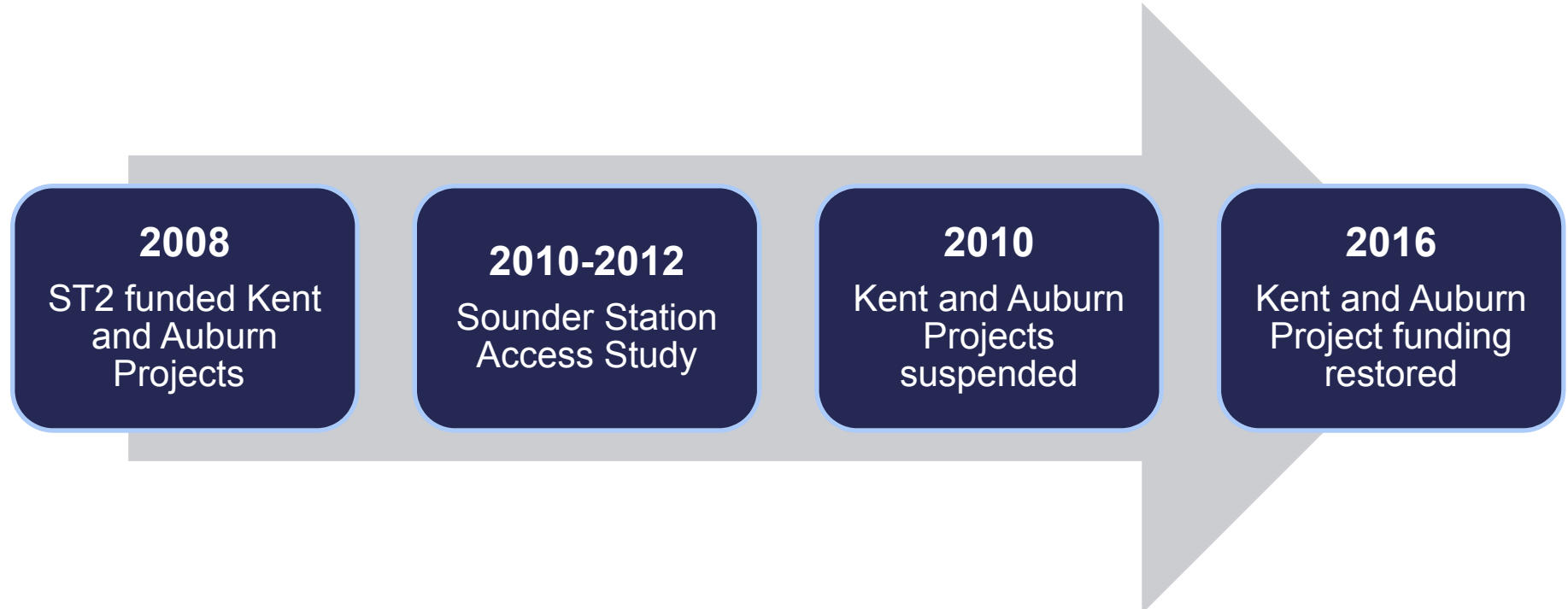
Kent Station Access Improvements



Auburn Station Access Improvements



Project Background – How did we get here?



Project Background – ST2

Kent Station Access Improvements



Auburn Station Access Improvements



Purpose: To increase access for all riders to the Sounder stations.

Project Background – ST2 Representative Scope

Kent Station Access Improvements

Construct 450-stall multi-level parking structure.

Estimated Cost: \$33.1 Million in 2016 Dollars



Project Background – ST2

Flexible Access to ST Facilities

Examine alternatives to expanded parking that would meet demand and riders' needs.

Potential Strategies Include:

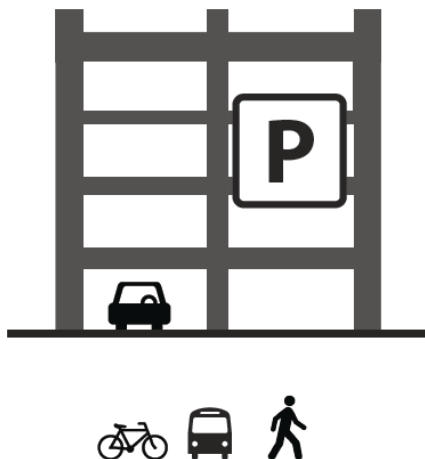
- Pedestrian/bicycle improvements
- Additional bus/transfer facilities
- Transit speed and reliability improvements
- Expanded or new kiss-and-ride areas
- Off-site parking along an existing bus route with frequent connections

Could result in a mix of improvements along with or instead of parking

Project Background – ST2

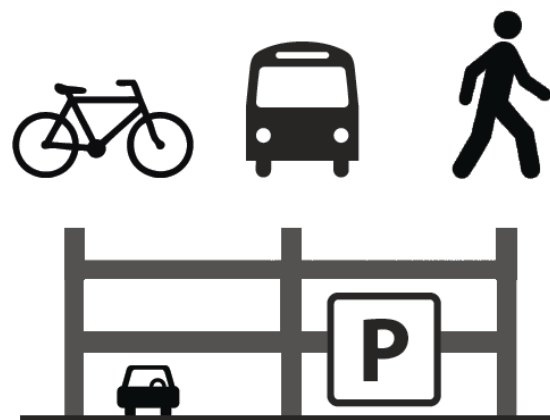
Planning effort will determine the most effective and affordable mix of improvements

Option 1

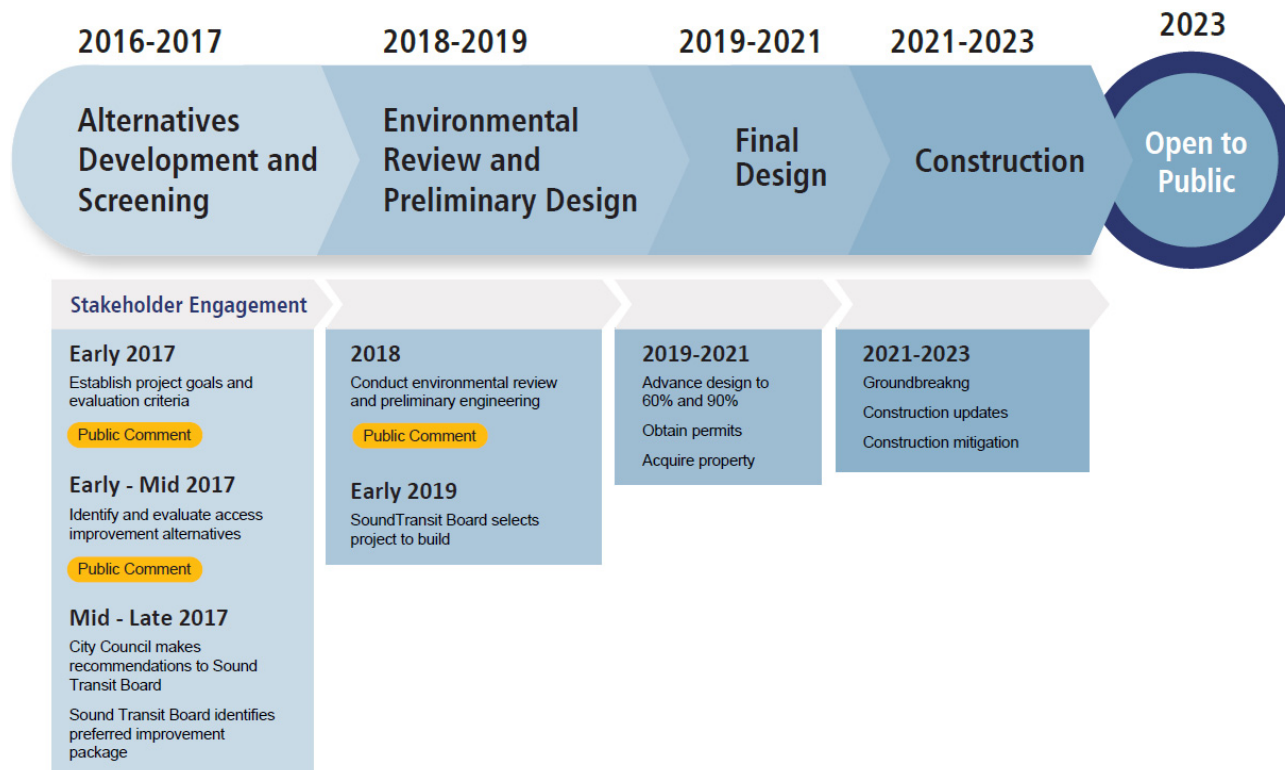


or

Option 2



Project Timeline

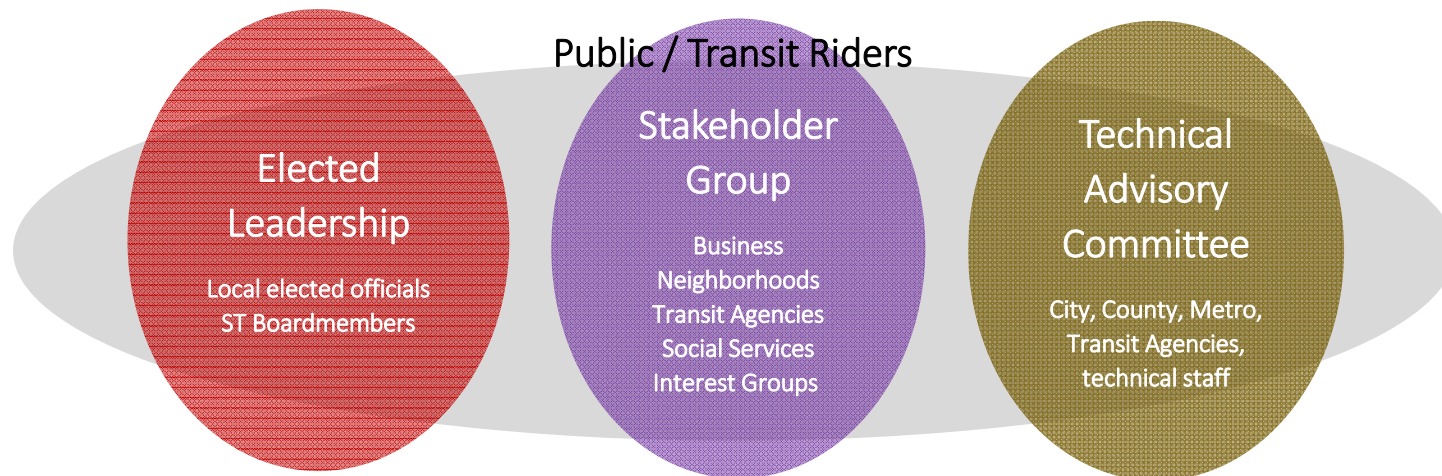


Strategies for Expediting Project Delivery

- Political/stakeholder buy-in on alternatives
- Early identification of preferred improvements
- Streamlined environmental and permitting processes
- Early decision on project delivery approach
- ROW Acquisition

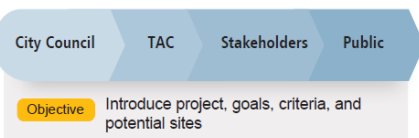
Stakeholder Engagement

Sound Transit Project Team

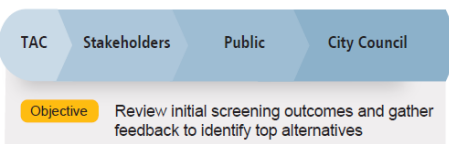


Stakeholder Engagement Schedule

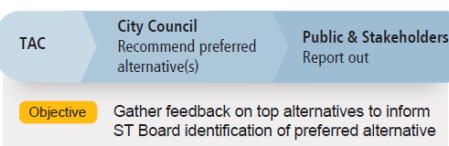
Round 1: Project Introduction January – February 2017



Round 2: Alternatives Screening March – April 2017



Round 3: Preferred Alternative Identification May – August 2017



ST Board
identifies
preferred
alternative

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Stakeholder Engagement



Elected
Leadership

Local elected officials
ST Boardmembers

- Elected Leadership:
 - Mayor
 - City Council
 - Sound Transit Boardmembers
- Briefings/Workshops at key milestones in 2017
 - Jan-Feb: Project Introduction
 - Mar-Apr: Alternatives Screening
 - May-Aug: Preferred Alternative Recommendation

Stakeholder Engagement



Stakeholder Group

Business
Neighborhoods
Transit Agencies
Social Services
Interest Groups

- Membership (to be confirmed):
 - Kent Downtown Partnership
 - Kent Chamber of Commerce
 - Transit Rider(s)
 - Neighborhood Councils/Local Resident(s)
 - Local Business(es)/Employer(s)
 - Property Owner(s)
 - Green River Community College
 - Interested Stakeholders (bicyclists, ADA, social service)

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Stakeholder Engagement



Technical
Advisory
Committee

City, County, Metro,
Transit Agencies,
technical staff

- Membership:
 - City of Kent
 - City of Auburn
 - Sound Transit
 - King County Metro
 - Pierce Transit
- Monthly meetings (initiated on Nov. 16, 2016)

Stakeholder Engagement

Public / Transit Riders

- Two open houses:
 - Feb 2017: Project introduction, goals, criteria
 - Apr 2017: Alternatives screening outcomes, feedback on top alternatives
- Updates via project website, folios, listserv, e-mail

Next Steps

- Project Introduction
 - Stakeholder Workshop - Week of Jan 30
 - Open House - Feb 8, 3:30-6:30 PM, Green River College

Questions & Answers



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