

VII. STANDING COMMITTEES

A. Academic and Student Affairs Committee

In Joint Session with

B. Finance, Audit and Facilities Committee

Sound Transit, Rainier Vista and Montlake Triangle Update

This will be an oral report for information only.

Update:
Sound Transit Pedestrian Bridge,
Rainier Vista Land Bridge
and SR 520

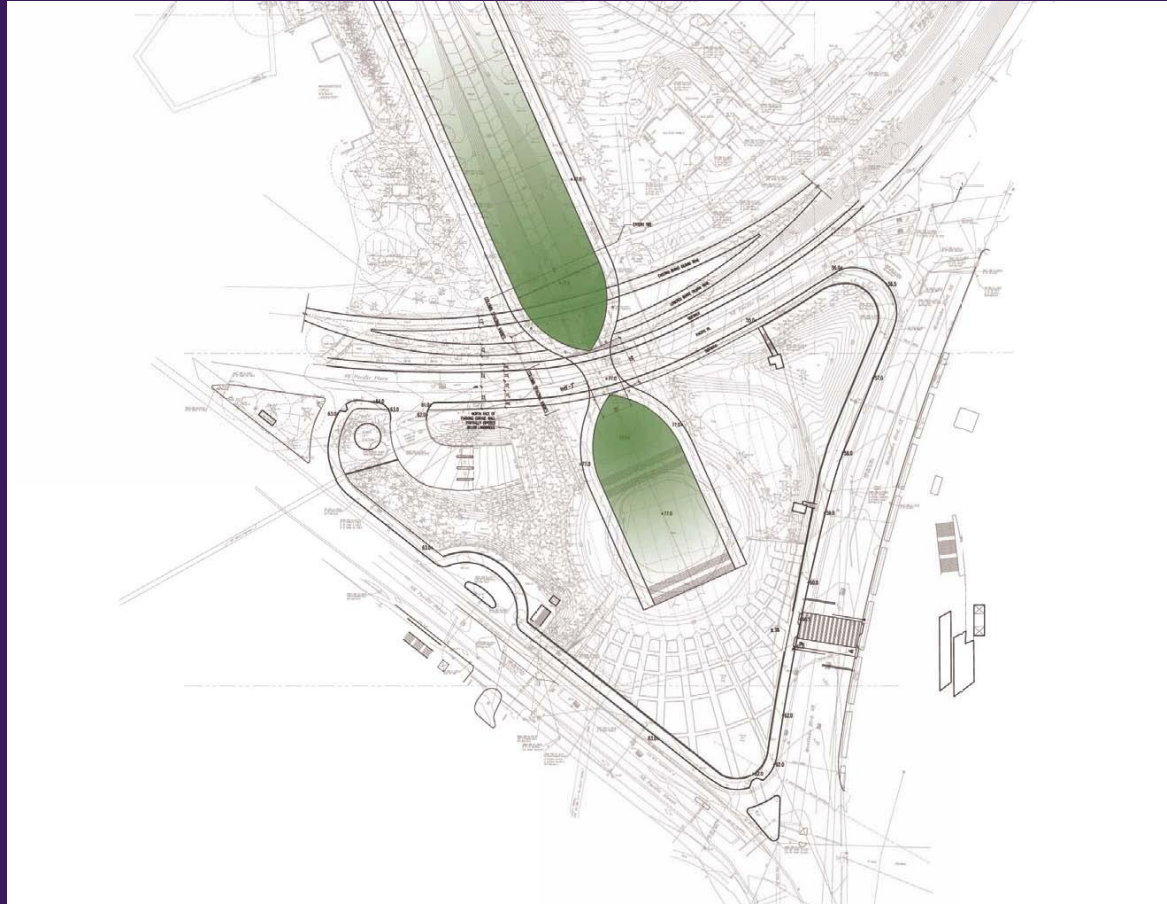
History of Sound Transit Pedestrian Bridge

- **November 2008** - Regents Approved Sound Transit (ST) Pedestrian Bridge at Montlake
- **July 2009** - City of Seattle requests a new design that responds to the City of Seattle's Complete Streets policy
- **January 2010** – Regents presentation on Rainier Vista Land bridge
- **January 2010** – UW, ST and City of Seattle agree on Rainier Vista (RV) concept instead of ST pedestrian overpass
- **February 2010** - Funding for ST/UW and City agreement in jeopardy because of City's financial shortfalls
- **April 2010** – WSDOT announces SR 520 Preferred Alternative (PA) which includes a grade separated pedestrian crossing of Montlake
- **June/July 2010** – WSDOT initiates meetings to design a grade separated pedestrian crossing of Montlake that meets UW, ST, City, WSDOT and Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 6392 requirements.
- **August 2010** – UW, ST, City and WSDOT agree on a ST Pedestrian Bridge of Montlake that is paired with the RV Land bridge

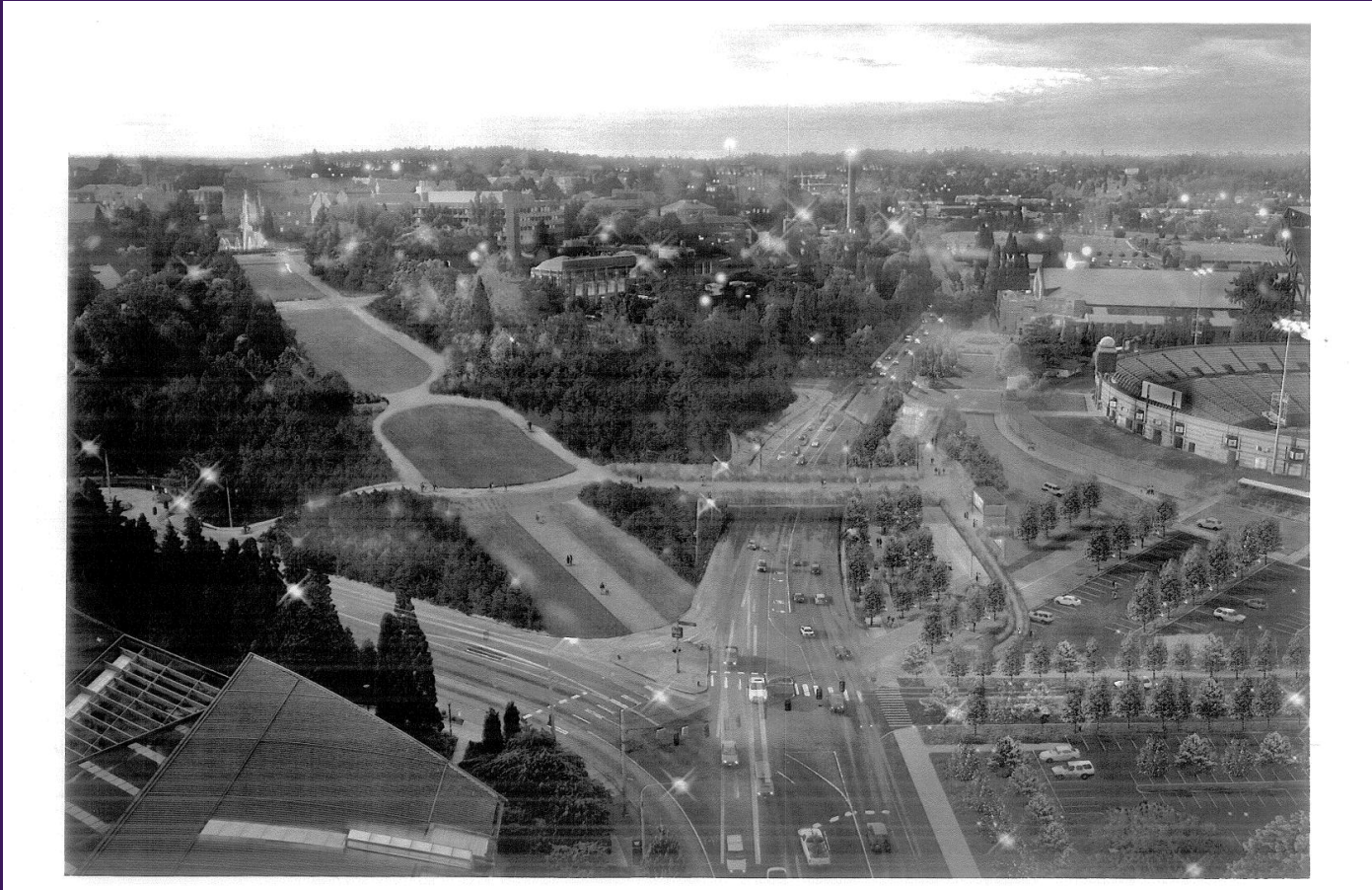
Approved Sound Transit Pedestrian Bridge



Rainier Vista Land bridge



Conceptual drawing of Sound Transit Pedestrian Bridge paired with Rainier Vista Land Bridge



Next Steps: Sound Transit Pedestrian Bridge and Rainier Vista Land Bridge

- **September 2010**
 - Five agency term sheet agreement (UW, ST, City, WSDOT and Metro) on roles and responsibilities
- **October - December 2010**
 - Three party (UW, ST and WSDOT) funding agreement and five agency Memorandum of Understanding (UW, ST, City, WSDOT and Metro) each agency to complete the ST Pedestrian bridge and Rainier Vista Land bridge
- **December 2010**
 - CUCAC reviews and comments on new design for Sound Transit Pedestrian bridge and Rainier Vista Land bridge
 - Architectural Commission approves new design for Sound Transit Pedestrian bridge and Rainier Vista Land bridge
- **January 2011**
 - Regents approve the Memorandum of Agreement that funds and builds the ST Pedestrian bridge and Rainier Vista Land bridge and approve the new design



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SR 520 Bridge Replacement and HOV Program

I-5 to Medina: Bridge Replacement and HOV Project



Montlake Triangle Charrette: Moving Forward

LEGEND:

- Bike/ped bridge
- Rainier Vista landscape area
- Bike/ped path



Elements included in concept design refinement:

Led by Sound Transit

- 1** 30- to 34-foot-wide bridge to the Montlake Triangle from the University Link Station.
- 2** Bicycle access ramp west of the Station.
- 3** Per the Sound Transit plan, at-grade enhancements at NE Pacific Street and Montlake Boulevard NE intersections.
- 4** Side-by-side paths for bicycles and pedestrians on the east side of Montlake Boulevard NE.
- 5** Stairs and elevators to Montlake Boulevard.

Led by SDOT

- 12** Additional Pacific Street crosswalk.
- 13** Modified Montlake Boulevard to NE Pacific Place right turn.

Led by University of Washington

- 6** Implementation of Rainier Vista design, including lowered Pacific Place and expansion of bus layover space.
- 7** Connection to NE Pacific Street bus stop.
- 8** Relocated and improved bus stop.
- 9** Improved bus stop.
- 10** Widened Burke-Gilman Trail between Hec Edmundson Pavilion Bridge and the Hitchcock Bridge.
- 11** Enhanced pedestrian/bicycle connections between bridge and Burke-Gilman trail.

August 2010