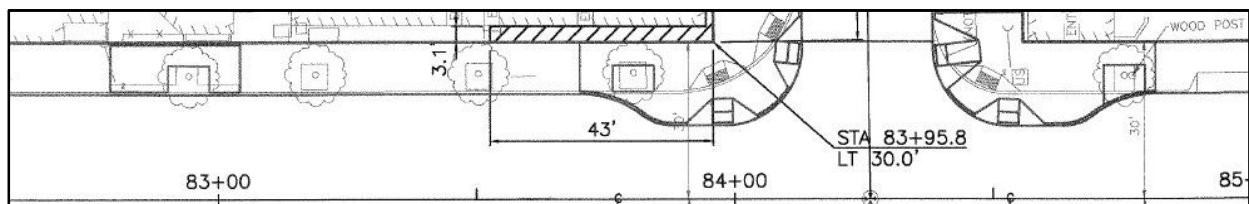




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The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan for the Seattle Public Right-of-Way

Appendix 3.4b: SDOT Additional Public Outreach Efforts





SDOT Additional Public Outreach Efforts

The following is a listing of additional SDOT public outreach efforts (not including PAAC meetings). Meeting agenda, minutes, or other related material may be available upon request.

2015 Documented Public Outreach Efforts

Event/Meeting:	Pioneer Square Accessibility Walk
Description:	Participants used a wheelchair to experience the mobility challenges in the Pioneer Square area to help understand different pedestrian needs.
Date:	April 9, 2015
Location:	Pioneer Square
Participants:	Alliance for Pioneer Square; We Will Find a Way; Seattle University; SDOT ADA Coordinator and SDOT Engineering Services

Event/Meeting:	National Federation of the Blind Chapter Meeting
Description:	SDOT ADA Coordinator meets the Seattle Chapter and discusses accessibility concerns in the Seattle public right-of-way.
Date:	May 16, 2015
Location:	City University of Seattle
Participants:	National Federation of the Blind, Seattle Chapter, SDOT ADA Coordinator

Event/Meeting:	Blindness Observation/Simulation
Description:	SDOT ADA Coordinator invited to observe blind use of the public right-of-way and to participate in a blindness simulation to better understand improvement needs to relay to engineering staff. Included experiencing the challenges of broken sidewalks and tree uprooting.
Date:	June 26, 2016
Location:	Madrona neighborhood
Participants:	Blind resident, SDOT ADA Coordinator

Event/Meeting:	Feet First Rolling Walk-shop
Description:	Public meeting offering a walking tour of the Pioneer Square / International District area to discuss the needs and challenges of people living with disabilities.
Date:	September 12, 2015
Location:	Pioneer Square and International District
Participants:	Feet First, Alliance for Pioneer Square, City of Seattle, the general public

Event/Meeting:	Commission for People with Disabilities Meeting
Description:	SDOT ADA Coordinator meets the Commission and talks about curb ramps and the needs/priorities for people living with disabilities.
Date:	October 15, 2015
Location:	Seattle City Hall
Participants:	Seattle Commission for People with Disabilities, SDOT ADA Coordinator

Event/Meeting:	National Cane Day Walk at the Lighthouse for the Blind
Description:	Interactive walk with mobility specialists and people living with visual impairments. Discussed improvements to the right-of-way made by SDOT and additional needed improvements.
Date:	October 15, 2015
Location:	Lighthouse for the Blind and surrounding area
Participants:	Lighthouse for the Blind, SDOT ADA Program

Event/Meeting:	Lighthouse for the Blind Blindness Simulation
Description:	Blindness simulation to experience challenges of negotiating public sidewalks and access to transit facilities.
Date:	November 4, 2015
Location:	Seattle Municipal Tower, Link light rail stations and transit facilities downtown, Pioneer Square, and in the International District
Participants:	Lighthouse for the Blind mobility instructors and employees, disability advocates, SDOT ADA Coordinator, SDOT design engineers

2016 Documented Public Outreach Efforts

Event/Meeting:	Seattle University Accessibility Focus Group
Description:	Meeting with students and accessibility specialists to discuss access needs for students living with disabilities. Included in the discussion was access from transit routes to campus.
Date:	February 24, 2016
Location:	Seattle University
Participants:	SU students, accessibility specialists, SDOT ADA Program

Event/Meeting:	Lighthouse for the Blind Team Action Meeting
Description:	Meeting held to discuss the 23 rd Avenue planned improvements but also general needs of blind and Deaf-Blind pedestrians.
Date:	May 17, 2016
Location:	Lighthouse for the Blind
Participants:	Lighthouse for the Blind mobility instructors and employees, blind and Deaf-Blind individuals

Event/Meeting:	Deaf-Blind Observation
Description:	SDOT ADA Program invited to observe Deaf-Blind use of the public right-of-way and public transit to better understand improvement needs to relay to engineering staff.
Date:	May 23, 2016
Location:	Capitol Hill, University District
Participants:	Lighthouse for the Blind mobility instructor, Deaf-Blind employee, SDOT ADA Program

Event/Meeting:	Deaf-Blind Observation
Description:	SDOT ADA Program invited to observe Deaf-Blind use of the public right-of-way and public transit to better understand improvement needs to relay to engineering staff.
Date:	May 31, 2016
Location:	Pioneer Square, International District, Mt Baker
Participants:	Lighthouse for the Blind mobility instructor, Deaf-Blind employee, SDOT ADA Program

Event/Meeting:	Seattle Waterfront Mobility Observation
Description:	SDOT ADA Program met with an individual that uses a power wheelchair to understand the challenges of accessing the Seattle Waterfront area, stadiums, and ferry terminal.
Date:	July 7, 2016
Location:	Seattle Waterfront
Participants:	Power wheelchair user, SDOT ADA Program

Event/Meeting:	SDOT Curb Ramp Outreach
Description:	SDOT held a public outreach meeting to help determine the needs and priorities for curb ramp installations and improvements, as well as other public right-of-way needs for pedestrians living with disabilities. Refer to Section 6.0 under Appendix 5.1b: 2016 SDOT Curb Ramp Survey Results for additional information, including a survey form used and a mapping of recommended priorities using the results of the survey.
Date:	November 1, 2016
Location:	Center City Community Room
Participants:	Seattle Title II ADA Coordinator, SDOT ADA Coordinator, representatives from City departments, the general public

Event/Meeting:	Vertical Access Workshop
Description:	SDOT ADA Program and Seattle Title II ADA Coordinator assemble a committee to discuss challenges of downtown Seattle vertical access due to steep hills and possible solutions.
Date:	November 3, 2016
Location:	University of Washington
Participants:	Accessibility professionals/advocates from Seattle University, King County Metro, Sound Transit, WSDOT, Seattle Commission for People with Disabilities, SDOT ADA Program

Event/Meeting:	Washington Council of the Blind Conference
Description:	SDOT ADA Coordinator and Seattle Title II ADA Coordinator set up a booth at the conference to collect feedback (challenges, priorities) from those living with visual impairments.
Date:	November 4, 2016
Location:	SeaTac Hilton
Participants:	Washington Council of the Blind, the general public

2017 Documented Public Outreach Efforts

Event/Meeting:	Washington Council of the Blind Meeting, King County Chapter
Description:	SDOT ADA Coordinator met with the regional chapter to discuss needs and priorities for people in the region living with visual impairments.
Date:	January 28, 2017
Location:	Blue Star Café (Seattle)
Participants:	Washington Council for the Blind, King County Chapter, SDOT ADA Coordinator

Event/Meeting:	Vertical Access Workshop
Description:	SDOT ADA Program and Seattle Title II ADA Coordinator continue efforts with the committee to discuss challenges of downtown Seattle vertical access due to steep hills and possible solutions.
Date:	March 2, 2017
Location:	Seattle Municipal Tower
Participants:	Accessibility professionals/advocates from Commission for People with Disabilities, Solid Ground, Lighthouse for the Blind, SDOT ADA Program

Event/Meeting:	Deaf-Blind Observation
Description:	SDOT ADA Program invited to observe Deaf-Blind use of the public right-of-way and public transit to better understand improvement needs to relay to engineering staff.
Date:	April 25, 2017
Location:	23 rd Avenue Corridor
Participants:	Lighthouse for the Blind mobility instructor, Deaf-Blind employee, SDOT ADA Coordinator

Event/Meeting:	FHWA Blindness and Tactile Guidance Workshop
Description:	Two-day workshop to discuss the needs of pedestrians living with visual impairments and Deaf-Blind. Discussed possible tactile treatments to assist with wayfinding and discussed improvements made on-site in several locations in Seattle.
Date:	June 14, 2017
Location:	Seattle
Participants:	Accessibility professionals/advocates from FHWA, WSDOT, Toole Design, Lighthouse for the Blind, SDOT, the general public

Event/Meeting:	Bite of Seattle Outreach
Description:	The Seattle Title II ADA Coordinator organized participation at the event. City employees from multiple departments set up a booth and engaged the public with a disability questionnaire to determine needs and priorities for improvement.
Date:	July 21, 2017
Location:	Seattle Center
Participants:	Seattle Title II ADA Coordinator, SDOT ADA Coordinator, representatives from City departments, the general public

Event/Meeting:	Transit Island Review
Description:	SDOT ADA Coordinator met with the Lighthouse for the Blind mobility instructor to discuss the needs and priorities for blind and Deaf-Blind pedestrians at transit islands.
Date:	July 24, 2017
Location:	Transit Islands on Mercer Ave, Roosevelt Ave, International District, and Broadway Ave
Participants:	Lighthouse for the Blind mobility instructor, SDOT ADA Coordinator

Event/Meeting:	Barrier Removal Prioritization
Description:	The Seattle Title II ADA Coordinator organized participation at the event. The purpose of the event was to establish priorities for barrier removal as identified in the City and SDOT ADA Transition Plans.
Date:	September 26, 2017
Location:	Broadview Public Library
Participants:	Seattle Title II ADA Coordinator, SDOT ADA Coordinator, representatives from City departments, the general public

Event/Meeting:	Blind and Deaf-Blind Needs and Tactile Applications Discussion
Description:	The SDOT ADA Coordinator met with a Lighthouse for the Blind mobility instructor to discuss needs for pedestrians with visual impairments and the Deaf-Blind and to discuss potential tactile treatments in the public right-of-way.
Date:	September 27, 2017
Location:	Ballard
Participants:	Lighthouse for the Blind mobility instructor, SDOT ADA Coordinator

Event/Meeting:	Deaf-Blind Outreach
Description:	The Seattle Title II ADA Coordinator organized participation at the event. The Deaf-Blind community was engaged to determine needs and priorities for barrier removal as identified in the City and SDOT ADA Transition Plans. An SDOT survey was conducted by which participants shared priorities and examples of successful pedestrian treatments.
Date:	November 4, 2017
Location:	Douglas Truth Public Library
Participants:	Seattle Title II ADA Coordinator, SDOT ADA Coordinator, representatives from City departments, the general public

Event/Meeting:	Deaf-Blind Observation
Description:	SDOT ADA Program invited to observe Deaf-Blind use of the public right-of-way and public transit to better understand improvement needs to relay to engineering staff.
Date:	November 30, 2017
Location:	Central Business District (Union Station, Pioneer Square Station)
Participants:	Lighthouse for the Blind mobility instructor, Deaf Blind Service Center mobility instructor, Deaf-Blind individual, SDOT ADA Program

2018 Documented Public Outreach Efforts

Event/Meeting:	Office of the Waterfront: Disabilities Roundtable
Description:	SDOT ADA Coordinator and the Office of the Waterfront met with a group of people living with disabilities and mobility instructors to discuss proposed improvements as part of the Waterfront project, including tactile features, detectable warning, and other accessibility-related components.
Date:	March 2, 2018
Location:	Bank of America Building, Waterfront Office
Participants:	SDOT ADA Coordinator, Office of the Waterfront Staff, Mobility Instructors, Individuals Living with Disabilities

Event/Meeting:	SDOT Dock-Less Bike Share Public Outreach
Description:	SDOT ADA Coordinator and Transit and Mobility Division representatives hold a public engagement meeting with the disabled community to listen to concerns relative to mobility and the dock-less bike share program.
Date:	March 2, 2018
Location:	Seattle Public Library (Main Branch)
Participants:	SDOT ADA Coordinator, SDOT Transit and Mobility Division staff, Mobility Instructors, Individuals Living with Disabilities

Event/Meeting:	Programs and Facilities Meeting for People with Disabilities
Description:	Seattle Parks and Recreation facilitated, with support from SDOT, a community meeting to receive feedback from people living with disabilities. Discussed were parks facilities, programs, summer camps, and after care. SDOT received important feedback on Seattle curb ramps and sidewalks.
Date:	March 12, 2018
Location:	Rainier Beach Community Center
Participants:	SDOT ADA Coordinator, Seattle Parks and Recreation Staff, Individuals Living with Disabilities

Event/Meeting:	Tactile Guidance Customer-Based Feedback
Description:	SDOT met with key stakeholders to observe and collect important feedback on the tactile guidance strips installed to provide information to pedestrians with low or no vision. The tactile features are intended to provide a detectable delineation between bike and pedestrian facilities.
Date:	April 20, 2018
Location:	7 th Avenue Protected Bike Lane (7 th Ave and Virginia)
Participants:	SDOT ADA Program, SDOT City Traffic Engineer, Mobility Instructors, Individuals Living with Disabilities

Event/Meeting:	Office of the Waterfront: Tactile Guidance Customer-Based Feedback
Description:	SDOT met with key stakeholders to observe and collect important feedback on the weathered steel (cast iron) truncated domes installed in the Pioneer Square area.
Date:	July 23, 2018

Location:	Pioneer Square
Participants:	SDOT ADA Coordinator, Office of the Waterfront Staff, Mobility Instructors, Individuals Living with Disabilities

Event/Meeting:	23rd Ave Reconstruction Review
Description:	SDOT ADA Coordinator met with the Lighthouse for the Blind mobility instructor to discuss the ongoing improvements to the 23 rd Ave corridor and impacts to blind and Deaf-Blind individuals accessing the area.
Date:	August 21, 2018
Location:	23 rd Avenue Corridor
Participants:	Lighthouse for the Blind mobility instructor, SDOT ADA Coordinator

Event/Meeting:	Seattle Center Arena Accessibility Listening Session
Description:	Seattle Center facilitated a public outreach with the disabled community, represented by people with various disabilities, to discuss the planned renovations of the Seattle Center Arena (currently known as Key Arena). Discussed were arena features, both external and internal, that can help people with disabilities have a better arena experience. SDOT received important feedback on features in the public right-of-way that can help people access the arena, such as sidewalks, curb ramps, parking, and loading zones.
Date:	August 23, 2018
Location:	McCaw Hall (Allen Room)
Participants:	SDOT ADA Coordinator

Event/Meeting:	ADA Work Group Meeting (Seattle Central Library): Curb Cut Discussion
Description:	Seattle Public Libraries facilitated an ADA work group open to the public. This particular work group was focused on curb ramps and accessibility in the Seattle public right-of-way.
Date:	September 25, 2018
Location:	Seattle Central Library, 4 th Floor (Room 2)
Participants:	SDOT ADA Coordinator, Seattle Public Libraries Staff, Individuals Living with Disabilities

Event/Meeting:	Greater Seattle National Federation of the Blind Chapter Meeting: Accessible Public Right-of-Way Presentation
Description:	The SDOT ADA Coordinator presented at the NFB Seattle Chapter meeting to discuss current and ongoing efforts in complying with the ADA and improving access in the Seattle public right-of-way.
Date:	October 20, 2018
Location:	City University of Seattle, 521 Wall St (Calgary Room)
Participants:	SDOT ADA Coordinator, Seattle NFB Chapter participants

Event/Meeting:	Deaf-Blind Observation
Description:	SDOT ADA Program invited to observe Deaf-Blind use of the public right-of-way and public transit to better understand improvement needs to relay to engineering staff.
Date:	October 19, 2018
Location:	Areas Adjacent to Lighthouse for the Blind
Participants:	Lighthouse for the Blind mobility instructor, Deaf-Blind employee, SDOT ADA Program

Event/Meeting:	Age Friendly Coffee Hour
Description:	The SDOT ADA Coordinator presented at Age Friendly Coffee Hour to discuss current and ongoing efforts in complying with the ADA and improving access in the Seattle public right-of-way.
Date:	November 15, 2018
Location:	810 3 rd Avenue (Central Building)
Participants:	SDOT ADA Coordinator, King County Metro ADA Coordinator, Age Friendly participants

2019 Documented Public Outreach Efforts

Event/Meeting:	SDOT Meeting with Disability Rights Washington
Description:	The new SDOT Director, Sam Zimbabwe, and the ADA Coordinator met with Disability Rights Washington to discuss accessibility issues/concerns in the Seattle public right-of-way.
Date:	April 5, 2019
Location:	SDOT (Director's Office)
Participants:	SDOT Director, SDOT ADA Coordinator, Select Representatives from Disability Rights Washington

Event/Meeting:	Rooted in Rights Film Festival
Description:	Film festival showcasing videos produced by Rooted in Rights. City of Seattle and SDOT tabled at the event to network and receive public feedback on efforts or areas needing improvement.
Date:	May 7 th , 2019
Location:	Town Hall Seattle, 1119 8 th Ave
Participants:	SDOT ADA Coordinator, Seattle Title II ADA Coordinator, Disability Rights Washington/Rooted in Rights, General Public

Event/Meeting:	How to Plan an Accessible Event Forum
Description:	Event aimed at informing people how to plan an accessible event. City of Seattle and SDOT tabled at the event to network and receive public feedback on efforts or areas needing improvement.
Date:	May 30 th , 2019
Location:	Bertha Knight Landes Room, Seattle City Hall
Participants:	SDOT ADA Coordinator, Seattle Title II ADA Coordinator, General Public

Event/Meeting:	SDOT Meeting with Lighthouse for the Blind
Description:	Met with mobility instructors at the Lighthouse to discuss projects impacting access to their facility as well as general needs for blind and Deaf-Blind pedestrians.
Date:	November 8, 2019
Location:	Lighthouse for the Blind
Participants:	SDOT ADA Coordinator