## Martin Way Park-and-Ride Direct Access Project Update

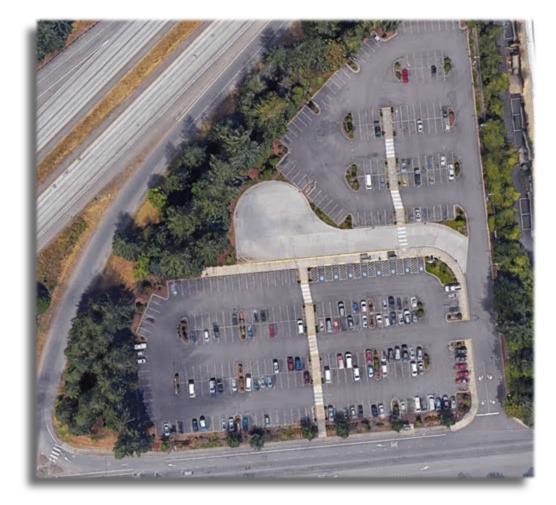
Intercity Transit Authority

Eric Phillips, Development Director

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### **Direct Access Project - Martin Way Park-and-Ride Project Overview**



Multi-faceted project will:

- Improve Operations
- Reduce Trip Times for Riders
- Enhance operator comfort and security

Include Internal IT team to support facility design and operations

Construction from July 2022 – June 2023



### **Project Support**

### Intercity Transit Project Team:

- Eric Phillips Development Director
- Thera Black Project Coordinator
- Tammy Ferris Procurement Coordinator

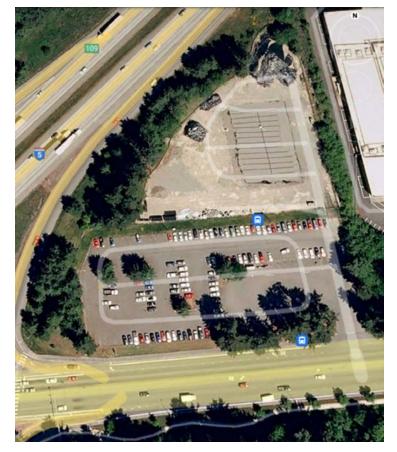
### Consultant Team: SCJ Alliance, Lead and MSG architects Sub

- Patrick Holm PE, Project Lead SCJ
- Scott Sawyer, PE, Principal SCJ
- Garner Miller, Architect, MSG
- WSDOT Project Support Traffic, Access, Environmental, Operations, Planning OR and HQ staff.
- IT Project Development Team includes Facilities, Operations, IS, Planning and Procurement staff.



### Martin Way Park-and-Ride History

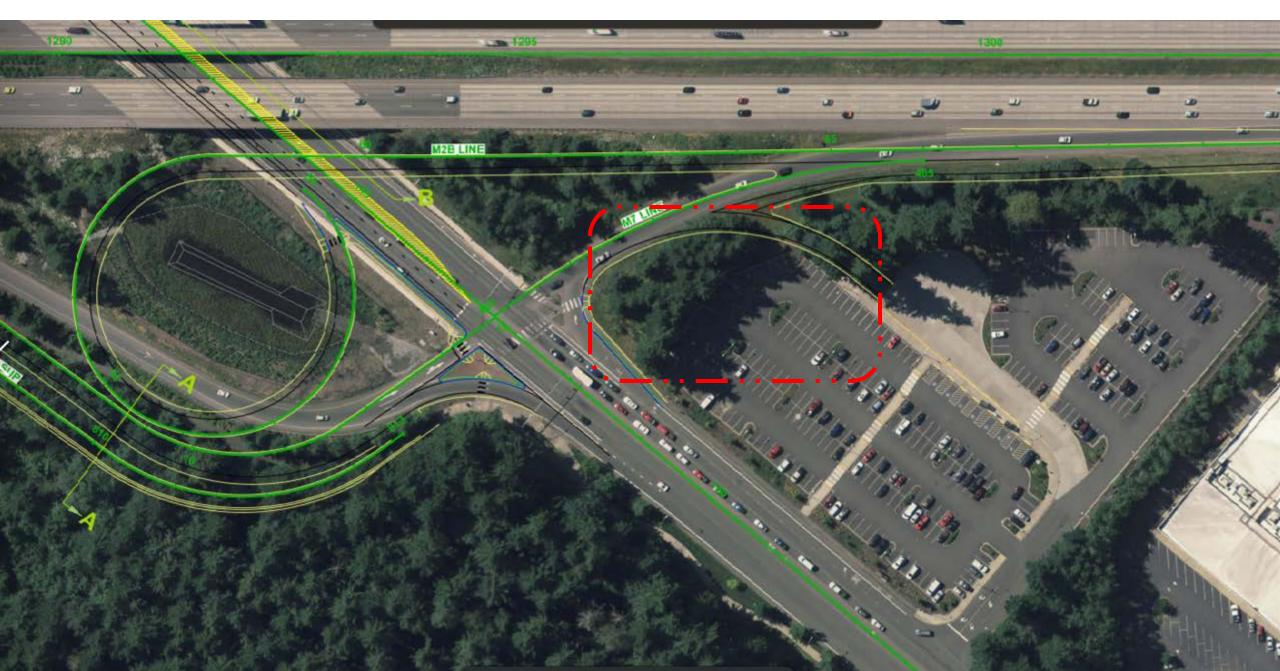








### Future Changes planned: Martin Way Park-and-Ride – 2015 I-5/Martin Way IJR



## The project was identified and has been listed as a regionally significant project for a long time:

- I-5\Martin Way Interchange Justification Report (IJR)
- TRPC 2045 Regional Transportation Plan, (Appendix L, Project–T4)
- Intercity Transit Short- and Long-Range Plan
- Intercity Transit TIP
- Martin Way Corridor Study
- Intercity Transit 2022-2027 Strategic Plan
- Intercity Transit 2021-2026 Transit Development Plan
- WSDOT I-5: Tumwater to Mounts Road Corridor Planning and Environmental Studies Linkage Report

Local, State, and Regional Transportation Improvements Plans



### Martin Way Park-and-Ride Project - Conditions (problems) we will tackle

- Unprotected left turn into Martin Way Park-and-Ride across three lanes of traffic can be a safety issue and is difficult when congested due to signal queues & challenging when traffic is free-flowing due to variable traffic speeds on Martin Way.
- Delays create running time unpredictability affecting route schedules, adding 5-7 minutes to the one-way Olympia Express trip during peak periods and costing IT an estimated \$350,000 - \$400,000 a year due to recurring congestion & delays built into the public schedule.
- Delays getting into and out of the P&R add to inconvenience and unreliability for customers, accounting for 15% of travel time on average between Olympia and Lakewood and discouraging potential growth and retention in ridership



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### **Project Benefits for IT**

- Protected Movements: "Transit Only" Direct access from the I-5 NB onramp will allow IT to use the intersection and ramp traffic signals providing protected turn movements into the Park and Ride and create one-way flow for buses.
- Schedule Predictability: once operational we will begin a process to revise running times to capture the schedule savings providing the opportunity to add more frequent service and improve the public schedule. These savings are estimated at around \$350,000 a year and would be reinvested into service.
- Enhanced site amenities including operator restrooms, new lighting, security cameras, layover area and updated waiting areas for riders.

### **Project Benefits for our Riders**

- Shorter and More Direct Trip: The addition of a new "flyer stop" on the I-5 NB on-ramp will reduce the time it takes for the bus to continue NB to Lakewood. A significant savings for the NB trip compared to current operations.
- Schedule Reliability: The direct access improvements and new flyer stop will result in revised routing into the Park and Ride that uses traffic signals during peak times. We anticipate around a 15% potential savings for each trip leg.
- Additional Parking, lighting, security cameras, updates. Riders will see a general "refresh" of the facility and be able to benefit from the new flyer stop and updated rider facilities at the Park & Ride.

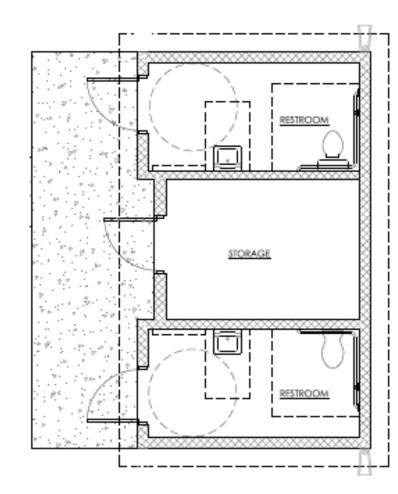
### **Martin Way Park-and Ride Project Elements**

Three distinct operational efficiency and safety improvements

- Add a flyer stop to the I-5 northbound onramp - NB Olympia Express skips the Park-and-Ride completely
- 2. Add a transit-only direct access lane from the northbound on-ramp EB buses turn left at the signal and pull right into the Park-and-Ride
- 3. Modify the site layout of the Park-and-Ride to
  - reconfigure bus bays and travel ways,
  - add pedestrian access to the flyer stop,
  - add operator comfort facilities and on-site storage
  - Reconfigure and add new parking







### **Employee Restroom and storage Building**

Basic conditioned space Some central storage and Some mechanical or IS space

Concept –





### Intercity Transit Awarded a State Grant to Construct MW P&R Direct Access

### **Project Costs, Revenues, and Schedule**

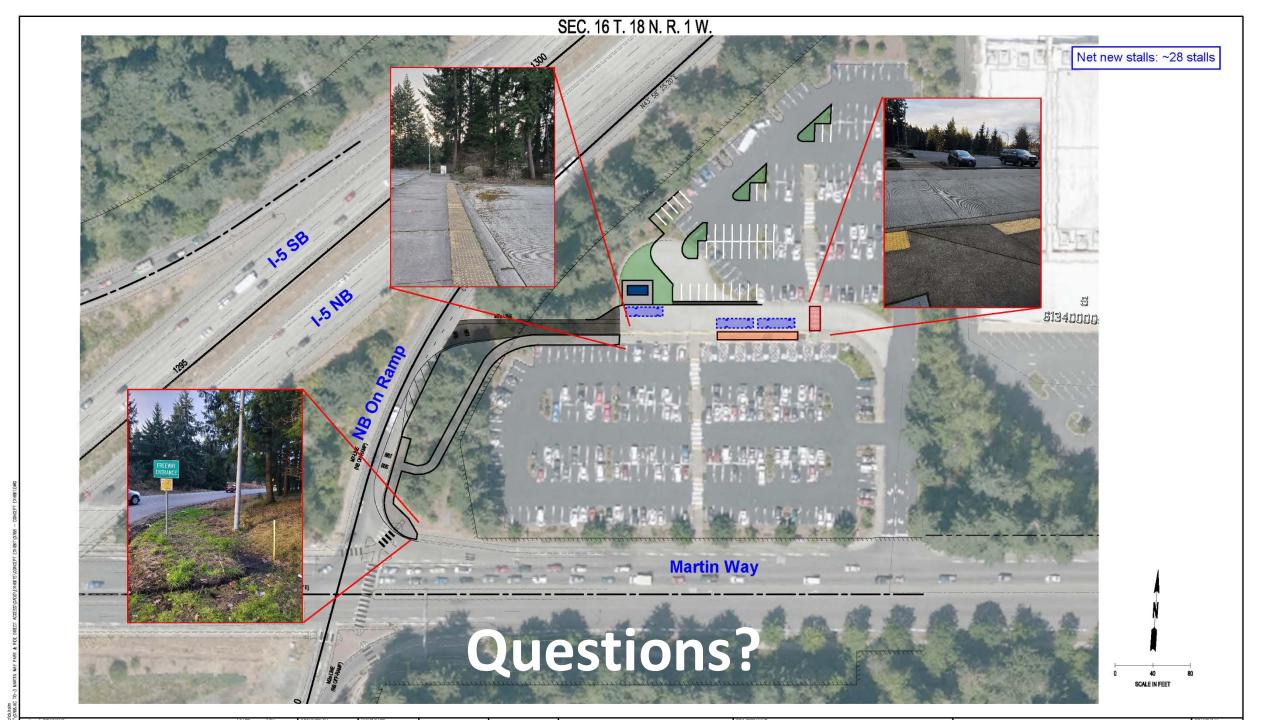
- \$ 350,000 Engineering/Design
- \$3,341,000 Construction
- \$3,691,000 Estimated Cost
- \$3,700,000 (2022 Project Budget)
- \$2,152,800 WSDOT RM Grant (2020)
- \$1,547,200 Local Funds

## Per grant rules, grant-funded portion of the project must be complete by June 30, 2023

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### **Major Project Milestones**

Federal and State Review	Date
Access Break review	2/2022
NEPA Review	4/2022
<u>Preliminary design, survey</u>	4/2022
<u>Final Design</u>	8/2022
<u>Construction</u>	9/22-6/23
Operationally Complete	7/2023

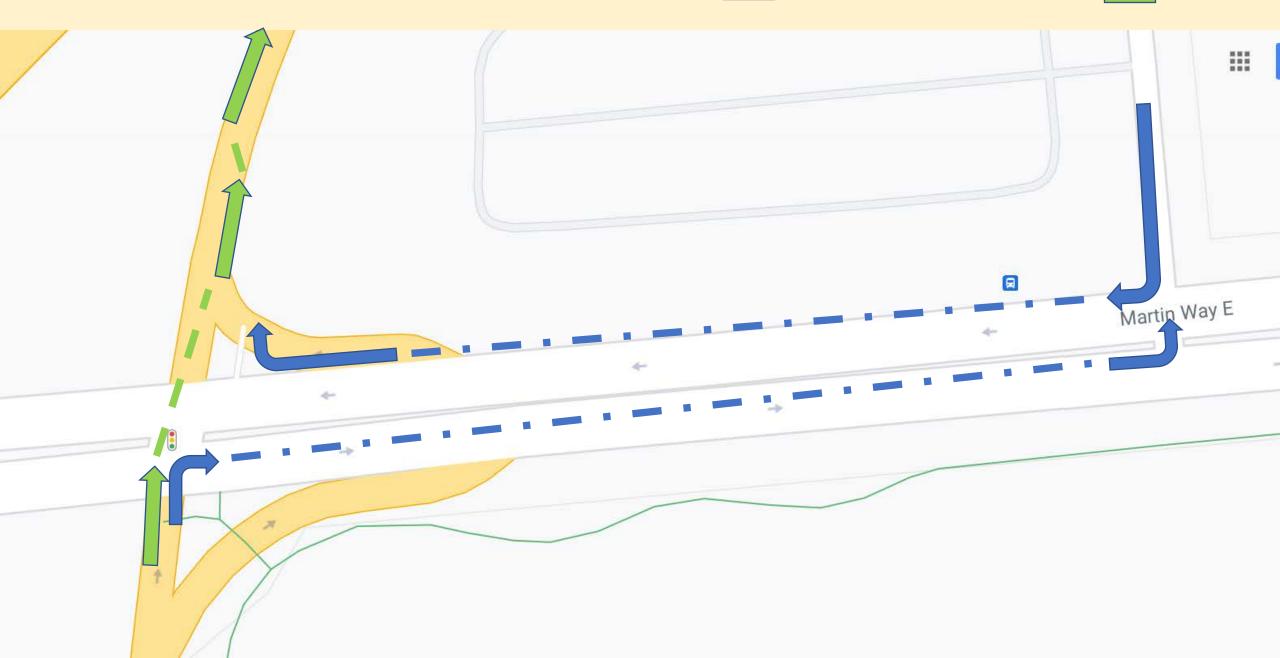


### RESOURCE SLIDES For Questions and follow-up.

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Current movements

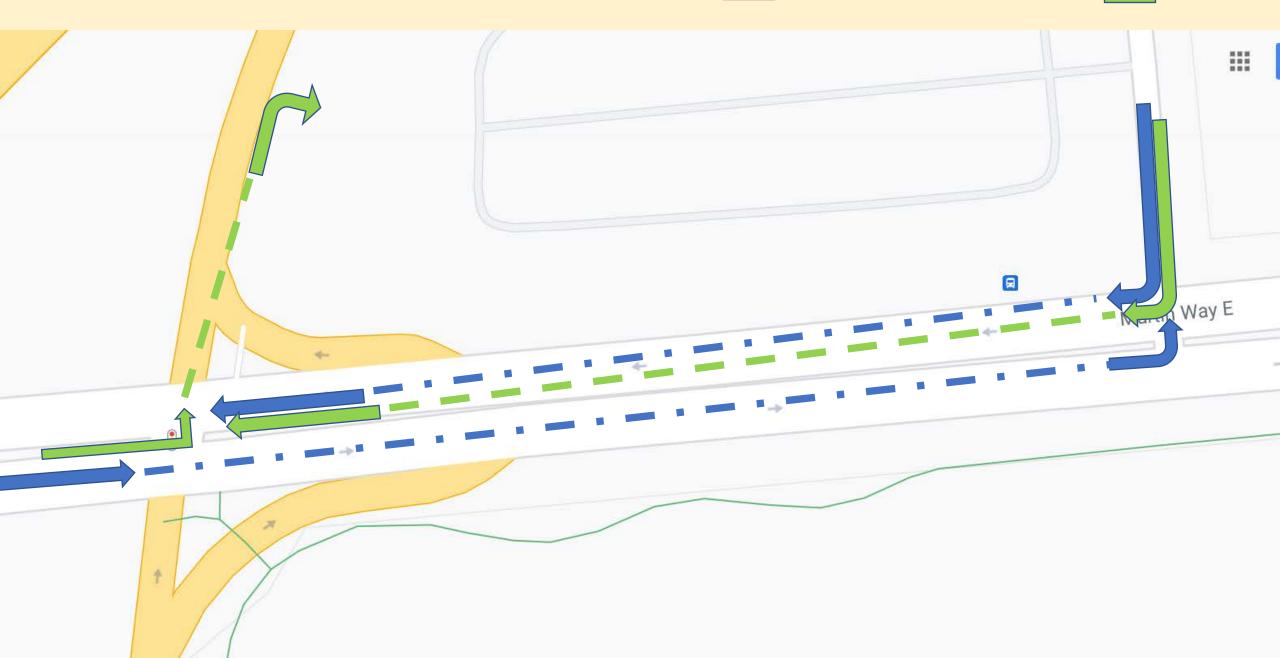
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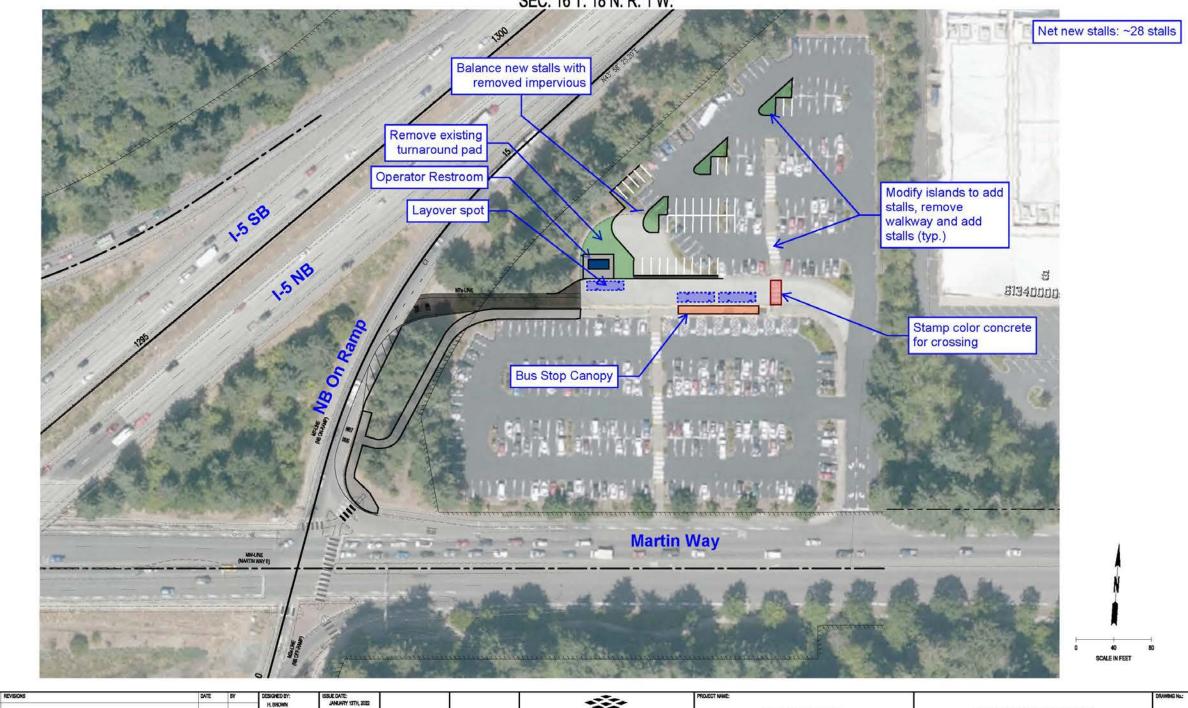
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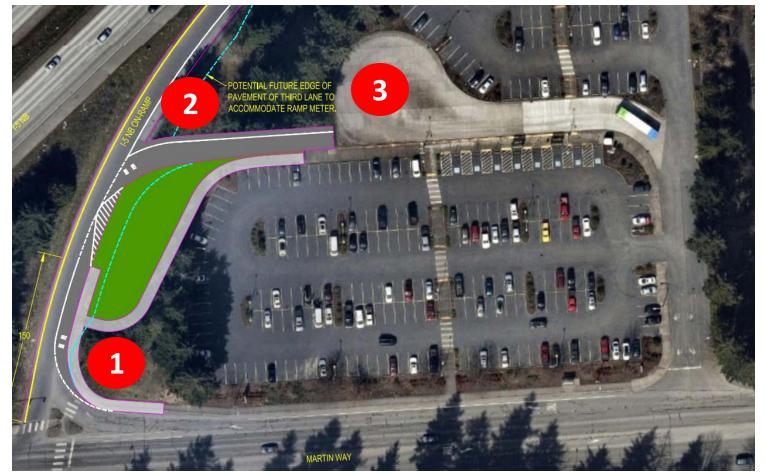
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### Martin Way Park-and-Ride Project Elements



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- 1. New NB Olympia Express Bus Stop on the NB On-Ramp
- 2. Transit-Only Direct Access into the Park and Ride
- 3. "Employee only" Restroom facilities

Work will also address:

- Some updates to the parking layout and internal configuration
- New walkway to the bus stop at the on-ramp
- Lighting, security, drainage.



### Martin Way Park-and-Ride Project Elements – Flyer Stop



## Add a flyer stop to the I-5 northbound on-ramp,

NB Olympia Express buses will skip the Park-and-Ride, picking up passengers at new flyer stop on ramp before merging back onto I-5, eliminating lanecrossing and unprotected leftturn at driveway



### Martin Way Park-and-Ride Project Elements – Transit-Only Access Lane

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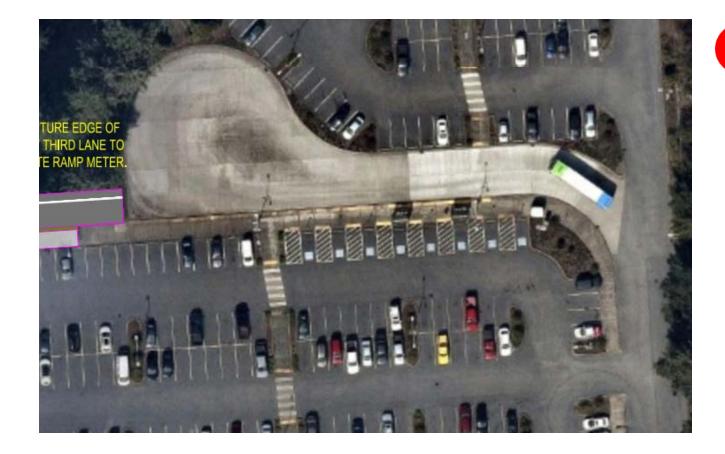
### Add a transit-only access lane into Park-and-Ride

All EB buses get protected left turn at the signal and exit right into the Park-and-Ride, eliminating unprotected left turn at the driveway



### **Martin Way Park-and-Ride Project Elements – On-site Improvements**

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## Add operator facilities, revamp internal travel lanes & parking

New building for operator restrooms and storage will be added plus a new bus canopy for passengers. Bus bays, travel lanes and parking will be redesigned to accommodate direct access lane and new walkway to flyer stop.

