

Transportation Committee Meeting - January 6, 2020 - Skyline

In Attendance

- Alexis Lair, Sound Transit
- Bob Terrell
- Doug Holtom, Coordinator
- Frank Conlon

- Jim Erickson
- Leda Chahim, Sound Transit
- Ron Endlich, Sound Transit
- Suzanne Hittman

Agenda

Sound Transit West Seattle and Ballard Expansion Presentation

Sound Transit Presentation

Sound Transit is in the planning phase that includes public involvement (2017 – 2022). Alternatives Development has finished the scoping period in 2019. The Draft EIS, including preferred alternatives, is expected to be completed later in 2021. The final EIS will be complete 2022.

In the current phase, Sound Transit is exploring preferred alternatives, preferred alternatives with third-party funding, and other draft EIS alternatives. Transportation, the Natural Environment, and the Built Environment are studied in EIS studies. Environmental justice is a focus within each area of the EIS. The two Midtown station alternatives are: 5th Avenue and Madison Street as well as 6th Avenue and Spring Street.

The core responsibility of Sound Transit regarding station planning are routes, station locations, station design, and environmental review. The city of Seattle is responsible for: community planning, land-use, and right-of-way use. The Sound Transit Board will confirm or modify Preferred Alternatives during the winter of 2021. Station community workshops will be in the spring of 2020.