IMPLEMENTING TRAIL AND TRANSIT CORRIDORS, CREATING COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS, NOT CONFLICTS
HISTORY OF THE CKC

BEYOND TRAIL AND TRANSIT TO TRANSFORMATION

CREATING CONNECTIONS

TANGLING OVER TRANSIT

CREATING CONNECTIONS, NOT CONFLICT

Constant Communication
Outcomes, Not Outrage
ACES, Not Acrimony
Pilots Can Change History
HISTORY OF THE CKC
BNSF Eastside Rail Corridor

2009 Interlocal Agreement with BNSF Purchase for Trail and Transit (41 miles, Rail banked and Freight)

Original Partners
- Port of Seattle
- King County
- Sound Transit
- City of Redmond
- Puget Sound Energy
- Cascade Water Alliance
KIRKLAND’S INTEREST

CORRIDOR WITHIN

2,000 FEET OF:

13 Neighborhoods
14 Parks
7 Schools
1,813 Businesses
18,568 Employees
5.75 Miles
40 Access Points

HISTORY OF THE CKC
“Planning or implementing one mode must not foreclose future corridor use by another mode.”

“Ultimately, the City’s interests would be met by implementing a welcoming, transportation-oriented facility for pedestrians and bicyclists, coupled with a high capacity transit system that connects Kirkland to the region.”

Kirkland ERC Interest Statement – Adopted April 19, 2011
HISTORY OF THE CKC

2011  Kirkland ERC Interest Statement
2011  Urban Land Institute Study
2011  Kirkland Purchases CKC for $5.2M
2012  $3M State and Regional Grants
2012  Kirkland Passes Park Levy
2013  Removal of Rails and Ties
2013  Community Celebration (+200 walkers)
2013  CKC Master Plan Kickoff
2014  CKC Master Plan Complete
2014  CKC Interim Trail Construction Begins

Spring 2012

January 2015  Interim Trail Complete

Fall 2013

Summer 2014

Winter 2014
BEYOND TRAIL AND TRANSIT TO TRANSFORMATION
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Google Phase I

Totem Lake Mall

ULI

Urban Land Institute

CKC As Economic Development Catalyst
"A place to go TO, not just a place to go THROUGH"
BEYOND TRAIL & TRANSIT TO TRANSFORMATION

Google Phase 2

$2.8M Public Improvements
16 Foot Concrete Trail, Secondary Trail, Volleyball, Basketball, Zip line, TRX Course

New Building
1000 Employees

Existing Buildings
1200 Employees
BEYOND TRAIL & TRANSIT TO TRANSFORMATION

Google Phase 2
Amended Zoning Regulations – Light Industrial
**Urban Land Institute**
- Develop CKC into trail and transit
- Trail catalyzes housing, retail
- Create “sense of place” with Totem Lake Park

New housing units: 10,000
New jobs: 36,000
BEYOND TRAIL AND TRANSIT TO TRANSFORMATION

Totem Lake Park Master Plan
EDDIES
• Secondary elements and events
• Places for pause and escape
• Subtle discoveries that enrich the space

BEYOND TRAIL & TRANSIT TO TRANSFORMATION
ACTIVITIES
- Add interest and create buzz to compliment permanent corridor elements
ART

- Enriches the whole corridor
- Integrated
- Curated
- Ephemeral
LIGHT

- Catalyst for increased activity
- Enhances experience
- Adds to sense of safety
ECOLOGY

- Enhance ecology while enhancing the human experience.
CREATING CONNECTIONS
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**Before: Spring 2012**

**After: Spring 2015**
CREATING CONNECTIONS
Before

After
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After
Tangling Over Transit

Master Plan – Trail and Transit
TANGLING OVER TRANSIT
City to hold meeting at KPC concerning bus transit on corridor

Right now, Sound Transit is preparing a draft list of ST3 projects that, when approved in 2016, will be sent to the voters for consideration on a ballot measure. While light rail is being considered, city officials have been fighting to get their plan for a bus rapid transit (BRT) on the project list, which they believe would be more flexible to change as well as more appropriate for the community. The meeting will be held from 6:30-9:00 p.m. at the Kirkland Performing Center, located at 350 Kirkland Avenue. Staff will be available to answer questions about high capacity transit from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

For the city, the public meeting is an opportunity to not only solicit feedback but also get residents up to speed on the situation and how their plans rely on getting Sound Transit to embrace their transit vision. As with the rest of the Eastside Rail Corridor, Sound Transit has easement rights that supersede Kirkland’s ownership of the corridor, according to Public Works Director Kathy Brown.

During a presentation council’s Nov. 4 meeting, Brown described BRT as one of several solutions the city is using to address traffic congestion due to population growth that is expected to only increase in the next two decades, particularly in areas like Totem Lake that are designated as urban centers. According to Brown, Totem Lake is projected to have 54,266 employees and 12,241 housing units by 2055.
OUTCOMES, NOT OUTRAGE
OUTCOMES

Safety

Fixed Route, Canyon Effect

Goals

Shared Path

Blocked Views

Noise, Pollution

Flexible, Quiet, Low Emissions

Shared Outcomes: Paved Multi-Use Trail, Human Scale, Electric Transit Fleet, No Rail
CREATING CONNECTIONS NOT CONFLICTS

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CONSTANT COMMUNICATION
Atlanta Beltline

TRANSPORT IS COMING
Automated, Connected, Electric, Shared (ACES)
ACES – Electric Bikes, Electric Scooters and Bike Share
ACES - Aerials?
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Santa Cruz Boardwalk – August 1, 2018
A FEW GOOD PILOTS CAN CHANGE HISTORY!
PILOTS

**Shared Outcomes:** Paved Multi-Use Trail, Human Scale, Electric Transit Fleet, No Rail

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