Agenda Item 7 - Pathway Wayfinding Plan Update July 19, 2023

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Why Wayfinding?

PURPOSE + COALS



The public voiced the need for Pathway signage at the Pathway Listening Session in 2022

Wayfinding Plan-Outreach

- Public engagement and input are critical for informing and guiding our Pathway Wayfinding Plan and design.
- Our engagement to-date includes:
 - Intercept Survey (May 31 – June 3, 2023)
 - Virtual Public Workshop (June 29, 2023)





Intercept Survey

<u>Why?</u>

- Learn who uses the Pathway and how they use it.
- Identify how signage could support existing trips and encourage other travel on the Pathway.
- Gather information for wayfinding and other Pathway planning purposes.

How?

- In-person—4 days at 4 locations, throughout the day
- Online—available for a week
- Promoted on social media and shared with local bike advocacy groups.



INTERCEPT SURVEYS 429386 **Completed Surveys Total Responses** Days ocations & PATHWAY WA

Intercept Survey Insights

- How often people travel on the Pathway
- Use of the **train** and the Pathway
- Typical **distance** traveled when using the Pathway
- **Reasons** for using the Pathway (trip purpose)
- Modes of travel used on and to reach the Pathway
- Whether people travel in groups or solo on the Pathway
- Survey respondent demographics



How often do you use the pathway?



Do you ever use the SMART Pathway and Train during the same trip?



What is the typical distance of your trip on the Pathway?



Trip Purpose: "I use the SMART Pathway for...."



Mode of Travel on and to the Pathway



How do you typically reach the SMART Pathway?

Using the Pathway with Others



Pathway User Demographics



65% Male, 35% Female and 1% Non-Binary



Informing Wayfinding

- Design signs to improve the Pathway and train station connection
- Highlight community and commercial centers to support a variety of trips
- Create and implement wayfinding that allows people to travel along the Pathway confidently and reliably



Virtual Public Workshop

Hosted on Zoom on June 29th in the evening.

A total of 37 people participated.

Meeting Objectives

- Introduce the project scope, goals, and schedule
- Hear from the public about:
 - Ways they navigate
 - Style and characteristics they would wish to see reflected in the Pathway wayfinding design
- Inform the community of future opportunities to participate.



Next Steps

- Coordinate with local partners
- Develop initial Pathway Wayfinding design concepts
- Bring the design concepts back to the public for input:
 - Sample concepts placed in the field
 - Online input opportunity

