05 GLOSSARY OF TERMS

"Both the natural and built environment impact walking opportunities and can create barriers that are especially challenging for children, people with disabilities, and older residents."

Seattle Pedestrian Master Plan, Seattle Department of Transportation

September 2009

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

AASHTO
American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials

Activate
To make active through programming that provides opportunities for people-watching and engagement in activities or other interesting experiences.

ADA
Americans with Disabilities Act

BMP
(Seattle) Bicycle Master Plan

CPTED
Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design

Cycle track
A cycle track is a protected bike lane that combines the user experience of a multi-use trail with a conventional bike lane. Cycle tracks have different forms, but all share common elements — they provide space that is used for bicycles and that is separated from motor vehicle travel lanes, parking lanes and sidewalks.

EIS
Environmental Impact Statement (appears in this report in the context of the "SR 520, I-5 to Medina Project EIS")

Elements of continuity
A design approach used to ensure that elements reoccurring throughout the project corridor, such as retaining walls, roadside plantings or the regional shared-use path, are consistent in their aesthetic treatments to provide positive user guidance and experience.

Elements of distinction
A design approach that ensures that the look and feel of singular project elements, such as the Portage Bay Bridge or the Montlake and 10th and Delmar lid portal entries, receive unique aesthetic treatments that are sensitive to the surrounding context.

ESSB 6001
Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 6001 (passed 2014) directed WSDOT to continue working with the Seattle Department of Transportation in their joint planning, design, outreach, and operation of the remaining SR 520 west side elements.

ESSB 6392
Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 6392 (passed 2010) outlined specific areas and elements of the SR 520 project Preferred Alternative to refine through a multi-agency process.

FEIS
Final Environmental Impact Statement

FHWA
Federal Highway Administration

Gateway
Gateways are natural features, such as trees or waterways, or built elements, such as a bridge, buildings, signage or art work, that define a city or area entrance or boundaries and provide a sense of identity and arrival. A gateway can be large or small in scale, and linear or singular, depending on context.

HOV
High-occupancy vehicle

LRT
Light Rail Transit

MOHAI
Museum of History & Industry

MOU
Memorandum of Understanding

MUTCD
Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices

NACTO
National Association of City Transportation Officials

NOAA
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Preferred Alternative
The project design selected through the environmental review (EIS) process.

RFP
Request for proposals

ROD
Record of Decision

RSUP
Regional shared-use path

SCDP
Seattle Community Design Process

SDC
Seattle Design Commission

SDOT
Seattle Department of Transportation

Section 106
Projects with federal funding, federal permits, licenses, or approvals, or located on federal land must comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) of 1966, as amended. Section 106 calls for meaningful coordination with interested parties to develop projects in a manner that avoids or minimizes impacts to cultural resources, which might include buildings, structures, artifacts, sites, or locations of prehistoric or historical interest.

Sharrow
Pavement markings comprising the image of a cyclist with directional arrows used when bicycle lane striping is not feasible. Sharrows are intended to help drivers and bicyclists share the roadway by clarifying where bicyclists should ride and by alerting vehicles to the presence of bicyclists.

SR
State Route

SR 520 Bridge Replacement and HOV Program
The program enhances safety by replacing the aging floating bridge and keeps the region moving with vital transit and roadway improvements throughout the corridor.

SR 520 I-5 to Medina: Bridge Replacement and HOV Project
The project replaces the interchanges and roadway between I-5 in Seattle and the eastern end of the SR 520 floating bridge.

TIFIA
The Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act provides federal funding for transportation projects.

UW
University of Washington

UWBG
University of Washington Botanic Gardens

VMT
Vehicle miles traveled

WABN
West Approach Bridge North

WABS
West Approach Bridge South

WSDOT
Washington State Department of Transportation

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