

Public Realm & Sidewalks
Point Grey Road,
Alma to Tatlow Park

Presentation to Standing Committee of Council on Policy and Strategic Priorities

May 4, 2016

Recommendation



"THAT Council approve a multi-year capital project budget of up to \$6.4 million for public realm improvements to the Seaside Greenway between Alma Street and Macdonald Street . . . to improve safety and comfort for people walking and to increase public green space"



Public Realm Key Components







2013 Council Approved

A "design for the completion of the Seaside Greenway between Jericho Beach Park and Trafalgar Street, including making Point Grey Road west of Macdonald a local street"



To create "improved **walking** and cycling routes which provide safe and comfortable connections between Jericho Beach Park and Burrard Bridge"

Final step in the 28 km route for walking and cycling.



Phase 1 (completed in 2014):

 Improvements to cycling route including the conversion of Point Grey Road to a local street

People Walking

900/day



600/day (weekday)

People Cycling

2,700/day (weekday) 3,300/day

(weekend)

600/day (weekday) Vehicle volumes

>10,000/ day



400-600/ day Vehicle speeds



Majority below 30km/h





Phase 2:

- Improvements to walking conditions, public realm, expanded green space and connections to waterfront parks along Point Grey Road
- Construction to be coordinated with sewer replacement

Completes a critical **2 km gap** in the Seaside Greenway, running from the Vancouver Convention Centre to Spanish Banks.



Public Engagement





Three-stage process:

Engage Consult Recommend

Phase 1 (2013)

Extensive public engagement including local residents, City advisory committees and other groups through meetings, workshops and public open houses.

Phase 2 (2015-2016)

Built on public engagement started in Phase 1 with additional public open houses and meeting with residents.

Phase 2: Public Engagement



Phase 2 Consultation

Consult

- Public Open Houses
- One-on-one meetings
- Presentations to committees and groups

Recommend

- One-on-one meetings with residents of W 3rd Avenue
- Newsletter: Neighbourhood Traffic Recommendations
- One-on-one meetings with residents of Point Grey Road
- 3 meetings for residents on north side of Point Grey Road
- Newsletter: Point Grey Road Public Realm Improvements

Heard from over 400 individuals

Received over 650 pieces of input



Neighbourhood Traffic Recommendation and Point Grey Road Public Realm Improvement newsletters

Phase 2: Public Engagement



Consultation Highlights

Greatest Concerns

- Conflict between people walking, cycling and driving
- Difficulty accessing driveways
- Change to parking
- Impacts to privacy of adjacent properties

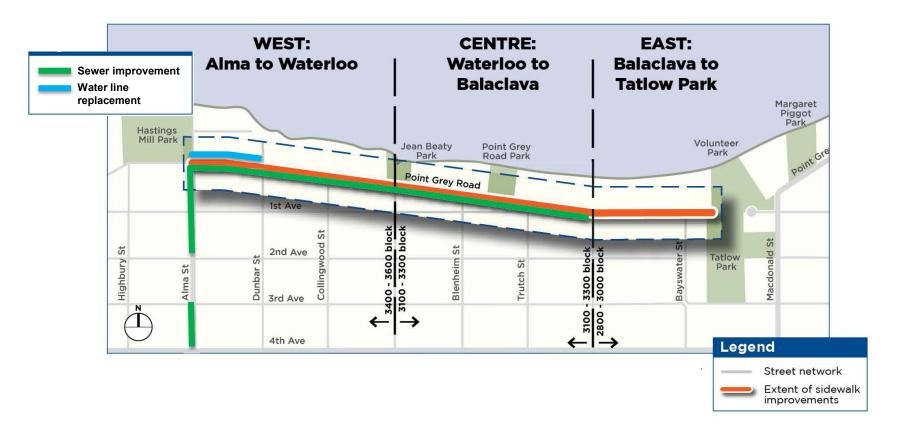
Best features and benefits of recommended design

- Wider and fully accessible sidewalks
- Greater separation between sidewalk and roadway
- More green space
- Seating and resting opportunities
- Reduced conflict between users

Point Grey Road Public Realm Improvements



SEASIDE GREENWAY



WEST: Alma to Waterloo



CENTRE: Waterloo to Balaclava



EAST: Balaclava to Tatlow Park





PGR: South Side and Roadway



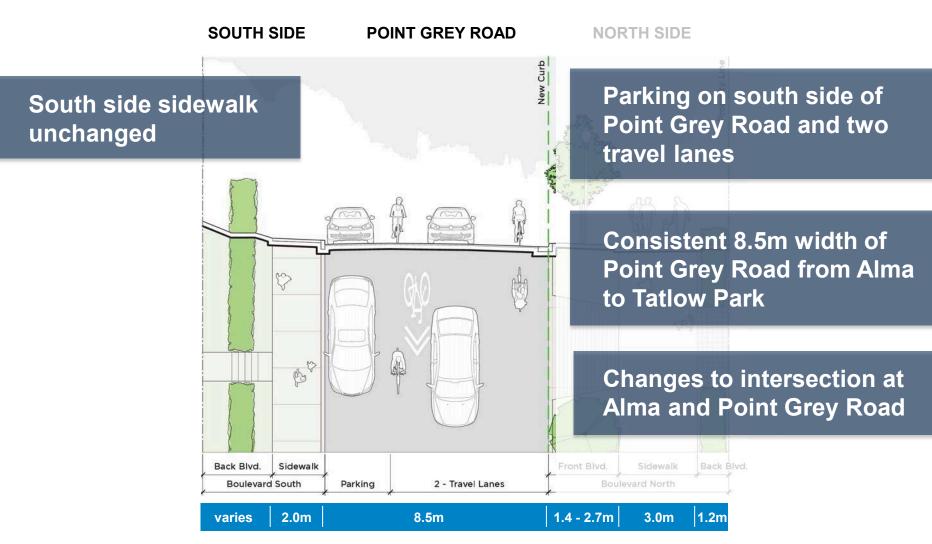
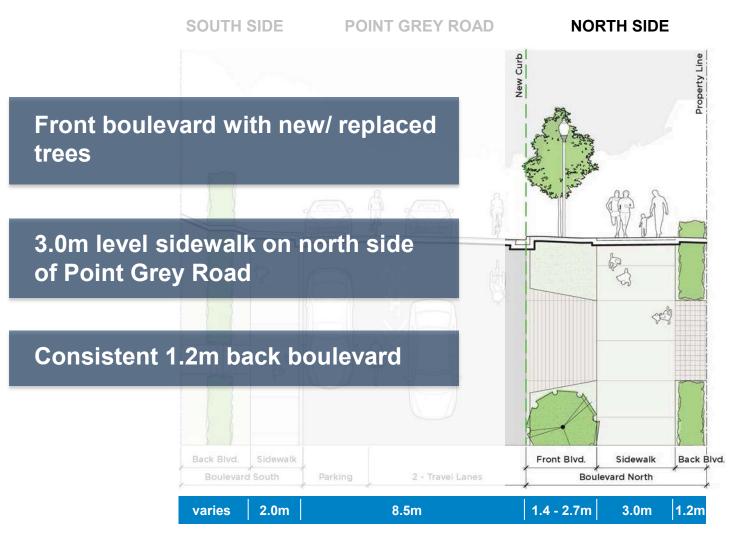


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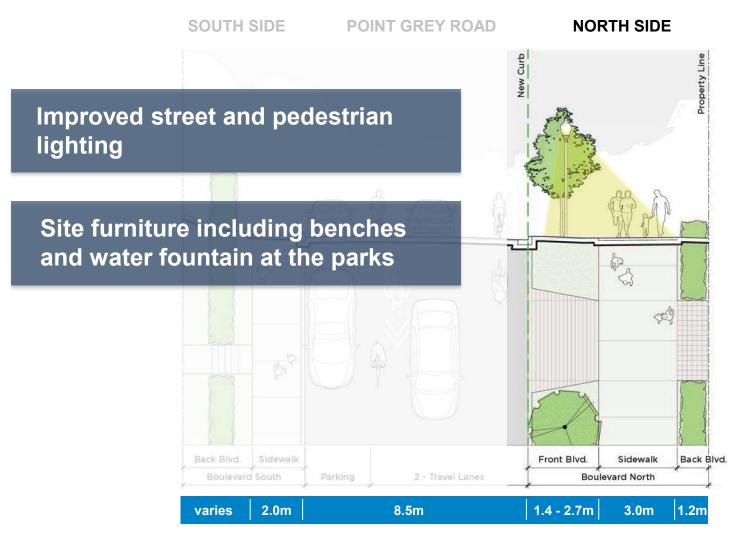
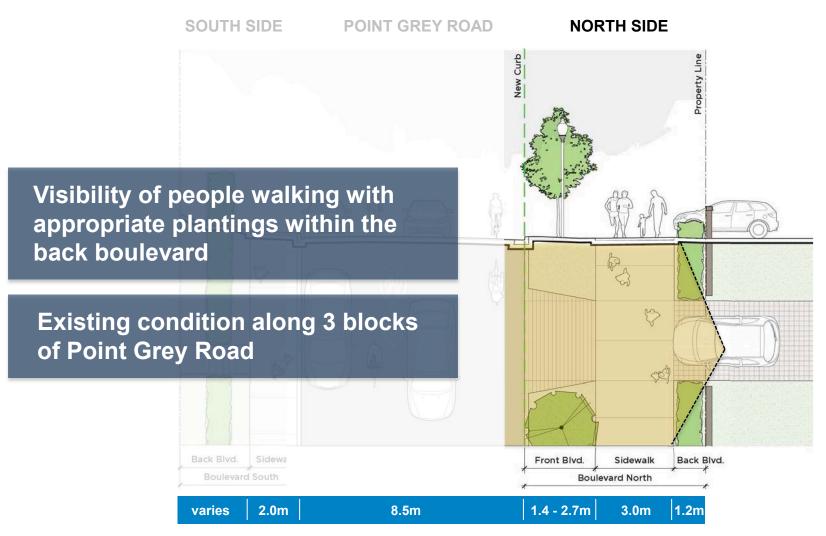
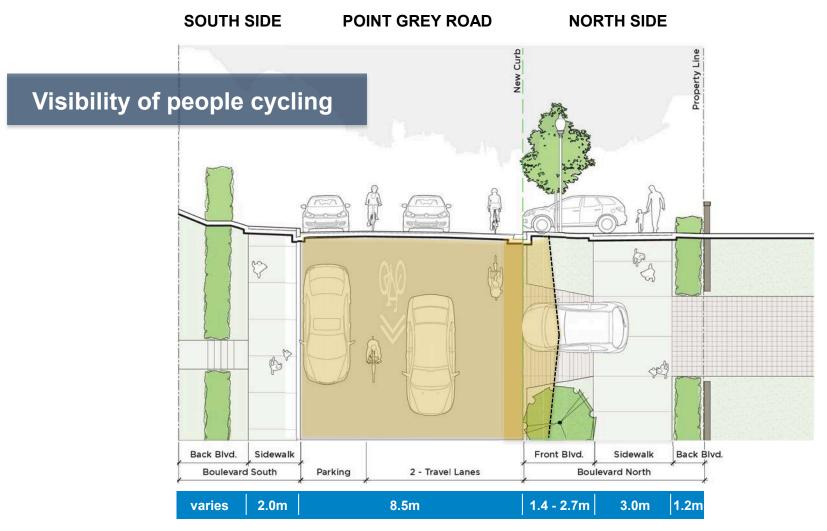


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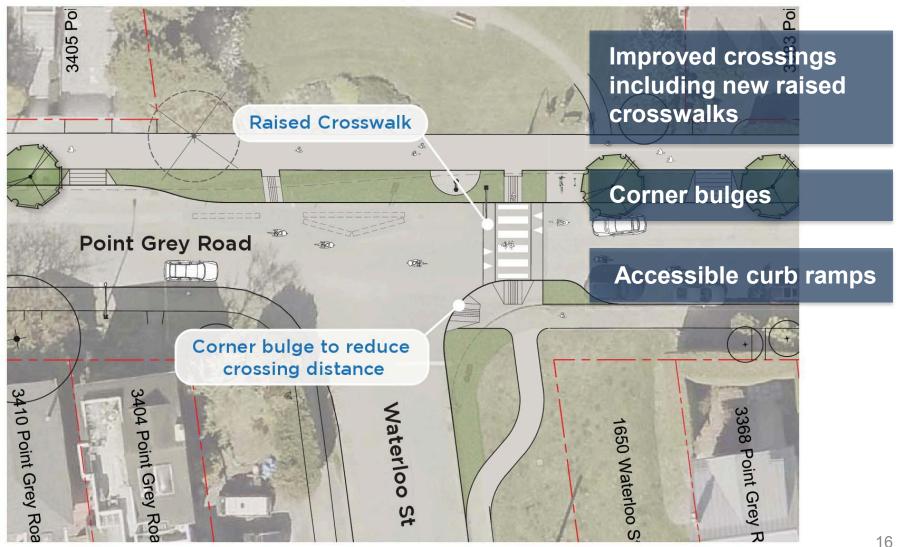






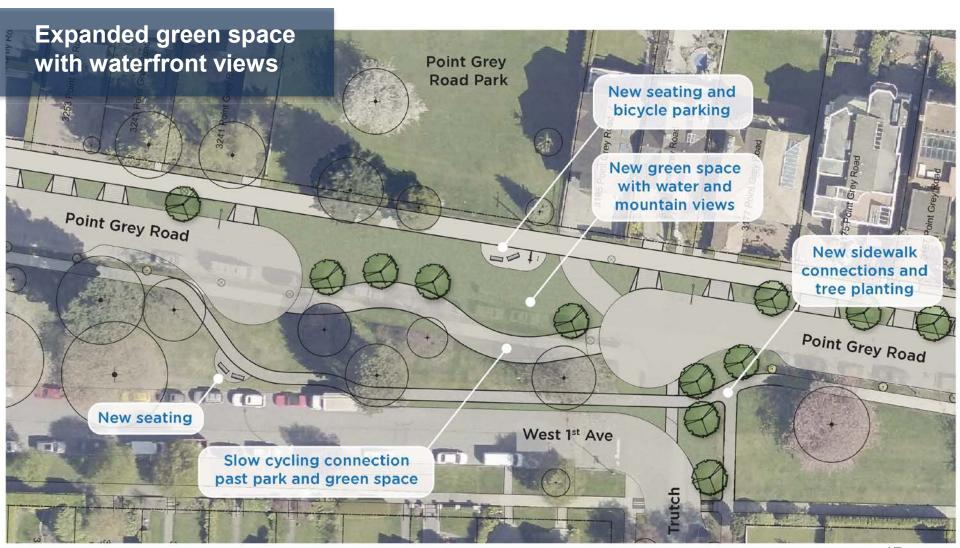
PGR: Improved Waterfront Access





Point Grey Road Park





Recommended Design



Recommended design will improve the walking environment and public realm on Point Grey Road.

- Wider and fully accessible sidewalk
- Greater separation between pedestrian experience and roadway
- More green and park space
- New or improved treed front boulevard
- Seating and resting opportunities
- New/improved pedestrian street lighting
- Reduced conflicts at driveways due to improved site distance through:
 - Consistent sidewalk, back boulevard and road width

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Thank you