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**Comment – 6/1/04**

Hi my name is Barb Christenson and I really think it would be a shame to deny all those people who use the viaduct even once in while especially when taking visitors along the water showing them the city and everything and putting them in a tunnel and I don't know why you don't higher somebody like Cal Trava to do a beautiful bridge kind of structure that would go along the waterfront that would have a nice connection to the street below, and something beautiful for people to look through to the water beyond. There is definitely an opportunity for an incredible city symbol at that point and I hope you would consider it. Thanks bye.

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The views of Elliott Bay, Puget Sound, and the Olympic Mountains are prized by many. Views are currently enjoyed by motorists and passengers traveling on the upper deck of the existing viaduct. However, the views for motorists and pedestrians using downtown streets in the vicinity of the waterfront are interrupted by the existing viaduct structure. The aerial structure is considered by some to be a substantial visual intrusion as well as a source of noise and shadow for the Pioneer Square Historic District and the Central Waterfront. Impacts to views are discussed in the Final EIS and considered in detail in Appendix D, Visual Quality Discipline Report.