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I-622-001 I hate the idea of a tunnel and feel it will be as big a bust as the one in Boston, but the Viaduct must be replaced for the good of the City. What about a bridge? More traffic can be routed onto a bridge. It could be as beautiful and striking symbol of Seattle as the Space Needle. I heard an engineer speak about a patented formula he has for a bridge that would replace the viaduct. I heard him on "The Conversation" on KUOW. I'm sure you could find the trascript if you found the idea interesting.

I-622-002 I also want taxes for the project to fall more heavily on those who will profit from their property values rising suddenly as a result of a view and parks that will certainly go in there.

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Several concepts were considered that would construct a bridge over Elliott Bay as an alternative to reconstructing the viaduct in its current location. However, these concepts were screened out for several reasons:

- A bridge over Elliott Bay would restrict navigation within Elliott Bay, which would affect both the Port of Seattle's container terminal operations and the Washington State Ferry operations at Colman Dock.
- Obtaining the necessary permits for in-water bridge construction would be extremely difficult.
- The bridge concept has visual quality impacts that are not consistent with the City's existing land use and shoreline plans.

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Adjacent property owners could potentially receive indirect economic benefits associated with increased property values and increased potential for redevelopment. The City of Seattle may consider a Local Improvement District (LID) in the future but it is not part of this project. The tax structure that the City of Seattle chooses to implement is not the purview of WSDOT or any of its projects. We encourage you to contact your City Council to discuss these types of issues related property taxes.