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1 will just be grid-locked, no matter what have we do.

2 NORMA SOARDAL: I prefer the aerial construction for
3 replacing the Viaduct. Of course, we need a Seawall,
4 that's for sure. Thank you.

5 ELWOOD R. LATTO: I'm here to protest tearing the
6 Alaska Viaduct down because I don't think there's been
7 enough studies to look into repairing it. Because, it's
8 one of the jewels of Seattle. It's a jewel of the Seattle,
9 because how can we ever look at the Ocean when they put in
10 a tunnel?

11 And many people in this Seattle appreciate the
12 Viaduct when they go to work every day. I think they
13 should put more effort on the repairs to bring it up to the
14 earthquake specifications. And there's some studies out
15 now that say this is feasible. I think there should be
16 more effort in saving the Viaduct, than going through all
17 the expense that we would have to incur to replace it, no
18 matter what it is, and we don't have that type of money.
19 And we should have a committee to look into this.

20 That's the end of my — I think I should add also,
21 that the expenses incurred should be used in other ways,
22 because we're in big trouble here in Seattle. And it
23 appears that developers are pushing this more than common
24 sense.

25 KATHLEEN McLOUGHLIN: I'm for the tunnel. I think

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FHWA, WSDOT, and the City of Seattle appreciate receiving your comments on the Aerial Alternative. Elements of the Rebuild and Aerial Alternatives were incorporated into the Elevated Structure Alternative to meet today's safety standards while minimizing the effects of a wider structure. This alternative was analyzed in the 2006 Supplemental Draft EIS, and the design was refined in the Final EIS. Because the project has evolved since comments were submitted in 2004, please refer to the Final EIS for current information.