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To Whom It May Concern:

I-578-001 | What is the status of the rebuild vs. the tunnel?
Is the city going to be able to vote on this?

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I-578-001

In January 2007, at the urging of the Governor, the Seattle City Council voted to place two ballot proposals on the ballot for a special election held on March 13, 2007. The first advisory proposal called for an up-or-down vote on a hybrid tunnel alternative (with four lanes). The second advisory proposal called for an up-or-down vote on an elevated structure alternative. The election resulted in a rejection of both alternatives. Seattle voters rejected the elevated structure alternative by a 55 percent majority, and the City's four-lane tunnel alternative was opposed by a 70 percent majority.

After the 2006 Supplemental Draft EIS was published, there was not a consensus on how to replace the viaduct along the central waterfront. In March 2007, Governor Gregoire, former King County Executive Sims, and former City of Seattle Mayor Nickels initiated a public process called the Partnership Process to develop a solution for replacing the viaduct along the central waterfront. Details about the project history are described in the Final EIS. Because the project has evolved since comments were submitted in 2006, please refer to this Final EIS for the current information.