



# MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** April 21, 2023  
**TO:** Chair Bryson and Public Works and Facilities Committee  
**FROM:** Katie Koester, Engineering and Public Works Director  
**SUBJECT:** Juneau Douglas North Crossing Level 1 Screening

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The purpose of this memo is to update the Committee on the ADOT Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study for Juneau Douglas North Crossing. The project team, through DOWL Engineering, has worked diligently to screen the eight options under consideration through the Level 1 screening criteria. Level one screening is a two-step process that first considers whether or not the project meets the purpose and need. The second step considers a range of qualitative evaluation criteria. The remaining alternatives will move forward to Level 2 screening which will consider the estimated costs and impact and rank the detailed alternatives.<sup>i</sup>

I hope to be able to share with the committee a draft technical memo of the alternatives that have made it through Level 2 screening as a lay down item. The project team will take this memo to the technical and stakeholder advisory committees, which some of you are members of, for additional review. As the PEL narrows down alternatives, public opinion will be more pointed and specific. If the committee is open to it, I would like to propose scheduling a second PWFC special worksession to listen to feedback from the public on the refined list of alternatives. It is important to note that this public hearing would be outside of the PEL process. It is an opportunity for the citizens to share their thoughts and opinions with their elected officials. It is not a formal comment period on the PEL study; that feedback will be requested through the technical and stakeholder advisory committee process.

**Recommendation:** Discuss the appetite for special PWFC worksession to hear from the public on the alternatives for Juneau Douglas North Crossing that have made it through Level 1 screening through the PEL process. Possible dates chambers is available include:

Tuesday May 9: 5:30-7PM (Planning Commission begins at 7PM)

Thursday May 11: 5:30-7PM

Monday May 15: 5:30-7PM

Thursday May 18: 5:30-7PM

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<sup>i</sup> [Juneau Douglas North Crossing \(dowl.com\)](https://www.dowl.com)