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### Motion No. M2020-26

# Partnering Agreement with the City of Kent for the Operations and Maintenance Facility South

Meeting:	Date:	Type of action:	Staff contact:
System Expansion Committee Board	04/9/2020 04/23/2020	Recommend to Board Final action	Don Billen, Executive Director, PEPD Curvie Hawkins, Development Director- TDLE & OMF South Gwen McCullough, HCT Development Manager – OMF South

#### **Proposed action**

Authorizes the chief executive officer to execute a Partnering Agreement with the City of Kent for the Operations and Maintenance Facility South project.

#### Key features summary

- This action seeks approval to execute a Partnering Agreement with the City of Kent.
- The intent of the Partnering Agreement is to establish a common understanding of roles, responsibilities, and schedule and budget imperatives necessary for timely delivery of the project.
- The Partnering Agreement would establish designated representatives, outlines expectations for interagency cooperation and good faith efforts, process for decision making and project reviews, and engagement and communication planning.
- Approval of the agreement would allow task orders to be established that focus on phase-specific Operations and Maintenance Facility South (OMFS) support and reimburse the City of Kent for support activities specific to the project. If approved, Sound Transit would execute the following task orders within the CEO's delegated authority:
  - A task order for coordination of city support activities for the development of Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) and conceptual design reviews.
  - Future task orders for subsequent project phases—if the Board identifies the Midway Landfill in Kent as the Preferred Alternative (PA) or selects it as part of the project to be built.
- This action would authorize the execution of a Partnering Agreement with the City of Kent. The Kent City Council is scheduled to approve the agreement on April 7th, 2020.

#### Background

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One of these alternatives, the Midway Landfill, is within the City of Kent. Gaining approval of the Partnering Agreement will help facilitate communication and collaboration between the Project team and the City of Kent, establish guidelines for coordination of environmental and design review support and an elevation pathway to streamline resolution of issues.

#### Project status

Project Identification	Alternatives Identification	Conceptual Engineering/ Draft EIS	Preliminary Engineering/ Final EIS	Final Design	Construction		

Projected completion date for Conceptual Engineering/Draft EIS for OMF South: 3Q 2020

#### **Fiscal information**

Although there is no direct fiscal impact associated with this action, the approval of the Partnering Agreement does establish conditions for which fiscal actions may be taken.

#### **Small and Disadvantaged Business Participation**

Not applicable to this action.

#### **Public involvement**

Not applicable to this action.

#### Time constraints

A delay in approval of this agreement beyond one month may create an impact to the project schedule as it would delay Sound Transit's ability to reimburse the City of Kent for coordination of upcoming Draft EIS and conceptual design reviews.

#### **Prior Board/Committee actions**

<u>Motion No. M2019-50:</u> Identified Link Operations and Maintenance Facility South site alternatives for study in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

<u>Motion No. M2017-159</u>: Authorized the chief executive officer to execute a contract with HDR Engineering, Inc. to provide project development services for the Tacoma Dome Link Extension project in the amount of \$10,289,907, with a 10% contingency of \$1,028,991, for a total not to exceed amount of \$11,318,898, contingent upon Board approval of the 2018 Budget.

Environmental review- KH 3/4/2020

Legal review – AJP 3/5/2020

## **SoundTransit**

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#### Motion

It is hereby moved by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority that the chief executive officer is authorized to execute a Partnering Agreement with the City of Kent for the Operations and Maintenance Facility South project.

APPROVED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on April 23, 2020.

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Kathryn Flores Board Administrator

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Kent Keel Board Chair