



Motion No. M2021-19

Funding Agreement with Seattle Department of Transportation and King County Metro for Bus Stop and Crossing Improvements at Roosevelt Station

Meeting:	Date:	Type of action:	Staff contact:
System Expansion Committee	03/11/2021	Recommend to Board	Ron Lewis, DECM Executive Director
Board	03/25/2021	Final action	Alex Krieg, Deputy Director – Access & Integration Kristen Hoffman, Light Rail Development Manager

Proposed action

Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a funding agreement with the Seattle Department of Transportation and King County Metro in support of access and transit improvements in the vicinity of Roosevelt Station and Northgate Station for the Northgate Link Extension in an amount not to exceed \$1,690,000.

Key features summary

- The action is needed as a result of ST Express and King County Metro bus service changes associated with the opening of the Northgate Link Extension, specifically to facilitate more convenient and safer transfers for passengers connecting to and from light rail by bus at Roosevelt Station.
- Funding will support design and delivery of one new bus stop and one expanded bus stop in the vicinity of the Roosevelt Station, and new signalized crossings at the intersections where passengers will have to cross to access Roosevelt Station. Funding will also support street improvements in the Northgate Station area to accommodate on-street layover for ST Express and Community Transit buses that will serve Northgate Station after it opens.
- Sound Transit's contribution is \$1,690,000. King County Metro is contributing \$942,000 in support of these improvements and will furnish and install the bus stop amenities. SDOT is contributing \$735,000 in support of these improvements and will be designing and delivering the improvements in both the Roosevelt and Northgate Station areas.
- The project will reach final design in March 2021 and will be advertised in April 2021. The current schedule anticipates substantial completion in September 2021.

Background

Since late 2019, Sound Transit has collaborated with Community Transit, King County Metro, and the City of Seattle to determine how local and regional bus service would change as a result of the opening of the Northgate Link Extension. The Sound Transit and Community Transit Boards both adopted Northgate Link Extension-related service changes in November 2020. The King County Council is expected to adopt their Northgate Link Extension-related service changes in spring 2021.

Major changes at Northgate Station include the truncation of ST Express routes 511, 512, and 513 as well as the truncation of Community Transit's 800-series routes, which currently serve various points in Snohomish County to the University of Washington and U District. These changes create a need for on-street layover for ST Express and Community Transit service as Northgate Station will be their originating stop in the afternoon travel period.

Major changes at Roosevelt Station include the truncation of ST Express route 522 as well as new routes from King County Metro from northeast King County. The changes will bring many bus passengers to Roosevelt Station necessitating new or expanded bus stop capacity as well as improved crossings to increase safety and convenience for passengers transferring between bus and rail.

As the bus service changes were refined and ultimately formalized, Sound Transit, the City of Seattle, King County Metro, and Community Transit worked closely to ensure implementation of necessary and supportive capital improvements like those identified in this action. The improvements at Roosevelt Station include funding contributions from King County Metro (in the amount of \$942,000) and SDOT (in the amount of \$735,000). The improvements at Northgate Station will be funded by Sound Transit, building off design work by King County Metro and supported by Community Transit. Both sets of improvements will be delivered by SDOT.

Fiscal information

This action is within the baseline budget and sufficient monies remain after approval of this action to fund the remaining work in the construction services phase.

The baseline budget for the Northgate Link Extension project is \$1,899,755,500. Within the Third Party phase, \$7,515,000 has been allocated to the City of Seattle Construction Assist for the support of bus stop and crossing improvements in the vicinity of Roosevelt Station, and the support of street channelization changes to allow for on-street layover at Northgate Station. The action would commit an additional \$1,690,000 to this budget line item and leave a budget balance of \$556,000.

Northgate Link Extension

(in thousands)

Project Phase	Baseline Budget	Board Approvals	This Action	Board Approved Plus Action	Uncommitted / (Shortfall)
Administration	\$130,379	\$93,295	\$	\$93,295	\$37,085
Preliminary Engineering	15,077	15,077		15,077	
Final Design	137,167	130,137		130,137	7,030
Third Party	11,800	8,648	1,690	10,338	1,462
Right-of-way	112,300	101,795		101,795	10,505
Construction	1,352,523	1,325,531		1,325,531	26,992
Construction Services	118,310	105,489		105,489	12,821
Project Contingency	22,200				22,200
Total Current Budget	\$1,899,756	\$1,779,971	\$1,690	\$1,781,661	\$118,094
Phase Detail					
Third Party					
City of Seattle Constr Assist	\$7,515	\$5,269	\$1,690	\$6,959	\$556
Other Third Party	4,285	3,379		3,379	906
Total Phase	\$11,800	\$8,648	\$1,690	\$10,338	\$1,462

Notes:

Amounts are expressed in Year of Expenditure \$000s.

* Board Approvals = Commitment and PO Contingency Remaining as of 2/26/21.

For detailed project information, see page 92 of the 2021 Financial Plan & Proposed Budget.

Disadvantaged and small business participation

Not applicable to this action.

Public involvement

Sound Transit has collaborated with both Community Transit and King County Metro on outreach and engagement associated with bus service changes as a result of the opening of the Northgate Link Extension. Most recently, engagement occurred in September 2020 as part of the 2021 Service Implementation Plan with outreach results – including support for ST Express service changes at Northgate and Roosevelt Stations – reported to the Board in November 2020.

Time constraints

Timely approval of this action will allow SDOT to move forward with procurement in April 2021.

Environmental review – LS 3/4/2021

Legal review – AJP 3/8/21



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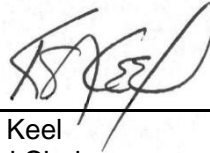
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It is hereby moved by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority that the chief executive officer is authorized to execute a funding agreement with the Seattle Department of Transportation and King County Metro in support of access and transit improvements in the vicinity of Roosevelt Station and Northgate Station for the Northgate Link Extension in an amount not to exceed \$1,690,000.

APPROVED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on March 25, 2021.



Kent Keel
Board Chair

Attest:



Kathryn Flores
Board Administrator