

Proposed Boardmember amendments to Motion No. M2026-30 for consideration at the August 27, 2026 Board Meeting. Please note that the underlined blue text in the amendment below represents additions.

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1	Page 1-2	On page 1 of Motion No. M2026-30, amend the action language as follows: <i>to advance design, procurement, and implementation planning activities for the Fare Gate Retrofit Pilot program to install fare gates at up to fourteen light rail stations, <u>and directing development of a comprehensive goals-based evaluation framework for Board approval.</u></i> And insert the following as a new 11th paragraph of the Background section: <u>To ensure informed decision-making regarding pilot continuation, modification, and/or expansion, Sound Transit shall establish prior to implementation of pilot revenue service a comprehensive Fare Gate Pilot Evaluation Framework to be brought to the Rider Experience and Operations Committee for review and the Board for approval by the end of 2027. This framework shall establish: (1) specific goals and metrics for fare compliance and any other pilot outcomes the agency is attempting to achieve; (2) baseline pre-pilot compliance and operational data collected station-by-station; (3) a plan for tracking and reporting enforcement activities and fare compliance efforts at pilot- and non-pilot stations; and (4) methods for comparing pre- and post-pilot outcomes in order to assess the cost-benefit of fare gates relative to other fare compliance strategies. Staff may also propose alternative methods for collecting data to assess the cost and effectiveness of the pilot fare gate program prior to the Board making decisions about the program.</u> And on page 2 of Motion No. M2026-30, amend the action language as follows: <i>to advance design, procurement, and implementation planning activities for the Fare Gate Retrofit Pilot program to install fare gates at up to fourteen light rail stations, <u>and to develop and present for Board approval by the end of 2027 a comprehensive Fare Gate Pilot Evaluation Framework prior to implementation of pilot revenue service.</u></i>	Claudia Balducci
2	Page 1	On page 1 of Motion No. M2026-30, amend the seventh paragraph of the Background section as follows: <i>Access to reduced-fare and fare-free programs will be a critical aspect during pilot implementation planning. ORCA LIFT provides reduced-fare transit access for eligible low-income riders, while youth ORCA cards support fare-free access for riders age 18 and younger. As part of pilot implementation planning, Sound Transit <u>will develop detailed</u></i>	Claudia Balducci

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		<i><u>plans for youth fare media expansion and ORCA LIFT outreach and utilization tracking, including information or strategies related to any issues or concerns caused by the fare gate pilot and results of those efforts. In addition, Sound Transit</u> will identify opportunities to increase access to these programs and consider approaches that may help eligible riders obtain and use available fare media, such as identifying and reducing barriers to enrollment, card acquisition, and continued use of these programs through targeted outreach, partnerships, and customer support efforts.</i>	