

RESOLUTION NO. R2013-31

Amend the 2013 Annual Budget to add Overlake Transit Center Improvements to the East Link Extension

MEETING:	DATE:	TYPE OF ACTION:	STAFF CONTACT:	PHONE:
Capital Committee	12/12/13	Recommendation to Board	Ahmad Fazel, DECM Executive Director	206-398-5389
Board	12/19/13	Final Action	Ron Lewis, East Link Executive Project Director Don Billen, East Link Deputy Project Director	206-689-4905 206-398-5052

PROPOSED ACTION

Amends the Adopted 2013 Budget for the East Link Extension to (a) increase the 2013 Annual Budget by \$473,000 and (b) increase the Project Lifetime Budget by \$4,028,000 for Overlake Transit Center improvements being funded by an agreement with the Microsoft Corporation.

KEY FEATURES SUMMARY

- Establishes the 2013 annual and lifetime budget for the agency administration, third party and final design phases for the Overlake Transit Center improvements being funded by the agreement with Microsoft and the City of Redmond.
- Budget amendments for future phases will also be funded by the agreement with Microsoft and the Center of Redmond and will take place as the East Link Extension advances consistent with Sound Transit's Phase Gate Policy.
- This budget amendment covers design of a pedestrian-bicycle bridge, increased canopy coverage, technology enhancements, and facilities for Microsoft Transportation Services at the Overlake Transit Center Station.
- The improvements would be funded by Microsoft and would increase public access to the Overlake Transit Center, provide additional weather protection for transit passengers, and allow public transit and Microsoft Transportation Services to operate during construction.

BACKGROUND

East Link extends light rail to East King county via I-90 from Downtown Seattle to Mercer Island, Bellevue, and the Overlake area of Redmond, with stations serving Rainier Avenue/I-90, Mercer Island, South Bellevue, Downtown Bellevue, Overlake Hospital, the Bel-Red Corridor, Overlake Village, and the Overlake Transit Center. The project route, profiles, and station locations, including the tunnel route in downtown Bellevue, were selected by the Sound Transit Board on July 28, 2011 and amended on April 25, 2013. Revenue service between Seattle and the Overlake Transit Center is forecast for 2023.

The Overlake Transit Center will be rebuilt as a part of East Link in order to accommodate light rail, an expanded park-and-ride, and improved bus facilities. Microsoft proposes to fund additional improvements including a pedestrian-bicycle bridge, increased canopy coverage, technology enhancements, and facilities for Microsoft Transportation Services.

The Board will consider separate actions to enter into an agreement with the Microsoft Corporation and the City of Redmond for these improvements and to authorize consultant services for final design.

FISCAL IMPACT

East Link Extension

BUDGET AMENDMENT

Phase	2013 Annual Budget			Lifetime Budget		
	2013 Project Budget	Budget Transfer	Revised Project Budget	2013 Project Budget	Budget Transfer	Revised Project Budget
Agency Administration	11,525	77	11,602	66,539	880	67,419
Preliminary Engineering	2,145	0	2,145	61,123	0	61,123
Final Design	48,900	396	49,296	223,685	2,607	226,292
Right of Way	28,000	0	28,000	365,408	0	365,408
Construction	0	0	0	0	0	0
Construction Services	0	0	0	0	0	0
Third Party Agreements	1,280	0	1,280	40,064	541	40,605
Vehicles	0	0	0	0	0	0
Contingency	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	91,851	473	92,324	756,819	4,028	760,847

Notes:

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

Project Budget is located on page 38 of the 2013 Transit Improvement Plan (TIP).

Microsoft's payment of \$33,302,000 to Sound Transit in the Overlake Transit Center agreement will fund project administration, design, construction and contingencies for the improvements including the \$4,028,000 for agency administration, design, and third party phases of the project proposed in this motion. Future phases of the project will be authorized as the East Link Extension advances consistent with Sound Transit's Phase Gate Policy.

SMALL BUSINESS PARTICIPATION

Not applicable to this action.

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT WORKFORCE PROFILE

Not applicable to this action.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

The East Link Extension Final EIS identified and evaluated as a potential project enhancement the construction of a pedestrian-bicycle bridge over SR 520 between the planned Overlake Transit Center station and the SR 520 regional trail. On November 19, 2013, Sound Transit hosted an open house for the Overlake portion of East Link and included information about the potential Overlake Transit Center improvements. Over 100 people attended the open house and comments were accepted through December 6th. Sound Transit will conduct additional outreach as the design advances and in coordination with East Link Extension outreach.

TIME CONSTRAINTS

A one month delay would require delaying Overlake Transit Center design until it is known whether the improvements will be incorporated.

PRIOR BOARD/COMMITTEE ACTIONS

Resolution No. R2012-25: Adopted an annual budget for the period from January 1 through December 31, 2013 and endorsing the 2013 Transit Improvement Plan.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

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LEGAL REVIEW

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A RESOLUTION of the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority amending the Adopted 2013 Budget for the East Link Extension to (a) increase the 2013 Annual Budget by \$473,000 and (b) increase the Project Lifetime Budget by \$4,028,000 for Overlake Transit Center improvements being funded by an agreement with the Microsoft Corporation.

WHEREAS, the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority, commonly known as Sound Transit, was formed for the Pierce, King, and Snohomish Counties region by action of their respective county councils pursuant to RCW 81.112.030; and

WHEREAS, Sound Transit is authorized to plan, construct, and permanently operate a high-capacity system of transportation infrastructure and services to meet regional public transportation needs in the Central Puget Sound region; and

WHEREAS, in general elections held within the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority district on November 5, 1996 and November 4, 2008, voters approved local funding to implement a regional high-capacity transportation system for the Central Puget Sound region; and

WHEREAS, the Link station at Overlake Village is located on the south side of SR 520 near 152nd Avenue Northeast; and

WHEREAS, both sides of SR 520 in the Overlake area in Redmond consist of substantial employment and housing; and

WHEREAS, the Overlake Village Bridge project will construct a pedestrian-bicycle bridge over SR 520 connecting to the Link station at the Overlake Village in Redmond; and

WHEREAS, the pedestrian-bicycle bridge and other improvements would be funded by Microsoft and would increase public access to the Overlake Transit Center, provide additional weather protection for transit passengers, and allow public transit and Microsoft Transportation Services to operate during construction; and

WHEREAS, the Overlake Village Bridge is a joint project with the City of Redmond; and

WHEREAS, the agency administration, third party and final design phases for the Overlake Transit Center improvements being funded by an agreement with Microsoft and the City of Redmond; and

WHEREAS, budget amendments for future phases will also be funded by the agreement with Microsoft and the Center of Redmond and will take place as the East Link Extension advances consistent with Sound Transit's Phase Gate Policy; and

WHEREAS, this budget amendment covers design of a pedestrian-bicycle bridge, increased canopy coverage, technology enhancements, and facilities for Microsoft Transportation Services at the Overlake Transit Center Station; and

WHEREAS, Sound Transit is not obligated to build the pedestrian bridge unless a future agreement to fund construction and provide for ongoing maintenance is negotiated with the City of Redmond; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. R2012-25, the Sound Transit Board adopted the 2013 Budget on December 20, 2012; and

WHEREAS, said budget amendment is consistent with and affordable under Board-adopted financial policies as established by Resolution No. R72-2; and

WHEREAS, a two-thirds affirmative vote of the entire membership of the Sound Transit Board is required to amend the Adopted 2013 Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority that:

Section 1: The Adopted 2013 Budget is amended to (a) increase the 2013 Annual Budget by \$473,000 and (b) increase the Project Lifetime Budget by \$4,028,000 for Overlake Transit Center improvements being funded by an agreement with the Microsoft Corporation.

ADOPTED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on December 19, 2013.



Pat McCarthy
Board Chair

ATTEST:



Marcia Walker
Board Administrator