



Motion No. M2019-72

Transit Way Agreement between Sound Transit and City of Redmond for the Downtown Redmond Link Extension

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| System Expansion Committee Board | 07/11/2019 07/25/2019 | Recommend to Board Final Action | Ron Lewis, DECM Executive Director Tony Raben, Executive Project Director – Downtown Redmond Link Extension Becca Aue, East Corridor Project Manager |

Proposed action

Authorizes the chief executive officer to execute a Transit Way Agreement with the City of Redmond for the Downtown Redmond Link Extension.

Key features summary

- The proposed Transit Way Agreement accomplishes the following:
 - Grants Sound Transit non-exclusive use of a light rail transit way within City right-of-way to construct, operate, maintain, and own the light rail transit system for the Downtown Redmond Link Extension.
 - Covers elements related to the granting of rights by the City; activities in public rights-of-way during Sound Transit's construction of its light rail facilities; and Sound Transit's operations, maintenance, and repair of its light rail system in public streets and rights-of-way.
 - Satisfies the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA's) continuing control requirements.
- This action is scheduled for Redmond City Council consideration on July 16, 2019.
- There is no cost associated with this agreement.

Background

The Downtown Redmond Link Extension is a 3.4 mile light rail extension from the future Redmond Technology Center station at NE 40th Street in Redmond to the East Corridor terminus station at 166th Ave. NE in Downtown Redmond. The project includes two stations and a 1400-space parking garage. Funding for final design and construction was approved with the passage of ST3 in November 2016. Service to Downtown Redmond is planned to begin in 2024.

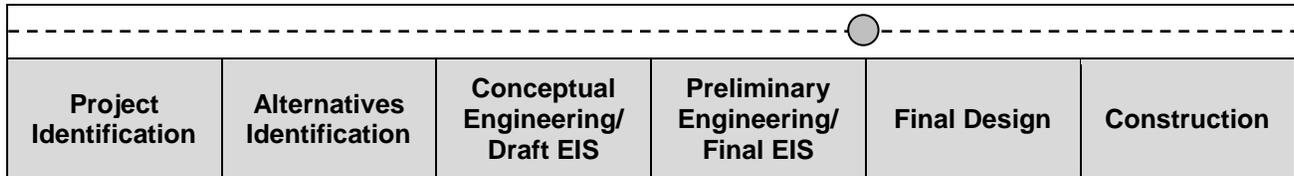
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was completed August 2018, and the Board approved refinements to the project to be built in September 2018.

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Project status



Anticipated Notice to Proceed for design build contract in Q3 2019.

Project scope, schedule, and budget summary located on page 69 of the April 2019 Link Light Rail Program Progress Report.

Fiscal information

Although there is no direct fiscal action associated with the proposed action, the approval of the agreement granting non-exclusive use of the light rail transit way within the City of Redmond right-of-way does establish conditions of which future fiscal actions may be required.

Disadvantaged and small business participation

Not applicable to this action.

Public involvement

Sound Transit actively seeks public feedback at all stages of the Downtown Redmond Link Extension project with the goal of fostering public trust through transparent communication, meaningful involvement, and being responsive to concerns and issues. King County, the City of Redmond, and Sound Transit are developing a coordinated approach for reaching out to and connecting with the public, especially downtown Redmond businesses, Marymoor Park users, and nearby residents of the park and guideway.

Time constraints

A one-month delay would not have a significant impact to the project schedule.

Prior Board/Committee actions.

Motion M2019-63: Authorized the chief executive officer to execute a Development Agreement with the City of Redmond for the Downtown Redmond Link Extension for a total authorized agreement amount of \$1,379,675.

Motion M2018-154: Authorized the chief executive officer to execute an agreement with the City of Redmond for project administration services to provide expedited permitting, design review, and construction support services for the Downtown Redmond Link Extension in the lump sum amount of \$5,711,933.

Resolution R2018-37: Adopted the Downtown Redmond Link Extension baseline schedule and budget by increasing the authorized project allocation to date by \$1,351,974,000 from \$178,026,000 to \$1,530,000,000; and established a project revenue service date of December 31, 2024.

Environmental review – KF 7/1/19

Legal review – NAM 7/2/19



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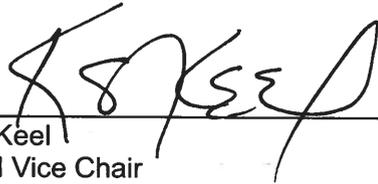
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Motion

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 Transit Way Agreement with the City of Redmond for the Downtown Redmond Link Extension.

APPROVED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on July 25, 2019.



Kent Keel
Board Vice Chair

Attest:



Kathryn Flores
Board Administrator