



## Motion No. M2019-73

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

Meeting:	Date:	Type of action:	Staff contact:
System Expansion Committee Board	07/11/2019 07/25/2019	Recommend to Board Final action	Ron Lewis, DECM Executive Director <b>Tony Raben, Executive Project Director – Downtown Redmond Link Extension</b> <b>Brian Holloway, East Corridor Design Manager</b>

#### Proposed action

Authorizes the chief executive officer to execute an agreement with City of Redmond for the City to reimburse the cost of the design, construction and oversight of four betterments requested by the City to be delivered as part of Downtown Redmond Link Extension, for a total authorized agreement amount of \$6,013,045.

#### Key features summary

- In anticipation of this agreement, Sound Transit included the following City betterment items in the DRLE Request for Proposal:
  - Pressure reducing water valve at 51st St.
  - Intersection improvements at 70th St and SR 202.
  - Intersection improvements at 76th St and SR 202.
  - Enhancements to the Redmond Central Connector Trail.
- The costs included in this agreement reflect the actual proposal price from the highest ranked team for the Downtown Redmond Link Extension design-build contract.
- The City will reimburse Sound Transit's costs for design, construction, administration, oversight and changes associated with the work.
- A total contingency amount of \$887,625 is included in the Betterment Agreement for changes and unforeseen conditions related to the betterment work.

#### 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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refinements to DRLE for further study, authorizing additional environmental review and preliminary engineering. Proposed refinements include the alignment and station profile in the downtown segment of Redmond from an at-grade profile from Bear Creek to Leary Way, to an elevated profile from Bear Creek to 164th Ave NE, including an elevated station and tail tracks. Additional environmental review was completed August 2018, and the Board approved refinements to the project to be built in September 2018. Third party agreements in support of the DRLE, including this Betterment Agreement, are now being finalized.

This Betterment Agreement defines the parties' roles and responsibilities with respect to completing the design, construction, payment, ownership, and ongoing operation and maintenance of the betterments. The City agrees to reimburse Sound Transit for the costs of including the Betterments in the DRLE contract and the oversight of the project by Sound Transit.

Proposals for the DRLE design-build contract were received in April 2019. A request for the Board to approve the design-build contract is anticipated in summer 2019.

If this agreement is not approved, the betterment work will not be executed as part of the design-build contract.

**Project status**

<b>Project Identification</b>	<b>Alternatives Identification</b>	<b>Conceptual Engineering/ Draft EIS</b>	<b>Preliminary Engineering/ Final EIS</b>	<b>Final Design</b>	<b>Construction</b>
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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**

The proposed action would authorize an agreement with the City of Redmond to reimburse Sound Transit for delivering four betterments as part of the Downtown Redmond Link Extension. The agreement costs include \$3,375,000 for work included in the design build contract, \$887,625 for contingency, and \$1,750,420 for other Sound Transit costs such as contract administration, property acquisition and private utility work associated with the betterments.

The scope and cost of these betterments will be included in the contract with the design-build contractor presented to the Board for approval this summer. However, the betterment costs will be isolated and not recorded as a project cost.

Neither the costs nor the funding for this scope of work has been included in the agency's long term financial plan. Since the costs will be reimbursed to Sound Transit, this action should not impact either the agency's long-term financial plan or subarea financial capacity. If the total cost to perform this work exceeds the estimated reimbursement amount, the agreement will be amended by a future action.

**Disadvantaged and small business participation**

Not applicable to this action.

## **Public involvement**

Sound Transit actively seeks public feedback at all project stages of the DRLE 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 businesses, Marymoor Park users, and nearby residents of the park.

## **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.

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**Environmental review** – KH 6/27/19

**Legal review** – MT 7/5/19

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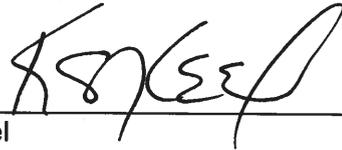
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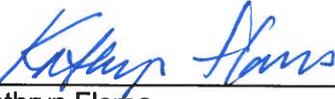
It is hereby moved by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority that the chief executive officer is authorized to execute an agreement with City of Redmond for the City to reimburse the cost of the design, construction and oversight of four betterments requested by the City to be delivered as part of Downtown Redmond Link Extension, for a total authorized agreement amount of \$6,013,045.

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