

Motion No. M2024-07

Reimbursement Agreement with Snohomish County for the Everett Link Extension and Operations and Maintenance Facility North

Meeting:	Date:	Type of action:	Staff contact:
System Expansion Committee Board	02/08/2024 02/22/2024	Recommend to Board Final action	Don Billen, PEPD Exec. Director Eric Widstrand, North Corridor Development Director

Proposed action

Authorizes the chief executive officer to execute a Project Administration Agreement with Snohomish County for the Everett Link Extension and OMF North project.

Key features summary

- The Everett Link Extension and OMF North project will expand Link light rail in Snohomish County. County involvement in project planning is critical to the successful and timely delivery of the project.
- In 2023, the Board approved Motion No. M2023-14 authorizing a Partnering Agreement with the City of Everett, the City of Lynnwood, Snohomish County, Community Transit and Sound Transit to document and confirm a mutual understanding of general terms and conditions to advance the implementation of the Project.
- This action would authorize a Project Administration Agreement to address the commitment in the Partnering Agreement for the Parties to negotiate an agreement to provide reimbursement to the County for the costs of certain services and products related to the project.
- Following execution of a Project Administration Agreement with the County, the parties will execute one or more task orders consistent with the agreement, up to total value that shall not exceed the CEO's delegated signature authority of \$10,000,000.
- The Snohomish County Council approved the execution of this agreement on 1/30/2024.

Background

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Sound Transit executed a Partnering Agreement for the Project, following Board approval of Motion No. M2023-14 in February of 2023.

The Project Administration Agreement with the County addresses the commitment in Section 23 of the Partnering Agreement for the Parties to work cooperatively to establish an agreement to provide reimbursement to the County for costs of certain services and products related to the Project. The Sound Transit partnering process with the County is consistent with the System Expansion Implementation Plan. The agreement has been reviewed and recommended by Sound Transit and County staff.

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Project status



Projected completion date for Conceptual Engineering/Draft EIS: Q2 2026

Project scope, schedule and budget summary are located on page 47 of the December 2023 Agency Progress Report.

Fiscal information

Although there is no direct or immediate fiscal action associated with the proposed action, there may be fiscal impacts as the project progresses. Those impacts will be addressed during future actions as they are presented.

The Project Administration Agreement described in this proposed action will be assigned on a task order basis. Funding for the task orders will come from existing, board-approved capital projects. As services will be rendered on an as needed basis, cost distribution will be determined as each task order is executed.

Disadvantaged and small business participation

Not applicable to this action.

Public involvement

Not applicable to this action.

Time constraints

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

Prior Board/Committee actions

<u>Motion No. M2023-14</u>: Authorized the chief executive officer to execute a Multi-Jurisdictional Partnering Agreement with the Cities of Everett and Lynnwood, Snohomish County and Community Transit for the Everett Link Extension and Operations & Maintenance Facility North project.

<u>Motion No. M2023-47</u>: Identified Preferred Alternative(s) and other alternatives for Study in a Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Everett Link Extension and Operations and Maintenance Facility (OMF) North.

Environmental review – KH 1/19/23 Legal review – JCN 1/30/24



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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 Project Administration Agreement with Snohomish County for the Everett Link Extension and OMF North project.

APPROVED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on February 22, 2024.

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