

**RESOLUTION NO. R2017-22**
**Amending the Adopted 2017 Annual Budget to Create the I-405 Bus Rapid Transit Project**

MEETING:	DATE:	TYPE OF ACTION:	STAFF CONTACT:
Capital Committee	06/08/2017	Recommend to Board	Ric Illgenfritz, Executive Director of PEPD
Board	06/22/2017	Final Action	Don Billen, Deputy Executive Director, Capital Project Development, PEPD <b>Bernard van de Kamp, East Corridor Development Director, PEPD</b>

**PROPOSED ACTION**

Amending the adopted 2017 annual budget to create the I-405 Bus Rapid Transit project by (a) establishing the authorized project allocation to date in the amount of \$650,000 and (b) establishing the 2017 Annual Budget in the amount of \$650,000.

**KEY FEATURES SUMMARY**

- The proposed action will create the I-405 Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) project and allocate budget to address two issues of high importance to the project that require early and immediate attention and funding prior to the project advancing to Phase Gate 1 - Enter Project Development, anticipated to take place 4th Quarter 2017.
- The budget will fund evaluation of properties that may need to be acquired early and address a design change in a Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) project that may be in conflict with the BRT path along SR 518 in the vicinity of Des Moines Memorial Drive.
- It will also fund associated administrative costs to affect the above and to procure a preliminary engineering design and environmental consultant necessary to execute the Gate 1 action.
- If this budget amendment is approved by the Board, staff will execute a task order with WSDOT to ensure redesign work is accomplished in a timely fashion.

**BACKGROUND**

The I-405 Bus Rapid Transit project is a voter-approved project in the agency capital plan. The project provides for the establishment of a Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system from the Lynnwood Transit Center to the Burien Transit Center via I-5, I-405, and SR 518. The project includes new and upgraded transit centers and flyer stops, new park-and-ride capacity, and access improvements to the stations.

Properties potentially required for the project may need to be acquired early, before or during the preliminary engineering and environmental review phase of project development. This action includes funds to evaluate those properties and to seek Federal Transit Administration authorization of them as hardship or protective acquisitions, consistent with its National Environmental Policy Act rules. If staff determines to proceed with the acquisitions, it will return to the Board for approval and would amend the Project budget accordingly.

Washington Department of Transportation (WSDOT) has designed and begun a procurement process to construct a new eastbound off ramp from SR 518 to Des Moines Memorial Drive in the City of Burien. The off ramp was designed prior to the passage of ST3 and did not envision BRT improvements. Sound Transit anticipates the BRT route may cross the improvements and affect WSDOT drainage plans. The funds contained in this action will allow Sound Transit to immediately coordinate with WSDOT on the potential drainage conflict to redesign the impacted area prior to the WSDOT contractor constructing the facility. This will preserve space for a bus-only lane, reduce the cost to Sound Transit, and make the most efficient use of taxpayer funds supporting both projects.

These actions are in advance of Phase Gate 1, Enter Project Development. The project is still in the early stages of procuring an environmental and preliminary engineering consultant necessary to execute the Gate 1 action. Administrative funds have been included in this action to fund the current activities as explained in the action.

Sound Transit anticipates returning in the 4th Quarter 2017 to complete the Phase Gate 1 action.

**FISCAL INFORMATION**

This action establishes the authorized project allocation to date for the project to fund the evaluation of potential hardship or protective property acquisitions, drainage redesign, and administrative costs of procuring an environmental and preliminary engineering consultant.

The proposed action establishes the authorized project allocation to date in the amount of \$650,000 and establishes the 2017 annual budget in the amount of \$650,000.

**I-405 Bus Rapid Transit**

(in thousands)

Phase	Annual Project Budget			Authorized Project Allocation to Date		
	Adopted 2017 Annual Project Budget	Budget Revision	Revised 2017 Annual Project Budget	Authorized Project Allocation to Date (Current)	Allocation Change	Authorized Project Allocation to Date (New)
Agency Administration	\$	\$250	\$250	\$	\$250	\$250
Preliminary Engineering						
Final Design						
Third Party Agreements		350	\$350		350	\$350
Right of Way		50	\$50		50	\$50
Construction						
Construction Services						
Vehicles						
Contingency						
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$650</b>	<b>\$650</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$650</b>	<b>\$650</b>

Notes:  
Amounts are expressed in Year of Expenditure.

**SMALL BUSINESS/DBE PARTICIPATION**

Not applicable to this action.

**TIME CONSTRAINTS**

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

PRIOR BOARD/COMMITTEE ACTIONS

Resolution No. R2016-37: Adopted an annual budget for the period from January 1 through December 31, 2017, and adopted the 2017 Transit Improvement Plan.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

JI 6/2/2017

LEGAL REVIEW

JW 6/2/2017



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A RESOLUTION of the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority amending the adopted 2017 annual budget to create the I-405 Bus Rapid Transit project by (a) establishing the authorized project allocation to date in the amount of \$650,000 and (b) establishing the 2017 Annual Budget in the amount of \$650,000.

WHEREAS, the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority, commonly known as Sound Transit, was formed under chapters 81.104 and 81.112 RCW 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, November 4, 2008, and November 8, 2016, voters approved local funding to implement a regional high-capacity transportation system for the Central Puget Sound region; and

WHEREAS, in December 2016, the Board approved Resolution No. R2016-37, adopting an annual budget for the period from January 1 through December 31, 2017, and adopting the 2017 Transit Improvement Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Sound Transit 3 plan provides for the establishment of a Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system from the Lynnwood Transit Center to the Burien Transit Center via I-5, I-405, and SR 518; and

WHEREAS, the project includes new and upgraded transit centers and flyer stops, new park-and-ride capacity, and access improvements to the stations; and

WHEREAS, the project is still in the early stages of procuring an environmental and preliminary engineering consultant necessary to execute the Gate 1 action; and

WHEREAS, this budget allocation is requested to address two issues of high importance to the project that require early and immediate attention and funding prior to Gate 1; and

WHEREAS, properties potentially required for the project may need to be acquired early, and this action includes funds to evaluate those properties; and

WHEREAS, if staff determines to proceed with these property acquisitions, and if the Federal Transit Administration authorizes them as hardship or protective acquisitions consistent with its National Environmental Policy Act rules, then staff would return to the Board for approval and would amend this budget allocation accordingly; and

WHEREAS, the Washington Department of Transportation (WSDOT) has designed and begun a procurement process to construct a new eastbound off ramp from SR 518 to Des Moines Memorial Drive in the City of Burien; and

WHEREAS, Sound Transit anticipates the BRT route may cross the improvements and affect WSDOT drainage plans; and

WHEREAS, the funds contained in this action will allow Sound Transit to immediately coordinate with WSDOT on the potential drainage conflict to redesign the impacted area prior to the WSDOT contractor constructing the facility; and

WHEREAS, this will preserve space for a bus-only lane, reduce the cost to Sound Transit, and make the most efficient use of taxpayer funds supporting both projects; and

WHEREAS, administrative funds have been included in this action to fund the current activities as explained in the action; and

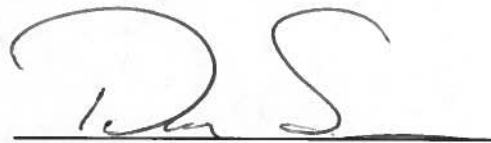
WHEREAS, a two-thirds affirmative vote of the entire membership of the Sound Transit Board is required to revise the adopted 2017 annual operating budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority that the Adopted 2017 Budget be amended to:

Section 1: Create the I-405 Bus Rapid Transit project by (a) establishing the authorized project allocation to date in the amount of \$650,000

Section 2: Establish the 2017 Annual Budget in the amount of \$650,000.

ADOPTED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on June 22, 2017.



Dave Somers  
Board Chair

ATTEST:

  
Kathryn Flores  
Board Administrator