



Legislation Text

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CITY OF SEATTLE
ORDINANCE _____
COUNCIL BILL _____

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Seattle Transportation Benefit District, authorizing the Director of the Seattle Department of Transportation to execute an interlocal agreement with King County Metro Transit to purchase the transit service necessary to implement Seattle Transportation Benefit District Proposition 1.

WHEREAS, City of Seattle Ordinance 123397 established the Seattle Transportation Benefit District (STBD) for preserving and maintaining transportation infrastructure, improving public safety, implementing elements of the Seattle Transportation Strategic Plan and other planning documents, investing in bicycle, pedestrian, freight mobility and transit enhancements and providing people with choices to meet their mobility needs; and

WHEREAS, in Resolution 12, the Governing Board of the Seattle Transportation Benefit District (STBD) submitted a ballot measure (STBD Proposition 1) to the qualified electors of the STBD to authorize up to a one-tenth of one percent sales and use tax and an annual vehicle license fee of up to an additional \$60 per registered vehicle with a \$20 rebate for low-income individuals, for the purposes of funding Metro Transit service in Seattle; and

WHEREAS, on November 4, 2014, STBD Proposition 1 was approved by a majority of qualified electors of the STBD; and

WHEREAS, on December 1, 2014, in Resolution 14, the Governing Board of the STBD imposed the revenue measures approved through the approval of STBD Proposition 1; and

WHEREAS, the STBD intends to enter into an interlocal agreement with the City of Seattle to govern the respective functions of the two entities, including execution and administration of service purchase agreements, ongoing assessment of countywide transit service allocation, administration of the low-income rebate programs, and other functions necessary to implement STBD Proposition 1; and

WHEREAS the City of Seattle intends to effectuate the intent of STBD voters by purchasing more than 123,000 annual transit service hours from Metro Transit, beginning June 9, 2015; and

WHEREAS, it is the goal of the city and county to reduce crowding and improve reliability with the additional city investments during the course of this agreement, consistent with the priorities of the King County Metro Service Guidelines and the Seattle Transit Master Plan. The city and county further have the goal of responding flexibly to ridership demands during the course of this agreement; NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) Director is hereby authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the City of Seattle an interlocal agreement with King County, in the form negotiated and accepted by the Executive, consistent with the key terms in the version attached to this legislation as Attachment A.

Section 2. SDOT will report to the Council’s Transportation Committee all future service change proposals contemplated under section 2.7 of the interlocal agreement. SDOT will report the initial service change proposal at the same time such a proposal is submitted to King County Metro, and will report on King County Metro’s subsequent acceptance or revisions to the proposal.

Section 3. Ratify and Confirm. Any act consistent with the authority of this ordinance taken after its passage and prior to its effective date is ratified and confirmed.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

Passed by the City Council the ____ day of _____, 2015, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this ____ day of _____, 2015.

President _____ of the City Council

Approved by me this ____ day of _____, 2015.

Edward B. Murray, Mayor

Filed by me this ____ day of _____, 2015.

Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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