



Bellevue Transit Master Plan

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TO: Members of the Transportation Commission

CC: Members of the Planning Commission
Members of the Human Services Commission
Members of the Parks and Community Services Board
Members of the Arts Commission

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SUBJECT: Bellevue Transit Master Plan Status Report

INTRODUCTION

The Transit Master Plan (TMP) is a comprehensive look ahead to the type of system that will be required to meet Bellevue's transit needs through 2030. The TMP is being overseen by the City's Transportation Commission whose work is guided by Council approved [project principles](#) and input from members of the Planning, Arts, and Human Services Commissions and the Parks and Community Services Board.

On January 23, 2014 staff will provide Transportation Commission members - and members of other boards and commissions - a status report on the Transit Master Plan. Staff will invite Commissioners and Board members to review and discuss the following two topics:

1. **Metro Service Reduction Proposal** – On January 13, 2014, the City Council scrutinized a status report on King County Metro's financial outlook, then approved sending a letter (see Attachment 1) to the transit agency urging it to maintain the frequency, span, and coverage of three routes in [Metro's service reduction proposal](#). Council's action reaffirms Bellevue's commitment to its Transit Master Plan's principles and Frequent Transit Network. Staff will also summarize [Executive Constantine's and the County Council's intent](#) to use existing statutory authority to form a Transportation Benefit District and place before voters a package that would raise around \$130 million a year for Metro and county roads.
2. **Spring 2013 Transit Usage Data** – Staff will update the Transportation Commission on the most recent round of transit usage data for Metro and Sound Transit (see attached map).

3. **142nd Place SE Transit Emphasis Corridor** – Staff will provide the Transportation Commission with additional information on the potential design of Project L27 identified in the [DRAFT Capital Element Background Report \(Volume 1: Speed and Reliability\)](#).
4. **Downtown Bellevue HOV Lane Corridor Analysis** – Staff will provide the Transportation Commission with new information on micro-simulation modelling work associated with Project L11 (Main Street HOV Lane) and Project L13 (NE 10th Street HOV Lane) identified in the [DRAFT Capital Element Background Report \(Volume 1: Speed and Reliability\)](#).
5. **Transit Signal Priority** – Staff will provide the Transportation Commission with new information on staff’s Transit Signal Priority (TSP) project screening methodology described in the [DRAFT Capital Element Background Report \(Volume 1: Speed and Reliability\)](#). Staff will share the potential grouping of signals under consideration into near and long-term implementation categories.

Attachment 1: Bellevue Staff Letter on Metro Service Reduction Proposal

Attachment 2: Spring 2013 Transit Usage Map