

Response to King County Metro
Transit Service Reduction Proposal

Bellevue City Council Briefing May 27, 2014

Briefing Agenda

- 1. Background
- 2. Proposals from King County & Seattle
- 3. Implications of Transit Cuts for Bellevue
- 4. Solicit Council Direction

Prior to Proposition 1 Vote

- November 7, 2013: Metro releases preliminary service reduction proposal
- January 14, 2014: Bellevue responds with proposal to preserve routes 234, 235, 245, and 271
- February 7, 2014: Metro concludes community outreach process
- April 22, 2014: Proposition No. 1 vote defeated

After Proposition 1 Vote

- April 24: King County Executive releases service reduction proposal
- May 12: County Executive announces proposed
 Community Mobility Contracts option for cities
- May 13: Seattle Mayor announces November 14 ballot measure proposal
- May 15: Open house/public hearing at Bellevue City Hall

King County Executive's Proposal & Principles

Proposal

- 1. Provide Community Mobility Contracts
- 2. Conduct peer review and financial audit
- 3. Establish customer service panel

Principles

- 1. Secure legislative approval of statewide revenue package
- 2. Maintain Metro as a regional system
- 3. Service purchase is temporary
- 4. Preserve as much service as possible

Seattle Mayor's Proposed Ballot Measure

- 1. Raises \$45 million/year
- 2. Preserves 90% of Metro's cuts in Seattle
- 3. Creates \$3 million in matching funds

2014-2015 METRO SERVICE CUTS **Route Deletions & Revisions**

Deleted Routes

167 Renton to University District - Sept. 2015

210 Issaquah to Downtown Seattle - Sept. 2014

211 Eastgate to First Hill - Sept. 2014

215 North Bend to Issaquah, Eastgate, Downtown Seattle - Sept. 2014

Downtown Seattle to Eastgate, North Issaquah - Sept. 2015

217 237 242 Woodinville to Totem Lake, Downtown Seattle - Feb. 2015

Ridgecrest to Overlake - June 2015

243 244 Jackson Park to Montlake, Bellevue - Sept. 2014

Kenmore to Kingsgate, Overlake - Sept. 2015

250 Overlake to Downtown Seattle - Sept. 2014

265 Overlake to Houghton, First Hill - Sept. 2014

280 Downtown Seattle to Bellevue, Renton (Night Owl) - Sept. 2014

Routes with Revised Frequency, Span, and/or Coverage

111 Maplewood to Downtown Seattle - Sept. 2015

114 Renton Highlands to Downtown Seattle - Sept. 2015

221 Redmond to Crossroads, Eastgate - Feb. 2015

226 232 Eastgate to Bel-Red, Bellevue - Sept. 2015

Duvall to Redmond, Overlake, Bellevue - Sept. 2015

Kenmore to Kirkland, Bellevue - Feb. 2015

234 235 240 241 249 255 Totem Lake to Kirkland, Bellevue - Feb. 2015

Bellevue to Factoria, Renton - Sept. 2015

Bellevue to Facotira, Eastgate - Sept. 2015

Overlake to S. Kirkland, Bellevue, S. Bellevue – Sept. 2014/2015

Totem Lake to Kirkland, Downtown Seattle - Feb. 2015

269 Issaquah to Sammamish, Overlake - Sept. 2015

271 Issaguah to Eastgate, Bellevue, U. District - Feb. 2015

Shoreline to Bothell, Bellevue, Renton - Feb. 2015

Unaffected Routes

342

King County Metro

Redmond to Overlake, Crossroads, Bellevue

212 Eastgate to Downtown Seattle

216 Bear Creek to Sammamish, Eastgate, Downtown Seattle

218 Issaquah Highlands to Eastgate, Downtown Seattle

Kirkland to Overlake, Crossroads, Eastgate, Factoria

Eastgate to Somerset, Factoria, Bellevue

246 Sound Transit

245

535

532 Bellevue to Everett

Bellevue to Lynnwood

540 Kirkland to University District

550 Bellevue to Downtown Seattle

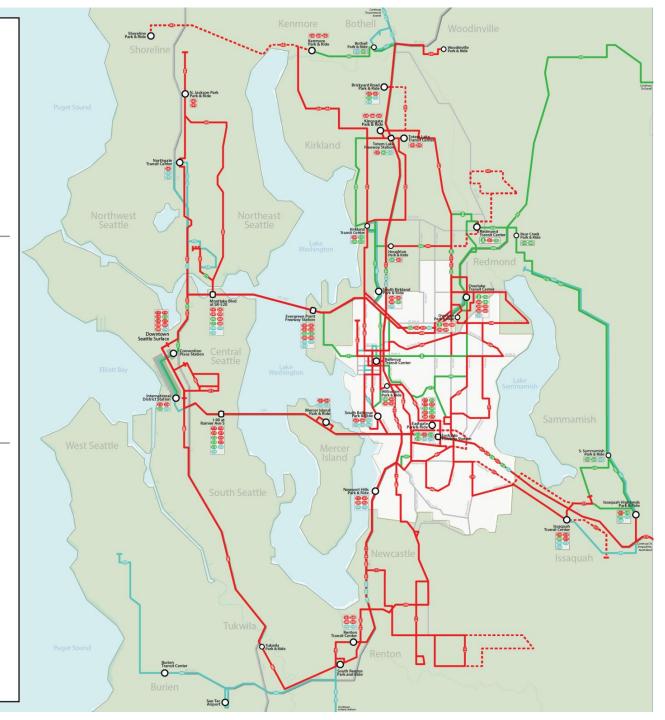
555 Issaquah Highlands to Bellevue, Northgate

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560 Bellevue to Renton, Sea-Tac Airport, Westwood Village

566 Auburn to Kent, Renton, Bellevue, Overlake

567 Kent to Bellevue, Overlake



Implications of Reduction Proposal in Bellevue

- Plan affects 26 of the 33 Metro routes in Bellevue
- Approximately 35,000 daily weekday rides



Commuters



Students



People with Disabilities



Seniors



Roadway Users

Metro Service Changes for Bellevue

September 2014

- 7 routes deleted (210, 211, 215, 243, 250, 265, 280)
- 2 routes revised (212, 249)

February 2015

- 1 route deleted (237)
- 6 routes revised (221, 234, 235, 255, 271, 342)

June 2015

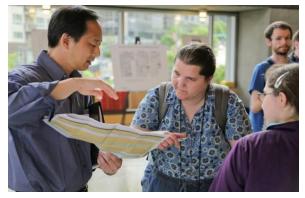
Route deleted (242)

September 2015

- 3 routes deleted (167, 217, 244)
- 9 routes revised (111, 114, 212, 226, 232, 240, 241, 249, 269)

Impacts: Themes from Community Outreach







Reduced Frequency

- Longer Waiting Times
- More Difficult Connections
- Reduced Reliability
- Routes 'Too Infrequent To Be Useful'

Reduced Hours of Operation

- Reduced Mobility at Night
- Reduced Access for Swing Shift Workers
- Reduced 24/7 Urban Vitality

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Reduced Access

- Bellevue College
- Eastgate/I-90 Offices

Deleted Routes

- More Overcrowding
- More Transfers
- Longer Commutes
- More People Driving

Next Steps: Transit Master Plan

- **Next Briefing on Cuts:** June 23 or 7/7?
- June 2, 2014: Presentation of Transportation
 Commission's Draft Transit Master Plan to Council
- June 26, 2014: Public hearing on Draft Transit Master Plan held before the Transportation Commission
- July 7, 2014: Proposed Council action on the Transit Master Plan