

RESOLUTION NO. 1270

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON, STRONGLY RECOMMENDING THE 152ND AVENUE NE ALIGNMENT ALTERNATIVE AS CRITICAL TO ACHIEVING THE VISION FOR OVERLAKE VILLAGE AND SUPPORTING THE REMAINDER OF THE ALIGNMENT THROUGH REDMOND AND BELLEVUE AND THE GENERAL STOP/STATION LOCATIONS FOR THE PROPOSED METRO TRANSIT BELLEVUE-REDMOND RAPIDRIDE SERVICE FUNDED THROUGH THE TRANSIT NOW INITIATIVE.

WHEREAS, Transit Now is a King County Metro Transit initiative passed by King County voters in November 2006; and

WHEREAS, the goal of Transit Now is to expand Metro Transit service by 15 to 20 percent over the next decade; and

WHEREAS, Bellevue-Redmond RapidRide, a bus rapid transit service, is funded as part of the Transit Now initiative; and

WHEREAS, Metro Transit proposed two alternative alignments for Bellevue-Redmond RapidRide through Overlake between NE 24th Street and NE 31st Street: 152nd Avenue NE and 156th Avenue NE; and

WHEREAS, the criteria used to evaluate the suitability of the Bellevue-Redmond RapidRide alignment include consistency with land use goals and access to transit supportive land uses in the corridor; feasible speed and performance gains and improvements where needed; connectivity to local and regional bus, planned Link light rail, and other modes of travel; directness and ease of understanding for customers; maximization of opportunities to restructure existing service with minimal negative impacts to customers; and potential for ridership growth and strong, all-day travel demand; and

WHEREAS, the 152nd Avenue NE alignment alternative provides significantly more existing and future land use support for the Bellevue-Redmond RapidRide service than the 156th Avenue NE alignment alternative; and

WHEREAS, speed and performance gains are feasible along the 152nd Avenue NE alignment alternative; and

WHEREAS, the 152nd Avenue NE alignment alternative will provide connectivity to local and regional buses serving the Overlake Park and Ride on 152nd Avenue NE and to planned Link light rail; and

WHEREAS, the 152nd Avenue NE alignment alternative maximizes opportunities to restructure existing service with minimal negative impacts to customers by serving the Overlake Park and Ride on 152nd Avenue NE; and

WHEREAS, on December 11, 2007, the City Council adopted Ordinances 2382 and 2384 amending the Comprehensive Plan to update the Overlake Neighborhood Plan; and

WHEREAS, the updated Overlake Neighborhood Plan projects an increase of 5,500 residential units in Overlake Village through the year 2030, representing strong potential for ridership growth and strong, all-day travel demand for the Bellevue-Redmond RapidRide service; and

WHEREAS, the 152nd Avenue NE alignment achieves an appropriate balance between speed and access for RapidRide customers; and

WHEREAS, on November 15, 2005, the City Council adopted Resolution 1217 adopting the Transportation Master Plan as a functional plan; and

WHEREAS, on May 2, 2006, the City Council adopted Ordinance 2287 adopting portions of the Transportation Master Plan into the Transportation and Capital Facilities Elements of the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Master Plan designates 152nd Avenue NE between NE 24th Street and NE 31st Street as a Multi-Modal Corridor; and

WHEREAS, Multi-Modal Corridors are corridors on which to focus infrastructure improvements to improve multi-modal mobility in Redmond; and

WHEREAS, Bellevue-Redmond RapidRide service is an infrastructure improvement that will serve to improve multi-modal mobility in Redmond; and

WHEREAS, the 152nd Avenue NE alignment alternative is consistent with the Overlake Master Plan and Implementation Strategy adopted on December 11, 2007 as part of the Overlake Neighborhood Plan update; and

WHEREAS, the Overlake Master Plan and Implementation Strategy states that having RapidRide service on 152nd Avenue NE will be critical in achieving the vision for Overlake Village; and

WHEREAS, the proposed alignment of the Bellevue-Redmond RapidRide service from NE 31st Street in Overlake to Downtown Redmond is consistent with the Redmond Transportation Master Plan and Comprehensive Plan policies; and

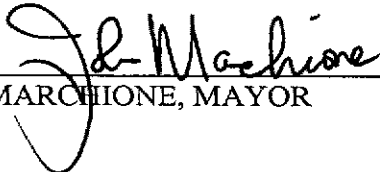
WHEREAS, the proposed stop and station locations of the Bellevue-Redmond RapidRide service will improve access to transit service for Redmond residents; NOW, THEREFORE,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Council of the City of Redmond, Washington, hereby strongly recommends the 152nd Avenue NE alignment alternative proposed for Bellevue-Redmond RapidRide service as critical to achieving the vision for Overlake Village, and supports the remainder of the alignment and general stop and station locations as shown in Exhibit "A." Exhibit "A" is attached hereto and made a part hereof as though set forth in full herein. Exhibit "A" is comprised of the Bellevue-Redmond RapidRide proposed station and corridor stops map

RESOLVED this 15th day of April 2008.

CITY OF REDMOND



JOHN MARCHIONE, MAYOR

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:



MICHELLE MCGEHEE, CITY CLERK

FILED WITH THE CLERK:	April 10, 2008
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL:	April 15, 2008
SIGNED BY THE MAYOR:	April 15, 2008
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EXHIBIT A

