

RESOLUTION NO 1027

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING PASSAGE OF THE
RTA TEN-YEAR REGIONAL TRANSIT SYSTEM
PLAN MEASURE TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE
VOTERS ON NOVEMBER 5, 1996.

WHEREAS, in June 1988, the Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle (METRO) adopted Resolution No. 5506 directing Metro staff to propose a rail and bus system for its long range public transportation plan so that a high capacity segment in King County could be built by the year 2000, and

WHEREAS, in March 1989, Metro adopted Resolution No. 5566 approving a four-year rail and integrated bus system planning work program to be included as one of the alternatives of Metro's Year 2000 Public Transportation Plan, and

WHEREAS, in March 1990, HB 1825, High Capacity Transit (HCT) legislation, provided for the establishment of the Joint Regional Policy Committee (JRPC) and a process for the development of a high capacity transit system plan, and

WHEREAS, in March 1992, ESHB 2610, Regional Transit Authority (RTA) legislation, gave authority to the JRPC to adopt a system and financing plan, including the services area definition for a regional transit plan by September 1, 1992, and

WHEREAS, the Eastside Transportation Program Steering Committee unanimously approved a resolution in March 1992 endorsing rail as an element of one or more alternatives for the Regional Transit Project System Plan and identifying the conditions upon which the ETP will support a system plan, regardless of technology, and

WHEREAS, on June 16, 1992, the Redmond City Council adopted Resolution No. 899 which endorsed rail as a critical element of the Regional Transit Project, and

WHEREAS, on June 16, 1992, the Redmond City Council adopted Resolution No. 901 which emphasized the role of Overlake and the Redmond Downtown as important urban centers and called for consideration of high capacity transit service to these areas during the first phase of Regional Transit Project system development, and

WHEREAS, on June 15, 1993, the Redmond City Council adopted Resolution No. 950 endorsing the formation of a Regional Transit Authority by the King County Council for the purposes of advancing design and implementation of expanded regional transit services, and

WHEREAS, on September 27, 1994, the Redmond City Council adopted Resolution No. 987, outlining the City of Redmond's findings and policy regarding development of a Regional Transit Authority ballot measure and identifying RTA ballot measure elements necessary for continued support by the City of Redmond, and

WHEREAS, on October 28, 1994, the RTA Board approved a ballot proposal for a Regional Transit System Master Plan and Phase One components to be placed before the voters on March 14, 1995, which was forwarded to the King, Pierce, and Snohomish County Councils and approved by them for the March 1995 vote.

WHEREAS, the proposed Master Plan and Phase I System proposals went to the voters on March 14, 1995, was approved within King County, but failed to receive majority approval in Pierce and Snohomish Counties, and

WHEREAS, the RTA has revised the rapid transit proposal for the three county region, and has developed a ten-year regional system plan which provides reasonable equity among RTA subareas and specifically identifies the following facilities and services for the Eastside district:

- \$145 million for ten all-day region express bus lines (S. Everett to Bellevue, Lynnwood to Bellevue, Woodinville to Northgate, Issaquah to Northgate, Redmond to Bellevue/Seattle, Redmond to

Seattle, Bellevue to SeaTac, Redmond to the University District, Federal Way to Bellevue, and Puyallup to Bellevue),

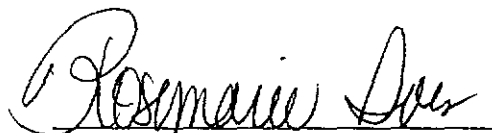
- \$258 million for seven HOV direct access ramps to either I-90 or I-405 from Eastside arterials, and
- \$109 million to be allocated for community connection improvements that enhance access to the regional system.

WHEREAS, the RTA adopted "Ten-Year Regional Transit System Plan" improvements satisfy the requirements established by the City of Redmond City Council in Resolution No. 987 in order to receive its support, NOW, THEREFORE,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDMOND HEREBY RESOLVES to support implementation of the RTA "Ten-Year Regional Transit System Plan" as a step forward in completing a regional rapid transit system and urges Redmond citizens to carefully consider the Plan and to show their support for the proposal by voting "yes" on November 5, 1996.

RESOLVED this the 16 day of July 1996.

CITY OF REDMOND


ROSEMARIE IVES, MAYOR

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:


CITY CLERK, BONNIE MATTSON

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: July 11, 1996
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: July 16, 1996
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