



KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

October 10, 2017

Ordinance 18579

Proposed No. 2017-0340.3

Sponsors Dembowski

1 AN ORDINANCE approving March 2018 public
2 transportation service changes for King County.

3 STATEMENT OF FACTS:

4 1. The proposed changes to Metro's fixed route transit network include
5 changes that affect service in the cities of Federal Way, Issaquah, Kent,
6 Kirkland, Redmond, Renton, Sammamish and Seattle.

7 2. The proposed changes are consistent with the policy direction and
8 priorities adopted in Ordinance 18301, enacted June 16, 2016, in the 2015
9 update to King County Metro's Strategic Plan for Public Transportation
10 2011-2021 and associated Service Guidelines.

11 3. Metro's adopted 2017/2018 budget includes funding to add service to
12 corridors throughout King County that are currently below the target
13 service levels (also referred to as Priority 3 service investment needs) set
14 by Metro's Service Guidelines.

15 4. The proposed service changes would add service on Routes 74, 153,
16 183 and 930, which were identified as operating on corridors served below
17 their target service levels in the King County Metro 2016 System
18 Evaluation Report.

19 5. Construction of the Center City Connector Streetcar, beginning in

20 August 2017, will prevent contiguous bus operation on First Avenue in
21 downtown Seattle until its completion in 2020.

22 6. In August 2017, Route 99 will begin operating on a construction
23 reroute, using Second and Third Avenues in downtown Seattle.

24 7. In 2017, Metro conducted public outreach concerning proposed
25 changes to service on First Avenue in downtown Seattle provided by
26 Route 99, which identified public support for the Route 99 and transit
27 service for the waterfront and northwest Belltown.

28 8. The proposed service changes would discontinue Route 99 with the
29 March 2018 service change. A related administrative service change
30 would revise Route 29 to provide northbound and southbound service on
31 First Avenue between Denny Way and Lenora Street. Metro will work
32 with the city to seek approval of a southbound stop at First Avenue and
33 Broad Street.

34 9. Following completion of construction on the waterfront and the Center
35 City Connector Streetcar, Metro intends to work with the city of Seattle
36 and other partners to provide equal or better than current transit service to
37 northwest Belltown, to other areas served by the Route 99 and to the
38 waterfront.

39 10. The proposed service changes would add trips on Route 102 to
40 maintain capacity between the South Renton Park & Ride and downtown
41 Seattle, in support of an administrative routing change to Route 101 that
42 creates direct service between the Renton Transit Center and downtown

43 Seattle, and was requested by the city of Renton to move layover away
44 from the Renter Transit Center.

45 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

46 SECTION 1. The March 2018 public transportation service changes for King
47 County, substantially as described in Attachment A to this ordinance, are hereby
48 approved and shall be implemented effective March 10, 2018.

49 SECTION 2. Customized service provided to residents of Center Park, a facility
50 of the Seattle Housing Authority located at 2121 - 26th Avenue South, Seattle shall
51 continue to be provided during the hours that were in effect as of September 1, 2017,
52 using Metro vehicles appropriate for the operating conditions. This schedule shall

53 remain in effect until the effective date of the September 2018 service change unless
54 another service schedule is approved by the council by ordinance.
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Ordinance 18579 was introduced on 8/28/2017 and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 10/9/2017, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Dunn,
Mr. McDermott, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Upthegrove, Ms. Kohl-Welles
and Ms. Balducci
No: 0
Excused: 0

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Joseph McDermott, Chair



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ATTEST:

Melani Pedroza, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this 19th day of OCTOBER, 2017.

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Dow Constantine, County Executive

Attachments: A. March 2018 Public Transportation Service Changes for King County, dated October 3, 2017

18579 ATTACHMENT A

October 3, 2017

**MARCH 2018
PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SERVICE CHANGES
FOR KING COUNTY**

ROUTE: 74

OBJECTIVES:

Invest additional hours to improve transit service on corridors identified as below target service levels in the King County Metro 2016 System Evaluation Report, in accordance with the Strategic Plan for Public Transportation, 2011-2021 and King County Metro Service Guidelines, and as funded through the 2017-2018 King County Budget:

- *Strategic Plan Strategy 2*

Strategic Plan Strategy 2.1.1: Offer a variety of public transportation products and services that are appropriate to different markets and mobility needs.

Strategic Plan Strategy 2.1.3: Provide products and services that are designed to provide geographic value in all parts of King County.

- *Strategic Plan Strategy 3*

2.1: Expand services to accommodate the region's growing population and serve new transit markets.

4.1: Serve centers and other areas of concentrated activity, consistent with *Transportation 2040*.

- *Strategic Plan Strategy 4.1.1:* Increase the proportion of travel in King County that is provided by public transportation products and services.

- *Strategic Plan Strategy 6.1.1:* Manage the transit system through service guidelines and performance measures.

IMPACTED SERVICE AREA:

Seattle

SERVICE CHANGE:

Improve service to operate every 30 minutes mid-day on weekdays, on the portion of the route between Sand Point and the University District.

ROUTE: 99

OBJECTIVES:

Realign service in northwest Belltown and downtown Seattle during construction on First Avenue and the waterfront, with the future goal of working with the City of Seattle and other partners to provide equal or better transit service in the area served by Route 99 and the waterfront, in accordance with the Strategic Plan for Public Transportation, 2011 2021 and King County Metro Service Guidelines:

- *Strategic Plan Strategy 3.2.1: Expand services to accommodate the region's growing population and serve new transit markets.*
 - *Service Design Guideline 1: Network connections.* Routes should be designed in the context of the entire transportation system.
 - *Service Design Guideline 2: Multiple purposes and destinations.* Routes are more efficient when designed to serve multiple purposes and destinations rather than specialized travel demands.
 - *Service Design Guideline 4: Route spacing and duplication.* Routes should be designed to avoid competing for the same riders.
- *Strategic Plan Strategy 3.2.2: Coordinate and develop services and facilities with other providers, local jurisdictions and the private sector to create an integrated and efficient regional transportation system that takes innovative approaches to approving mobility.*
- *Strategic Plan Strategy 3.4.1: Serve centers and other areas of concentrated activity, consistent with Transportation 2040.*

IMPACTED SERVICE AREA:

Downtown Seattle, northwest Belltown

SERVICE CHANGE:

Discontinue Route 99. Alternative service will be provided by: an administrative change to Route 29 adding north-south service on 1st Avenue between Denny Way and Lenora Street with northbound service on Third Avenue south of Lenora Street and southbound service on Second Avenue south of Virginia Street; and multiple bus routes operating on the Third Avenue transit spine. Metro will seek city approval of a southbound Route 29 stop at First Avenue and Broad Street. Ultimately Metro's goal is to work with the City of Seattle, the Office of the Waterfront, the Port of Seattle and other partners to provide

equal or better service than the Route 99 currently provides on the Route 99 alignment and the waterfront.

ROUTE: 102

OBJECTIVES:

Invest hours toward maintaining capacity on direct service between the South Renton Park & Ride and downtown Seattle during peak commute hours, in accordance with the Strategic Plan for Public Transportation, 2011-2021 and King County Metro Service Guidelines:

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 - Strategic Plan Strategy 2.1.1:* Offer a variety of public transportation products and services that are appropriate to different markets and mobility needs.
 - Strategic Plan Strategy 2.1.3:* Provide products and services that are designed to provide geographic value in all parts of King County.
- *Strategic Plan Strategy 3*
 - 2.1:* Expand services to accommodate the region's growing population and serve new transit markets.
 - 4.1:* Serve centers and other areas of concentrated activity, consistent with *Transportation 2040*.
- *Strategic Plan Strategy 4.1.1:* Increase the proportion of travel in King County that is provided by public transportation products and services.
- *Strategic Plan Strategy 6.1.1:* Manage the transit system through service guidelines and performance measures.

IMPACTED SERVICE AREA:

Renton, Seattle

SERVICE CHANGE:

Reallocate eight weekday peak trips from Route 101 to Route 102 to maintain passenger capacity on direct trips between the South Renton Park & Ride and downtown Seattle, in support of an administrative change to Route 101 that would create direct service between the Renton Transit Center and downtown Seattle. Route 101 is being revised administratively to begin and end at the South Renton Park & Ride instead of the Renton Transit Center, at the request of the City of Renton in support of its Civic Core Vision.

ROUTE: 153

OBJECTIVES:

Invest additional hours to improve transit service on corridors identified as below target service levels in the King County Metro 2016 System Evaluation Report, in accordance with the Strategic Plan for Public Transportation, 2011-2021 and King County Metro Service Guidelines, and as funded through the 2017-2018 King County Budget:

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- *Strategic Plan Strategy 3*

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IMPACTED SERVICE AREA:

Kent, Renton

SERVICE CHANGE:

Improve service to operate every 30 minutes mid-day on weekdays.

ROUTE: 183

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IMPACTED SERVICE AREA:

Federal Way, Kent

SERVICE CHANGE:

Improve service to operate every 30 minutes mid-day and every 60 minutes at night on weekdays.

ROUTE: 930

OBJECTIVES:

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IMPACTED SERVICE AREA:

Kirkland, Redmond

SERVICE CHANGE:

Improve service to operate every 30 minutes later in the morning (until 9:30 a.m.) and starting earlier in the afternoon (beginning at 2:15 p.m.) weekdays.