



KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

October 20, 2015

Ordinance 18132

Proposed No. 2015-0349.1

Sponsors Phillips

1 AN ORDINANCE approving public transportation service
2 changes for March 2016 that include countywide service
3 changes and the extension of RapidRide C and D Lines
4 funded by the city of Seattle through the transit service
5 funding agreement with King County.

6 **STATEMENT OF FACTS:**

- 7 1. The proposed changes are consistent with the policy direction and
8 priorities adopted on August 30, 2013, in the 2013 update to King County
9 Metro's Strategic Plan for Public Transportation 2011-2021 and associated
10 Service Guidelines, adopted in Ordinance 17641.
- 11 2. In accordance with the strategic plan's direction to secure sustainable
12 funding for short-term transportation needs and identify partnerships with
13 local jurisdictions and businesses as a potential revenue source to support
14 transit service, Metro and the city of Seattle have entered into a fully
15 revenue-backed transit service funding agreement to provide city financial
16 support for transit service in the city of Seattle, approved in Ordinance
17 17978.

18 3. The proposed change to extend the RapidRide C and D Lines is being
19 requested by the city in accordance with the transit service funding
20 agreement.

21 4. In accordance with Metro's Five Year Alternative Services Plan
22 adopted by Motion 13736 and Ordinance 17941 which established a
23 budget for Alternative Services, Metro conducted appropriate planning
24 and outreach with community stakeholders and local jurisdictions to
25 develop an alternative service proposal that restructures southeast King
26 County routes, including routes 915 and 907, to improve efficiency and
27 provide right-size services in that market.

28 5. Utilizing funding made available through a Washington State Regional
29 Mobility Grant will give Metro and Sound Transit the opportunity to
30 alleviate overcrowding in the Interstate 5 corridor by adding service on
31 routes 179 and 190.

32 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

33 SECTION 1. The March 2016 public transportation service changes for King
34 County, substantially as described in Attachment A to this ordinance, are hereby
35 approved and shall be implemented effective March 12, 2016.

36 SECTION 2. The March 2016 extension of RapidRide C and D Lines,
37 substantially as described in Attachment B to this ordinance, is hereby approved and shall
38 be implemented

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40 effective March 26, 2016, in accordance with the transit service funding agreement
41 approved on February 17, 2015, in Ordinance 17978.
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Ordinance 18132 was introduced on 8/31/2015 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 10/19/2015, by the following vote:


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

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Larry Phillips, Chair


ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

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APPROVED this 22nd day of October, 2015.



Dow Constantine, County Executive

Attachments: A. March 2016 Public Transportation Service Changes for King County, B. March 2016 Public Transportation Service Changes for King County - Rapidride C and D Line Extensions

August 18, 2015

**MARCH 2016
PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SERVICE
CHANGES FOR KING COUNTY**

ROUTE: 200

OBJECTIVES:

Implement changes, developed in collaboration with the City of Issaquah, to Route 200 that would improve route performance and rider demand, in accordance with the Strategic Plan for Public Transportation, 2011-2021 and King County Metro Service Guidelines:

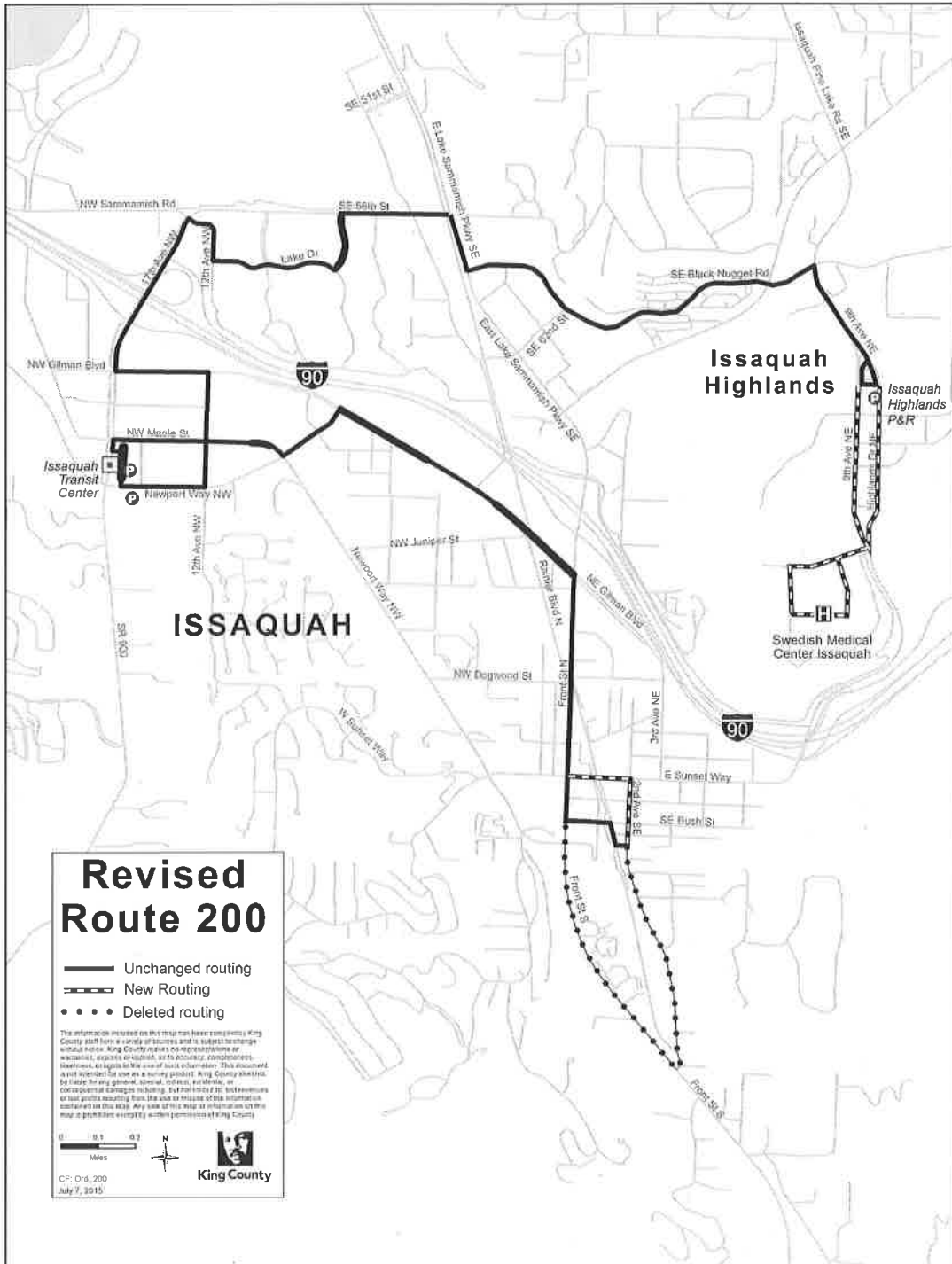
- *Strategic Plan Strategy 3.2.1:* Expand services to accommodate the region's growing population and serve new transit markets.
- *Strategic Plan Strategy 3.4.1:* Serve centers and other areas of concentrated activity, consistent with *Transportation 2040*.
- *Strategic Plan Strategy 6.1.1:* Manage the transit system through service guidelines and performance measures.
 - *Service Design Guideline* – A route that operates directly between two locations is faster and more attractive to riders than one that takes a long, circuitous path.
 - *Service Design Guideline* – Routes are more efficient when designed to serve multiple purposes and destinations rather than specialized travel demands.

IMPACTED SERVICE AREA:

Issaquah, Issaquah Highlands

SERVICE CHANGE:

Extend Route 200 to serve Swedish Medical Center - Issaquah, and delete loop segment on Front Street South (south of Southeast Bush Street) and 2nd Avenue Southeast, near Issaquah High School.



ROUTE: 179

OBJECTIVES:

Provide enhanced service along the I-5 South corridor by working with regional partners and utilizing funding made available through a Regional Mobility Grant, in accordance with the Strategic Plan for Public Transportation, 2011-2021:

- *Strategic Plan Strategy 3.1.1:* Through investments and partnerships with regional organizations, local jurisdictions and the private sector, provide alternatives to driving alone.
- *Strategic Plan Strategy 3.2.1:* Expand services to accommodate the region's growing population and serve new transit markets.

IMPACTED SERVICE AREA:

Federal Way, Star Lake, Midway, South Park, South Seattle, Seattle CBD

SERVICE CHANGE:

Improve service by adding about two AM and two PM peak trips.

ROUTE: 190

OBJECTIVES:

Provide enhanced service along the I-5 South corridor by working with regional partners and utilizing funding made available through a Regional Mobility Grant, in accordance with the Strategic Plan for Public Transportation, 2011-2021:

- *Strategic Plan Strategy 3.1.1:* Through investments and partnerships with regional organizations, local jurisdictions and the private sector, provide alternatives to driving alone.
- *Strategic Plan Strategy 3.2.1:* Expand services to accommodate the region's growing population and serve new transit markets.

IMPACTED SERVICE AREA:

Redondo, Midway, Tukwila, Skyway, South Park, South Seattle, Seattle CBD

SERVICE CHANGE:

Improve service by adding about two AM and two PM peak trips.

ROUTE: 915 DART

OBJECTIVES:

Restructure Southeast King County routes in order to improve efficiency and right-size services in their respective markets, in accordance with the Strategic Plan for Public Transportation, 2011-2021 and King County Metro Service Guidelines:

- *Strategic Plan Strategy 2.1.1:* Design and offer a variety of public transportation products and services appropriate to different markets and mobility needs.
- *Strategic Plan Strategy 2.1.4:* Seek to provide to the general public an extensive range of transportation alternatives to regular or fixed-route transit, such as ridesharing and other alternatives or “right-sized” services.
- *Strategic Plan Strategy 3.2.1:* Expand services to accommodate the region's growing population and serve new transit markets. Coordinate and develop services and facilities with other providers to create an integrated and efficient regional transportation system.
- *Strategic Plan Strategy 6.1.1:* Manage the transit system through service guidelines and performance measures.
 - *Service Design Guideline* – Routes should provide frequency and span appropriate to the market served and should serve connection points where riders can connect to frequent services, opening up the widest possible range of travel options.

IMPACTED SERVICE AREA:

Auburn, Enumclaw

SERVICE CHANGE:

Improve service frequency to approximately every 60 minutes. The number of trips would be increased from about 10 to 16, and the span of service would run later, until about 5:00 p.m. rather than 4:30 p.m.

August 25, 2015

**MARCH 2016
PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SERVICE
CHANGES FOR KING COUNTY –
RAPIDRIDE C AND D LINE EXTENSIONS**

ROUTE: RapidRide C Line (673)

OBJECTIVES:

Invest in service according to the Strategic Plan for Public Transportation, 2011-2021 and King County Metro Service Guidelines¹:

- *Strategic Plan Strategy 3.1.1*: Through investments and partnerships with regional organizations, local jurisdictions and the private sector, provide alternatives to driving alone that connect people to jobs, education and other destinations essential to King County's economic vitality.
- *Strategic Plan Strategy 3.2.1*: Expand services to accommodate the region's growing population and serve new transit markets. Coordinate and develop services and facilities with other providers to create an integrated and efficient regional transportation system.
- *Strategic Plan Strategy 3.4.1*: Serve centers and other areas of concentrated activity, consistent with *Transportation 2040*.
- *Strategic Plan Strategy 6.1.1*: Manage the transit system through service guidelines and performance measures.
 - *Service Design Guideline* – Routes should provide frequency and span appropriate to the market served.
 - *Service Design Guideline* – Routes should be long enough to provide useful connections for riders and to be more attractive than other travel modes, but should not be so long that they have poor reliability.

IMPACTED SERVICE AREA:

West Seattle, Seattle CBD, South Lake Union

SERVICE CHANGE:

Disconnect the RapidRide C Line from the RapidRide D Line and extend to South Lake Union.

¹King County Metro Transit – Strategic Plan for Public Transportation 2011-2021 – 2013 Update

ROUTE: RapidRide D Line (674)

OBJECTIVES:

Invest in service according to the Strategic Plan for Public Transportation, 2011-2021 and King County Metro Service Guidelines:

- *Strategic Plan Strategy 3.1.1:* Through investments and partnerships with regional organizations, local jurisdictions and the private sector, provide alternatives to driving alone that connect people to jobs, education and other destinations essential to King County's economic vitality.
- *Strategic Plan Strategy 3.2.1:* Expand services to accommodate the region's growing population and serve new transit markets. Coordinate and develop services and facilities with other providers to create an integrated and efficient regional transportation system.
- *Strategic Plan Strategy 3.4.1:* Serve centers and other areas of concentrated activity, consistent with *Transportation 2040*.
- *Strategic Plan Strategy 6.1.1:* Manage the transit system through service guidelines and performance measures.
 - *Service Design Guideline* – Routes should provide frequency and span appropriate to the market served.
 - *Service Design Guideline* – Routes should be long enough to provide useful connections for riders and to be more attractive than other travel modes, but should not be so long that they have poor reliability.

IMPACTED SERVICE AREA:

Ballard, Uptown, Seattle CBD, Pioneer Square

SERVICE CHANGE:

Disconnect the RapidRide D Line from the RapidRide C Line and extend to Pioneer Square.

