



Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE relating to the city of Kirkland's South Kirkland Park-and-Ride elevator and pedestrian bridge project; approving an interlocal agreement between King County and the city of Kirkland to provide partial funding for the project, and authorizing the King County executive to execute temporary and permanent easements for the project.

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

1. The South Kirkland Park-and-Ride is a King County transit division-owned and operated facility located at 3677 108th Ave NE in the city of Bellevue.
2. The South Kirkland Park-and-Ride provides more than eight hundred parking spaces and serves numerous transit division (also known as "Metro Transit") and Sound Transit bus routes, and thus is as an important hub within the region's multi-modal transportation network.
3. The South Kirkland Park-and-Ride is an element of a transit-oriented development project encompassing several adjacent parcels, intended to foster close connections between growing dense residential communities and the region's multimodal transportation network.
4. The Cross Kirkland Corridor ("the CKC") is an approximately 5.75 mile segment of the railbanked Eastside Rail Corridor ("the ERC") owned by the city of Kirkland, extending from 108th Avenue NE in Bellevue to Slater Ave NE in Kirkland and encompassing the area of the CKC affected by the planned South Kirkland Park-and-Ride pedestrian bridge,
5. The city of Kirkland has developed a gravel-surface trail receiving significant use by commuters and recreational users over the CKC.

6. The city of Kirkland has completed a master plan for the CKC that calls for implementation of a finished paved-surface trail throughout the CKC.
7. In 2009, King County acquired a multipurpose easement throughout the railbanked ERC and was designated the interim trail user over the railbanked ERC, including in the area of the CKC affected by the planned South Kirkland Park-and-Ride pedestrian bridge, and retains these interests and related rights and responsibilities in this area.
8. The King County wastewater treatment division owns and operates the Eastside Interceptor facility, a critical element of the regional wastewater treatment system serving the urban area in east King County, a segment of which is located in the portion of the CKC affected by the planned South Kirkland Park-and-Ride pedestrian bridge.
9. The city of Kirkland seeks to fund, plan, design, permit, construct, operate and maintain an elevator and pedestrian bridge that connect the CKC to the South Kirkland Park-and-Ride, in support of improved, Americans with Disabilities Act-accessible connectivity between the multiple modes of transportation present at the Park-and-Ride and the CKC.
10. To construct the elevator and pedestrian bridge, the city of Kirkland will obtain from King County a temporary construction easement over the South Kirkland Park-and-Ride, and coordinate with the King County wastewater treatment division to protect the Eastside Interceptor.
11. To operate and maintain the completed elevator and pedestrian bridge in a manner consistent with transit purposes, the city of Kirkland will obtain from King County a permanent easement over the South Kirkland Park-and-Ride.
12. Ordinance 17707, passed December 9, 2013, the King County council included Section 13, Expenditure Restriction ER6, which amended Ordinance 17476, Section 63, as amended. The expenditure restriction directed that \$75,000 from the parks capital fund be expended or

encumbered for the city of Kirkland's elevator and pedestrian bridge project at King County Metro Transit's South Kirkland Park-and-Ride facility only after council approval of an interlocal agreement for disbursement of funds.

13. In Ordinance 17707, passed December 9, 2013, the King County council included Section 32, Expenditure Restriction ER1, which amended Ordinance 17476, Section 136, as amended. The expenditure restriction directed that \$75,000 from public transportation capital fund be expended or encumbered for the city of Kirkland's elevator and pedestrian bridge project at King County Metro Transit's South Kirkland Park-and-Ride facility only after council approval of an interlocal agreement for disbursement of funds.

14. The King County department of natural resources and parks, department of transportation and prosecuting attorney's office have coordinated and collaborated with the city of Kirkland to prepare an interlocal agreement to facilitate implementation of the elevator and pedestrian bridge project.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. As contemplated in Ordinance 17707, Section 13, Expenditure Restriction ER6, and Section 32, Expenditure Restriction ER1, the King County council hereby approves the expenditure or encumbrance of \$150,000 from King County to the city of Kirkland in support of the South Kirkland Park-and-Ride elevator and pedestrian bridge project consistent with an interlocal agreement substantially in the form of Attachment A to this ordinance.

SECTION 2. The county executive is authorized to sign the interlocal agreement substantially in the form of Attachment A to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. The county executive is authorized to sign easements substantially in the form of Exhibits D and E to Attachment A to this ordinance.