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**CITY OF SEATTLE**  
**RESOLUTION** 31488

A RESOLUTION conveying the City of Seattle's comments on the scope of the supplemental environmental impact statement for the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority's update to its Long-Range Plan.

WHEREAS, the City of Seattle has developed a Transit Master Plan (TMP) that includes a high-capacity transit network for travel between neighborhoods and urban centers within Seattle, including multiple points of connection with Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority's (Sound Transit's) regional system; and

WHEREAS, Seattle's TMP includes high-capacity and rail transit modes in some corridors, including streetcar, rapid streetcar, and bus rapid transit; and

WHEREAS, Sound Transit 2, a plan approved by voters in 2008, included capital and operating funds for a limited number of "connector" projects, which can provide critical last-mile connections from regional transit stations and significantly enhance overall system ridership;

WHEREAS, Sound Transit is updating its Long-Range Plan to plan and design new transit expansions and funding at the same time currently-funded projects are under construction, NOW, THEREFORE,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE, THE  
MAYOR CONCURRING, THAT:**

Section 1. The City of Seattle submits the following comments to the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority (Sound Transit) on its Long-Range Plan update and the scope of the supplemental environmental impact statement for the Long-Range Plan update:

- 1 a. Formally acknowledge Seattle's Transit Master Plan (TMP) and analyze the relationship  
2 of the TMP to the Long-Range Plan, given the important role that urban centers in Seattle  
3 play in the transit network and in regional growth management.
- 4 b. Prioritize the corridors and modes in the TMP that may be appropriate candidate projects  
5 for Sound Transit's Long-Range Plan, potentially in partnership with the City of Seattle  
6 This may include broadening the agency's interpretation of High Capacity Transit (HCT),  
7 consistent with state enabling legislation, or may entail identification of partnership  
8 programs for municipal systems that feature alternative high-capacity transit modes.
- 9 c. Study the feasibility of providing capital and/or operating support for connector services.
- 10 d. Seek opportunities for an enhanced role of partner governments in Transit Oriented  
11 Development (TOD), possibly with programs that address both TOD on Sound Transit-  
12 owned parcels and privately owned parcels. Consider opportunities associated with  
13 stations developed under Sound Move and Sound Transit 2 (ST2), as well as for new  
14 projects that may be funded under a future ballot measure.
- 15 e. Analyze opportunities to expand the System Access Program developed for ST2,  
16 including agency and partnership opportunities to enhance access to HCT  
17 stations. Consider opportunities associated with stations developed under Sound Move  
18 and ST2, as well as for new projects that may be funded under a future ballot measure.
- 19 f. Build on the corridor planning studies currently underway to consider additional HCT  
20 corridors in Seattle, such as University District/Ballard/Downtown and West  
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Adopted by the City Council the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013, and  
signed by me in open session in authentication of its adoption this \_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.

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President \_\_\_\_\_ of the City Council

THE MAYOR CONCURRING:

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Michael McGinn, Mayor

Filed by me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.

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Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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**FISCAL NOTE FOR NON-CAPITAL PROJECTS**

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**Legislation Title:**

A RESOLUTION conveying the City of Seattle's comments on the scope of the supplemental environmental impact statement for the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority's update to its Long-Range Plan.

**Summary of the Legislation:**

This legislation states Council and Executive comments on the on the scope of the supplemental environmental impact statement for the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority's (Sound Transit) update to its Long-Range Plan.

**Background:**

Sound Transit is updating its Long-Range Plan to plan and design new transit expansions and funding at the same time currently-funded projects are under construction. The Long-Range Plan will be the foundation for "ST3," a future ballot measure to expand Sound Transit's infrastructure and service.

Please check one of the following:

**This legislation does not have any financial implications.**

**This legislation has financial implications.**

(If the legislation has direct fiscal impacts (e.g., appropriations, revenue, positions), fill out the relevant sections below. If the financial implications are indirect or longer-term, describe them in narrative in the "Other Implications" Section. Please delete the instructions provided in parentheses at the end of each title and question.)