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A RESOLUTION concerning the Sound Transit East Link Project requesting the Executive to initiate a station area planning process for the planned North Rainier Station.

WHEREAS the Sound Transit ST2 plan approved by the voters includes a light rail line extending east from downtown Seattle along I-90 to Bellevue and the Eastside; and

WHEREAS, this line includes a station in Seattle along I-90 provisionally titled the "North Rainier Station;" and

WHEREAS, the City of Seattle is committed to finding ways to ensure that development around light rail stations supports ridership and takes full advantage of the transit opportunities that light rail development will provide; and

WHEREAS, it is important to begin this planning work early in order to limit incompatible development and review options for effective implementation of appropriate planning and zoning and ensure that there is effective community engagement; and

WHEREAS, this work may be especially challenging for this station, because it is not located in an existing designated urban village or center; and

WHEREAS, a station associated with a light rail line in a freeway alignment will also be challenging to integrate into the community; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

Section 1. The City Council requests that the Executive begin developing a plan for community outreach and station area planning around the planned North Rainier Station; and

- That this plan be provided to the City Council by August of 2012;
- That the plan include specific timelines and planned staff commitments that will allow this planning to be conducted in time to influence decisions by Sound Transit about the configuration and design for the station;



- That the plan include a timeline for adopting a station area overlay district for the North Rainier area and station area zoning that will limit the development of new auto-oriented uses in the vicinity of the proposed station.

Adopted by the City Council the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its adoption this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012.

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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 \_\_\_\_\_, 2012.

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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 concerning the Sound Transit East Link Project requesting the Executive to initiate a station area planning process for the planned North Rainier Station.

**Summary of the Legislation:**

This resolution requests that the Executive begin developing a plan for community outreach and station area planning around the planned North Rainier Station; that this plan include specific timelines, and that it includes the adoption of a station area overlay district for the North Rainier area and station area zoning that will limit the development of new auto-oriented uses in the vicinity of the proposed station.

**Background:**

(Include a brief description of the purpose and context of legislation and include record of previous legislation and funding history, if applicable.)  
This legislation reflects the Council's commitment to Station Area Planning and Transit Oriented Development (SAP/TOD) along the Link Light Rail line in Seattle.

Please check one of the following:

**This legislation does not have any financial implications.**  
(Please skip to "Other Implications" section at the end of the document and answer questions a-h. Earlier sections that are left blank should be deleted. Please delete the instructions provided in parentheses at the end of each question.)

**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.)



**Other Implications:**

- a) **Does the legislation have indirect financial implications, or long-term implications?**  
No. This work is already in DPD's work plan.
- b) **What is the financial cost of not implementing the legislation?**  
Zero.
- c) **Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?**  
Although it calls on DPD to develop a plan for community outreach and station area planning around the planned North Rainier Station, this work was already in their work plan so this legislation does not increase staffing costs.
- d) **What are the possible alternatives to the legislation that could achieve the same or similar objectives?** A letter from DPD stating their intention would be similar but not as powerful.
- e) **Is a public hearing required for this legislation?**  
No.
- f) **Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation?**  
No.
- g) **Does this legislation affect a piece of property?**  
No.
- h) **Other Issues: None.**

**List attachments to the fiscal note below:**

