



***Response to King County Metro
Transit Service Reduction Proposal***

***Bellevue City Council Briefing
May 27, 2014***

Briefing Agenda

- 1. Background**
- 2. Proposals from King County & Seattle**
- 3. Implications of Transit Cuts for Bellevue**
- 4. Solicit Council Direction**

Prior to Proposition 1 Vote

- **November 7, 2013:** Metro releases preliminary service reduction proposal
- **January 14, 2014:** Bellevue responds with proposal to preserve routes 234, 235, 245, and 271
- **February 7, 2014:** Metro concludes community outreach process
- **April 22, 2014:** Proposition No. 1 vote defeated

After Proposition 1 Vote

- **April 24:** King County Executive releases service reduction proposal
- **May 12:** County Executive announces proposed Community Mobility Contracts option for cities
- **May 13:** Seattle Mayor announces November 14 ballot measure proposal
- **May 15:** Open house/public hearing at Bellevue City Hall

King County Executive's Proposal & Principles

Proposal

1. Provide Community Mobility Contracts
2. Conduct peer review and financial audit
3. Establish customer service panel

Principles

1. Secure legislative approval of statewide revenue package
2. Maintain Metro as a regional system
3. Service purchase is temporary
4. Preserve as much service as possible

Seattle Mayor's Proposed Ballot Measure

- 1. Raises \$45 million/year**
- 2. Preserves 90% of Metro's cuts in Seattle**
- 3. Creates \$3 million in matching funds**

2014–2015 METRO SERVICE CUTS

Route Deletions & Revisions

Deleted Routes

- 167** Renton to University District – Sept. 2015
- 210** Issaquah to Downtown Seattle – Sept. 2014
- 211** Eastgate to First Hill – Sept. 2014
- 215** North Bend to Issaquah, Eastgate, Downtown Seattle – Sept. 2014
- 217** Downtown Seattle to Eastgate, North Issaquah – Sept. 2015
- 237** Woodinville to Totem Lake, Downtown Seattle – Feb. 2015
- 242** Ridgecrest to Overlake – June 2015
- 243** Jackson Park to Montlake, Bellevue – Sept. 2014
- 244** Kenmore to Kingsgate, Overlake – Sept. 2015
- 250** Overlake to Downtown Seattle – Sept. 2014
- 265** Overlake to Houghton, First Hill – Sept. 2014
- 280** Downtown Seattle to Bellevue, Renton (Night Owl) – Sept. 2014

Routes with Revised Frequency, Span, and/or Coverage

- 111** Maplewood to Downtown Seattle – Sept. 2015
- 114** Renton Highlands to Downtown Seattle – Sept. 2015
- 221** Redmond to Crossroads, Eastgate – Feb. 2015
- 226** Eastgate to Bel-Red, Bellevue – Sept. 2015
- 232** Duvall to Redmond, Overlake, Bellevue – Sept. 2015
- 234** Kenmore to Kirkland, Bellevue – Feb. 2015
- 235** Totem Lake to Kirkland, Bellevue – Feb. 2015
- 240** Bellevue to Factoria, Renton – Sept. 2015
- 241** Bellevue to Facotira, Eastgate – Sept. 2015
- 249** Overlake to S. Kirkland, Bellevue, S. Bellevue – Sept. 2014/2015
- 255** Totem Lake to Kirkland, Downtown Seattle – Feb. 2015
- 269** Issaquah to Sammamish, Overlake – Sept. 2015
- 271** Issaquah to Eastgate, Bellevue, U. District – Feb. 2015
- 342** Shoreline to Bothell, Bellevue, Renton – Feb. 2015

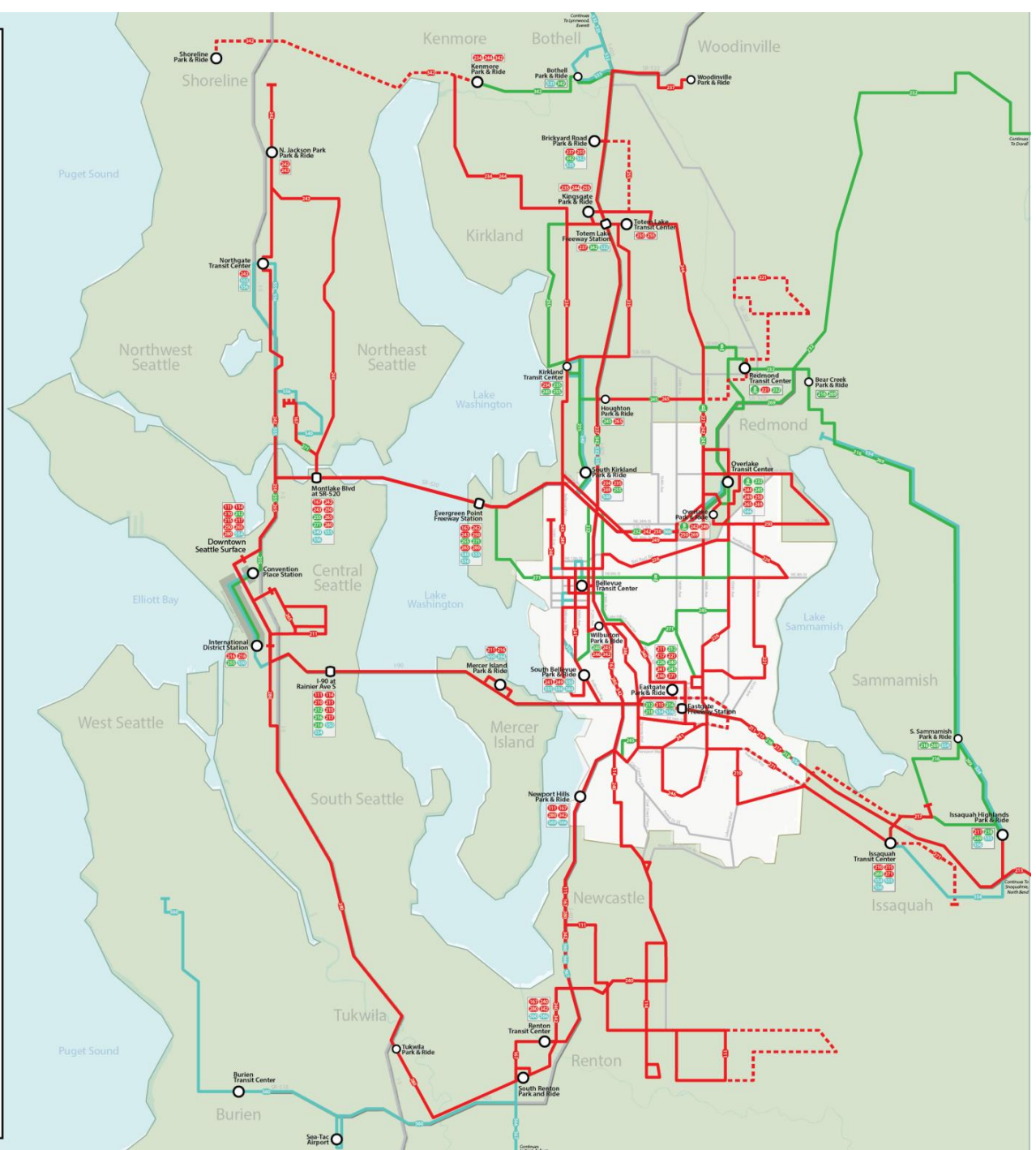
Unaffected Routes

King County Metro

- B** Redmond to Overlake, Crossroads, Bellevue
- 212** Eastgate to Downtown Seattle
- 216** Bear Creek to Sammamish, Eastgate, Downtown Seattle
- 218** Issaquah Highlands to Eastgate, Downtown Seattle
- 245** Kirkland to Overlake, Crossroads, Eastgate, Factoria
- 246** Eastgate to Somerset, Factoria, Bellevue

Sound Transit

- 532** Bellevue to Everett
- 535** Bellevue to Lynnwood
- 540** Kirkland to University District
- 550** Bellevue to Downtown Seattle
- 555** Issaquah Highlands to Bellevue, Northgate
- 556** Issaquah Highlands to Bellevue, Northgate
- 560** Bellevue to Renton, Sea-Tac Airport, Westwood Village
- 566** Auburn to Kent, Renton, Bellevue, Overlake
- 567** Kent to Bellevue, Overlake



Implications of Reduction Proposal in Bellevue

- **Plan affects 26 of the 33 Metro routes in Bellevue**
- **Approximately 35,000 daily weekday rides**



Commuters



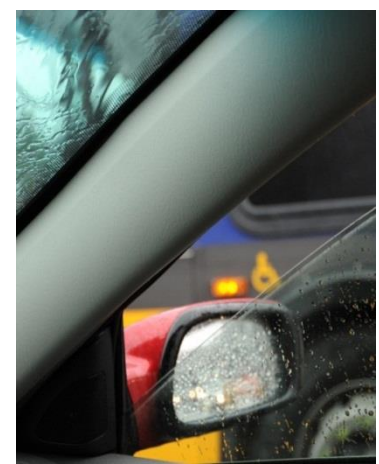
Students



People with Disabilities



Seniors



Roadway Users

Metro Service Changes for Bellevue

- **September 2014**

- 7 routes deleted (210, 211, 215, 243, 250, 265, 280)
- 2 routes revised (212, 249)

- **February 2015**

- 1 route deleted (237)
- 6 routes revised (221, 234, 235, 255, 271, 342)

- **June 2015**

- Route deleted (242)

- **September 2015**

- 3 routes deleted (167, 217, 244)
- 9 routes revised (111, 114, 212, 226, 232, 240, 241, 249, 269)

Impacts: Themes from Community Outreach



Reduced Frequency

- Longer Waiting Times
- More Difficult Connections
- Reduced Reliability
- Routes 'Too Infrequent To Be Useful'

Reduced Hours of Operation

- Reduced Mobility at Night
- Reduced Access for Swing Shift Workers
- Reduced 24/7 Urban Vitality

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Reduced Access

- Bellevue College
- Eastgate/I-90 Offices



Deleted Routes

- More Overcrowding
- More Transfers
- Longer Commutes
- More People Driving



Next Steps: Transit Master Plan

- **Next Briefing on Cuts:** June 23 or 7/7?
- **June 2, 2014:** Presentation of Transportation Commission's Draft Transit Master Plan to Council
- **June 26, 2014:** Public hearing on Draft Transit Master Plan held before the Transportation Commission
- **July 7, 2014:** Proposed Council action on the Transit Master Plan