



## SHORELINE CITY COUNCIL

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Michelle Allison, General Manager  
King County Metro Transit - King Street Center  
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Ms. Allison:

On behalf of the City of Shoreline, I am writing in support of the final service network as presented to partner staff on October 26, 2023 as the result of the **Lynnwood Link Connections project**. We would like to thank your staff for outreach efforts in our community and the many updates provided to Shoreline Council and staff throughout the process. Your team accomplished a truly monumental feat.

The City is excited to see significant service hour additions on routes that are critical for our residents, including night and weekend service, and connections to the two future light rail stations in Shoreline on 148<sup>th</sup> and 185<sup>th</sup> Streets, and even Mountlake Terrace Station. Additionally, Metro staff listened closely to concerns in our community and, as a result, the final network maintains service in our Hillwood neighborhood as well as peak hour service from Shoreline to First Hill for our many medical service providers.

Finally, we appreciate the work done to maintain some degree of service on Meridian Avenue (route 346). Many community members expressed concern about the possible loss of service, and Metro added a truncated route. The City appreciates the work it took to make this accommodation and we will monitor how well this truncated route serves our community and commit to keeping you posted.

The City continues to strongly advocate for the regional funding needed to realize the full Metro long-range vision and level of service for the future. Sound Transit light rail provides important supplemental regional connections, but strong Metro service is still the backbone of our transportation network and both east-west and north-south routes will continue to be essential in serving our region well.

Although not directly related to this current restructuring, the City will continue to work with King County Metro staff and strive for a funding package that would address all elements identified in the long-range plan, including new local service routes (such as 5<sup>th</sup> Ave NE north of 185<sup>th</sup> Street and on 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> Ave NE). Shoreline is also very interested in the success of the Flex program and envisions future opportunities to work with Metro for possible areas in our City that currently are not easily accessible to transit by either distance and/or topography.

Having a complete, robust service network with an exceptional level of service will be key to our entire region succeeding in getting more of our residents out of cars and onto transit, which will help to

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advance our shared climate objectives. The local network is a valuable tool the City of Shoreline uses to promote multimodal choices.

Again, we deeply appreciate King County Metro's hard work in providing our community with mobility options. We look forward to our future work together.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Norris', with a stylized flourish at the end.

John Norris  
Acting City Manager, City of Shoreline