



RESOLUTION NO. 2014 - 11

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LYNNWOOD,
WASHINGTON, ESTABLISHING THE CITY'S
PREFERRED LIGHT RAIL ALIGNMENT AND STATION
LOCATION AND RECOMMENDING THAT THE SOUND
TRANSIT BOARD ADOPT IT AS THE PREFERRED
ALTERNATIVE FOR THEIR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT**

WHEREAS, The voters approved funding for Sound Transit's extension of light rail service to Lynnwood known as the Lynnwood Link, and

WHEREAS, The City has been actively working with Sound Transit to identify and refine track alignments and station locations that minimize impacts while positioning the City to maximize the benefit of this major investment in transit, and

WHEREAS, Sound Transit developed three alignment alternatives for environmental analysis known as C1, C2 and C3, and

WHEREAS, after extensive community outreach and discussion the City Council recommended that C1 and C2 be dropped and efforts focus on C3; and

WHEREAS, the City developed improvements to C3 referred to as C3 Modified; and

WHEREAS, on September 23, 2013, the City Council approved Resolution No. 2013-10 recommending that the Sound Transit Board adopt C3 Modified as the Preferred Alternative, and

WHEREAS, City staff has worked extensively with Sound Transit to refine and improve C3 Modified dated March 7 2014, as the one that most closely meets the goals of our City Center Plan and is in the long term best interests of the community, and

WHEREAS, the Edmonds School District has partnered with the City and Sound Transit to develop and refine the C3 Modified alternative; and

WHEREAS, the plan offers enhanced connection to the current bus bays, parking garage and presents new opportunities for linkage to the Lynnwood City Center via a pedestrian plaza, and

WHEREAS, the City supports Transit Oriented Development opportunities both around the station area itself and on several surrounding blocks in Lynnwood's City Center; and

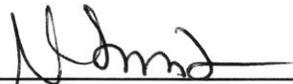
WHEREAS, these improvements do increase cost over the original C3 plan that the City found to be flawed and unacceptable, it still represents cost savings over the original C1 and C2 options offered by Sound Transit that would have resulted in substantial disruptions to the community and environment,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LYNNWOOD, WASHINGTON, DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Sound Transit Board adopt C3 Modified improved plan dated March 7, 2014, as the Preferred Alternative in the Environmental Impact Statement.
2. That Sound Transit continues to work with the City and Edmonds School District as the Lynnwood Link goes through engineering and construction.

RESOLVED this 24th day of March, 2014.

APPROVED:



Nicola Smith, Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATE:



Lorenzo Hines Jr., Finance Director

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