ORDINANCE NO. 658

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON, AMENDING THE SHORELINE COMMUTE TRIP REDUCTION PLAN, EXTENDING THE PLAN THROUGH 2015 AND ADDING NEW BICYCLE AND SIDEWALK FACILITIES AS STRATEGIES FOR ACHIEVING TRIP REDUCTION TARGETS

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Chapter 14.20 SMC, including a city commute trip reduction plan under SMC 14.10.020; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State CTR Board adopted a State Plan and Operational Policy for 2011-2015 extending existing goals and asking for updated strategies from local jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, Shoreline’s current planning efforts for the future light rail stations, policies in the City’s Transportation Master Plan and reduced commercial parking standards are strategies that supplement our existing plan; now therefore

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Amendment. The Shoreline Commute Trip Reduction Plan adopted in SMC 14.10.020, Exhibit A to Ordinance No. 516, is extended through 2015 and is further amended by the addition of the following Policies and Regulations to section IV.A. Policies and Regulations:

1. Comprehensive plan policies
   - The City adopted a major update of the Comprehensive Plan in 2012. This updated included the policies developed in the TMP for development of transportation facilities that encourage uses other than SOV.
   - Sound Transit is in the planning stages to extend light rail from Northgate to Lynnwood. This project is known as the Lynnwood Link extension. The Lynnwood Link extension will travel along I-5 and have two stops in Shoreline. In response to this planned transit investment, the City of Shoreline has begun land use planning efforts around the station areas. The City will focus on identifying land uses and densities that are appropriate for these station areas and multi-modal transportation options to access the stations.

2. Land Use regulations
   - The City has recently adopted new development standards for commercial areas which allow for reduced parking requirements, thereby encouraging alternative means of transportation other than single occupancy vehicle use.
Section 2. Amendment. The Shoreline Commute Trip Reduction Plan adopted in SMC 14.10.020 is amended by the addition of the following Service and Facilities to section IV. B. 7 Bicycle and sidewalk Facilities:

- In 2011, the City of Shoreline adopted an updated Transportation Master Plan (TMP), which includes Bicycle and Pedestrian System plans and a three-phase transit master plan. The TMP includes prioritized project lists for completion of these systems and places a high priority on the development of facilities that encourage transit and nonmotorized transportation use. The City continues to install new bicycle and pedestrian facilities annually.

- The City of Shoreline is scheduled to complete improvements to Aurora Avenue N in 2015. Once complete, Aurora Avenue N will have continuous sidewalks and business-access transit lanes along its entire three mile length in Shoreline. Completion of this project will help improve the speed and reliability of bus rapid transit service (both King County Metro Transit’s RapidRide and Community Transit’s Swift) along this corridor. A complete sidewalk system will provide safer travel routes for pedestrians utilizing RapidRide and other transit services on Aurora Ave N.

- The City will continue its aggressive grant seeking activities, pursuing project funding for projects such as bicycle and pedestrian facilities.

Section 3. Effective Date. A summary of this ordinance consisting of its title shall be published in the official newspaper of the City. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force 5 days from publication.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON APRIL 15, 2013

Keith A. McGlashan, Mayor

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