

RapidRide 1027 and NEMP Update

Kirkland Transportation Commission

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North Eastside Mobility Project (NEMP) Outreach

- Outreach conducted over three phases in 2018
- Sounding board comprised of community members
- CBOs helped us reach immigrant and low-English speakers
- More than 10,000 people informed about project
- 3,000+ members of the public Had a Say

Status of NEMP

- King County Council expected to take action this summer
- March 2020 implementation
- Transit agencies creating rider support plan

RAPIDRIDE

What is RapidRide?

RapidRide is a robust arterial Bus Rapid Transit service that:

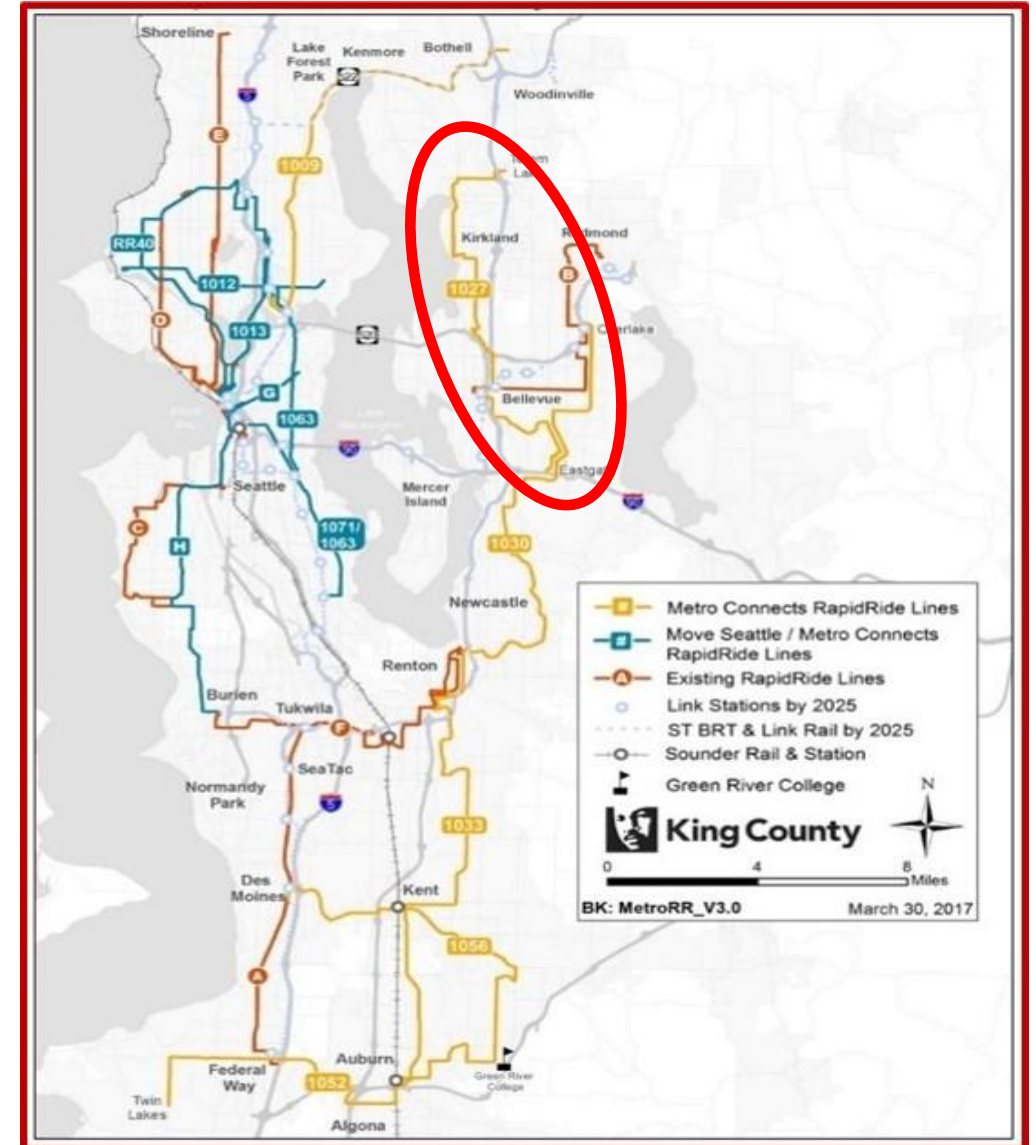
- Is the “Best of Metro”
- Has high quality service and facilities
- Employs state-of-the-art innovations
- Travels natural transportation corridors
- Has the highest level of speed and reliability investments among Metro services



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METRO CONNECTS Vision

- Identified a network of high capacity transit throughout King County
- RapidRide 1027 is part of this larger vision of connecting people and places



Future RapidRide Lines and Timelines

RapidRide Corridor	Location (RapidRide Name)	Target Opening Timeframe
G Line	Madison Valley/Seattle (Madison)	Spring 2022
H Line	Burien/Westwood Village/Seattle (Delridge)	Fall 2021
I Line	Renton/Kent/Auburn	Fall 2023
Corridor 1013	Seattle/Eastlake/University District (Roosevelt)	Spring 2024
Corridor 1071	Seattle/Mount Baker/Rainier Beach (Rainier)	Fall 2024
Corridor 1027	Totem Lake/Bellevue/Eastgate	Spring 2025

RapidRide 1027 Capital Improvements

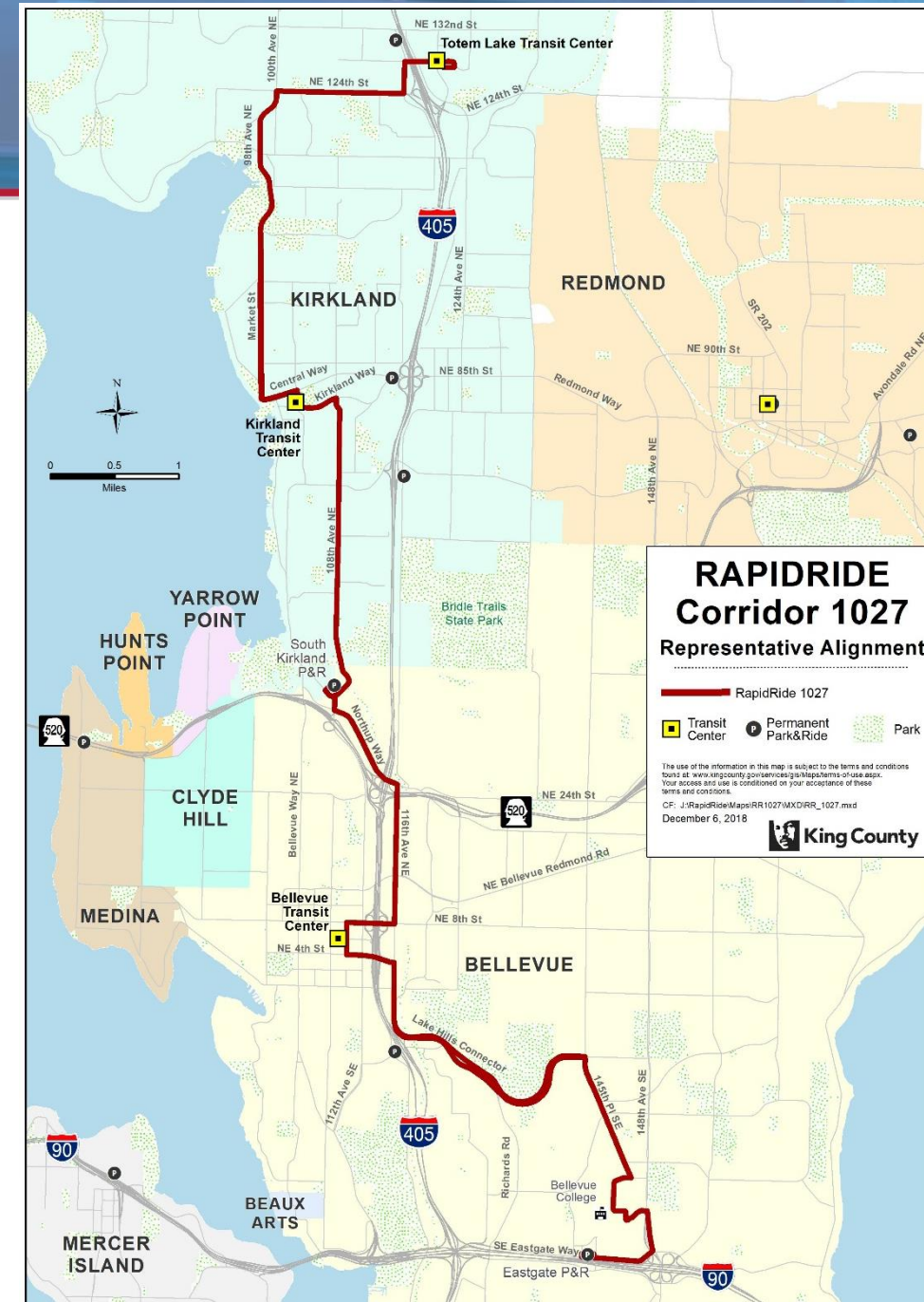
- ~\$90M expected capital investment
- Speed and reliability
- Passenger facilities (new kit of parts under development)
- Communications and technology
- Access to transit



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RapidRide 1027 Alignment

- Representative alignment:
 - Identified in METRO CONNECTS
 - Totem Lake to Eastgate
 - Portions of Routes 234, 235, 255, 271
- Based on NEMP input, Metro is now considering an alternative endpoint to Downtown Redmond instead of Totem Lake
- After the endpoint is determined, exact street routing will be considered during Phase 1 of the project



Project Schedule

- Consultant scoping underway
- Kick-off Summer 2019
- Applying for FTA Small Starts Funding in 2020
- Expected revenue service start in 2025



Planning
2019

Preliminary
Design
2019-2020



Final Design &
Construction
2021-2024

Start Service
March 2025

FTA Small Starts Application
Sept 2020

Questions?

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