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TITLE:
Sound Transit Light Rail Quarterly Briefing

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:
The 2020 work plan for the Committee of the Whole - Planning and Public Works contains a quarterly Sound Transit light rail update. Staff seeks input from the Committee on the proposed staff report outline (Attachment A), and will place a staff report on the Council's November 17 business meeting agenda

☒ **Additional Background Information/Description of Proposal Attached**

REQUESTED ACTION:

☐ **Receive Information** ☒ **Provide Direction** ☐ **Approve**

REQUEST RATIONALE:

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**
  Comprehensive Plan Policies TR-10 and TR-11; Transportation Master Plan
- **Required:**
  N/A
- **Council Request:**
  Planning and Public Works Committee 2020 work plan item
- **Other Key Facts:**
  The last quarterly update was September 15, 2020

OUTCOMES:
Light rail will be the backbone of Redmond's transit network when it opens in 2023 to Overlake and 2024 to Southeast Redmond and Downtown Redmond. It will provide a frequent and reliable mobility choice that connects Redmond to the region.

COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**
  Winter 2020-21 outreach will focus on construction activities along SR 520 that support the construction of light rail to Southeast Redmond and Downtown.
- **Outreach Methods and Results:**
  Sound Transit uses in-person, print, and electronic media to notify the Redmond community about construction activities. The City relays these notifications through its communication channels.
- **Feedback Summary:**
  Feedback from public engagement and ballot measures consistently shows strong support for the extension of light rail to Redmond.

BUDGET IMPACT:

Total Cost:
$4,008,760

Approved in current biennial budget: ☒ **Yes** ☐ **No** ☐ **N/A**

Budget Offer Number:
000031 Light Rail Integration

Budget Priority:
Infrastructure

Other budget impacts or additional costs: ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No** ☒ **N/A**
If yes, explain:
N/A

Funding source(s):
Interlocal agreements with Sound Transit

Budget/Funding Constraints:
Funds are only available for purposes described in agreements with Sound Transit

☐ **Additional budget details attached**

COUNCIL REVIEW:

Previous Contact(s)

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
3/10/2020	Study Session	Receive Information
6/16/2020	Business Meeting	Receive Information
9/15/2020	Business Meeting	Receive Information

Proposed Upcoming Contact(s)

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
11/17/2020	Business Meeting	Receive Information

Time Constraints:
In order to be timely, the fourth quarter update should be provided by the end of 2020.

ANTICIPATED RESULT IF NOT APPROVED:
The result of not including this staff report on the November 17 agenda will be to delay or forego an opportunity to update the City Council on recent and upcoming light rail project activities.

ATTACHMENTS:
Attachment A: Proposed Staff Report Outline