

6a. Staff Report - Sound Transit Lynnwood Link Extension Project Update

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PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE: Sound Transit Lynnwood Link Extension Project Update
DEPARTMENT: City Manager's Office
PRESENTED BY: Juniper Nammi, AICP, Light Rail Project Manager

Public Hearing _____ Study Session _____ Recommendation Only
 Discussion _____ Update X Other _____

INTRODUCTION

Sound Transit began construction of the Lynnwood Link Light Rail Extension Project (LLE Project) connecting Northgate Station to Lynnwood Center in spring of 2019, shortly after the last update to Planning Commission on March 21, 2019 ([03212019 PC Meeting Agenda](#) and [03212019 PC Meeting Minutes](#)). City staff will provide an update on permitting and construction of the LLE Project since the last update to Planning Commission and a preview of what to expect going forward.

Since start of construction in 2019, Sound Transit and their contractors completed well over half of the LLE Project construction and then the labor strike at the King County concrete batch plants significantly paused construction from mid-December through mid-April. Work is getting back on track and Sound Transit is evaluating what the concrete strike impact to their schedule will be. Additional challenges related to utility design and service availability have contributed to extensive design and redesign of electrical service to the Shoreline South/148th Street Station and nearby Traction Power Substation at NE 151st St and 3rd Ave NE. This process also led City staff to identify Utility code challenges and restrictions that are being addressed with City Council.

Planning Commission will get a chance to see some photos and videos of current LLE Project construction and ask questions of City staff about the project.

RECOMMENDATION

Tonight's presentation is for information sharing and discussion only. No action is required.

Approved By:

Project Manager _____

Planning Director _____