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Sound Transit negotiates proposed parking agreement

103 parking spaces to be added at Edmonds Sounder Station

(Edmonds, WA) The City of Edmonds and Sound Transit are pleased to announce that a proposed agreement has been negotiated to increase parking at the Edmonds Sounder Commuter Rail Station (Edmonds Station). The proposal will go before the Sound Transit Board on November 15, 2012.

The proposed agreement responds to a shortage of parking at Edmonds Station by establishing a five-year lease agreement with Salish Crossing, LLC, to construct a 103-space surface lot at 190 Sunset Avenue South. Salish Crossing will own and maintain the facility.

“Commuters will be happy to learn that Sound Transit has worked to find a solution for expanding access to Sounder commuter rail. Sounder is an outstanding commuting option, and additional parking will help more people take advantage of the service,” said Edmonds Mayor Dave Earling, who serves on the Sound Transit Board and will encourage other members of the Board to support the proposal. “This action demonstrates to the community that we have been working hard to expand ridership for this valuable service.”

The additional parking will supplement 156 spaces currently provided at Edmonds Station. The target date for opening the lot is May 1, 2013. In order to address near-term parking demand, Sound Transit is working with Salish Crossing to provide access to some of the 103 stalls earlier than May 1. Mayor Earling expressed his appreciation to Salish Crossing, LLC for working with the City and Sound Transit to find a solution to parking shortages at Edmonds Station and helping Sounder North ridership grow.