

RESOLUTION NO. 384

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WOODINVILLE, WASHINGTON SUPPORTING AND ENCOURAGING DUAL RAILS AND TRAILS USE OF THE EASTSIDE RAIL CORRIDOR AND SPUR.

WHEREAS, the Port of Seattle has purchased the 42-mile Eastside Rail Corridor, previously owned by the Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Railway; and

WHEREAS, the highest and best public use of the corridor is dual "rails and trails", which could include commuter rail, excursion rail, and freight rail; as well as recreational trails for pedestrians and bicyclists; and

WHEREAS, dual use of this rail corridor, including the main line from Snohomish in the north, through Woodinville, to Renton in the south; as well as the spur between Woodinville and Redmond; is in the best long term interests of the region to ensure the quality of life for generations of citizens; and

WHEREAS, a number of independent studies have shown the such dual use of the corridor is financially and practically feasible in the very near term; and

WHEREAS, communities along the Corridor should support dual use of the main line and the spur as a practical and cost-effective way to address our regional transportation and recreational needs.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODINVILLE, WASHINGTON, DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Support of Dual Rails and Trails Use of the Eastside Rail Corridor. The Woodinville City Council supports dual rails and trails use of the entire Eastside Rail Corridor, including the main line between Snohomish and Renton; and the spur between Woodinville and Redmond.

Section 2. Support of Dual Rails and Trails Use by All Communities. The Woodinville City Council encourages all agencies and communities along the Eastside Rail Corridor, including the mainline and the spur, to actively support dual rails and trails use of the corridor.

RESOLVED this 6th day of April 2010.



Charles E. Price, MAYOR

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:



Jennifer L. Kuhn
City Clerk/CMC