



BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL CITY OF MERCER ISLAND

AB 6973
July 21, 2026
Consent Agenda

AGENDA BILL INFORMATION

TITLE:	AB 6973: Sound Transit Traffic Signal Bill of Sale	☐ Discussion Only
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	Authorize the City Manager to execute the Bill of Sale for the Traffic Signal at 80 th Avenue SE and SE 27 th Street.	☒ Action Needed: ☒ Motion ☐ Ordinance ☐ Resolution

DEPARTMENT:	Public Works
STAFF:	Jason Kintner, Chief of Operations Christopher Marks, Interim Assistant City Engineer
COUNCIL LIAISON:	n/a
EXHIBITS:	1. Bill of Sale for the Traffic Signal at 80 th Avenue SE and SE 27 th Street 2. Vicinity Map
CITY COUNCIL PRIORITY:	3. Make once-in-a-generation investments to update and modernize aging infrastructure, capital facilities, and parks.

AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURE	\$ n/a
AMOUNT BUDGETED	\$ n/a
APPROPRIATION REQUIRED	\$ n/a

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this agenda item is to accept the traffic signal and associated improvements constructed at 80th Avenue SE and SE 27th Street by the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority (Sound Transit) as part of the East Link Mitigation Project. Acceptance is completed through an instrument called a "Bill of Sale" (Exhibit 1), a legal document used to transfer ownership of the improvements to the City.

- Sound Transit constructed a traffic signal at the intersection of 80th Avenue SE and SE 27th Street to mitigate traffic impacts associated with the East Link light rail extension on Mercer Island (Exhibit 2).
- Construction began in May 2024 and is now complete and open for public use.
- Acceptance is necessary for the City to own and operate the traffic signal as part of the City street system.
- Sound Transit has provided a Bill of Sale (Exhibit 1) to transfer the traffic signal and associated improvements to the City.

BACKGROUND

Sound Transit's East Link extension brings light rail from Seattle to the eastside, crossing Mercer Island on its way to south Bellevue with a final destination in Redmond. Improvements on Mercer Island include a light rail station located across the street from the North Mercer Park-and-Ride and additional improvements that

focus on bus/rail integration and traffic flow. The project elements include a roundabout at the intersection of North Mercer Way and 77th Avenue SE (roundabout bill of sale accepted by City Council November 2025, see [AB 6813](#)), a traffic signal at 76th Avenue SE and North Mercer Way, and a traffic signal at 80th Avenue SE and SE 27th Street. The traffic signal at 76th Ave SE and North Mercer Way will be owned and operated by the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) (as is the case with many traffic signals within WSDOT ROW).

The 80th Avenue SE and SE 27th Street project upgraded the intersection from a stop-controlled intersection to a fully signalized intersection and reconstructed curb ramps at all four corners to meet ADA requirements. After inspection by City Staff improvements were opened for public use, and on May 7, 2026, nearly two years after project start, final completion was recorded. The work is protected by a standard one-year warranty period, which will expire on May 7, 2027. In addition to the general warranty, the contractor has provided a five-year limited warranty for the LED signal modules and associated lighting equipment. Acceptance of the Bill of Sale (Exhibit 1) for the 80th Avenue SE and SE 27th Street traffic signal and related improvements is required to transfer the associated improvements to the City.

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

Sound Transit has provided a Bill of Sale (Exhibit 1) to transfer the new traffic signal and related improvements at 80th Avenue SE and SE 27th Street to the City. The Bill of Sale includes a description of the improvements. A bill of sale is an instrument used to transfer ownership of improvements at no cost to the City and allows the City to operate the improvements as part of its street system. The City Engineer and City Attorney have reviewed the Bill of Sale and find it acceptable.

NEXT STEPS

Following authorization by the City Council, staff will update the City's GIS maps to reflect the changes and assume responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the improvements.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Authorize the City Manager to execute the Bill of Sale for the traffic signal at 80th Avenue SE and SE 27th Street substantially in the form included as Exhibit 1.