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TO: Mayor Robinson and City Councilmembers

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## **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM**

**Update on Eastrail Projects and Timing:** Work is progressing on the Eastrail—the former Eastside Rail Corridor. This 42-mile former rail corridor that will connect the cities of Bellevue, Renton, Kirkland, Redmond and Woodinville via a multi-modal transportation and non-motorized trail with recreational opportunities. Staff from the King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks will provide an update on activities, schedules and project timing of several projects along the Eastrail in Bellevue. Formal Council action is not required at this time. Tonight's briefing is an opportunity to learn more about key Eastrail projects, their timing and potential opportunities, and to provide direction to staff regarding potential funding and fiber investments.

## **LEGISLATIVE STATUS REPORTS**

**State Legislative Session Update:** Staff is providing a written update tonight on activity at the State Legislature in Olympia. A major cutoff for bills to advance in the 2020 session is occurring coincident with the writing of this packet material. Staff will provide a written summary of the status of bills for Council once we know the outcome of legislative activity following the February 19 cutoff.

**Federal Legislative Update:** Staff has provided a written update on recent activities at the federal level covering Congress and the Administration.

## **STAFF REPORTS / INFORMATION ITEMS**

**Monthly Council Summary Background Briefings:** Included are updated summary background briefings on the King County Regional Committees (RPC and RTC), the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC), the King County Growth Management Planning Council (GMPC) and the Affordable Housing Committee—a subcommittee of the GMPC working on implementing the recommendations of the Regional Affordable Housing Task Force.