## Downtown Bellevue hotel next to future light rail station sells for \$43M

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A Bellevue real estate company is the latest investor to stake a claim in a property near a future light rail station.

PMF Investments on Tuesday paid \$42.7 million for the Sheraton Bellevue Hotel, a large, highly visible property at 100 112th Ave. N.E., according to public records. The 179-room Sheraton sits on a nearly five-acre site that fronts Interstate 405.

It was unclear whether the proximity to the East Main Station site, which is kitty-corner from the six-story hotel, prompted PMF to



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The Sheraton Bellevue, 100 112th Ave. N.E., was sold Tuesday for \$42.7 million. PMF Investments of Bellevue is the new owner of the property, which is kitty-corner from the future East Main light rail station.

buy the property. Company President Brian Franklin could not be reached.

Seattle-based Touchstone, one of the region's most active real estate developers, recently filed early plans with the city for a two-tower hotel and office project near where the Bellevue Downtown Station on Northeast Sixth Street is planned. Details of the Touchstone project are here. Touchstone is also in play to develop the city of Seattle's long-delayed Civic Square project.

Sound Transit plans to start building the \$3.7 billion East Link extension, which will connect Seattle to the Overlake area of Redmond, this year. East Link is scheduled to open in 2023.

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Last fall, PMF bought the Kirkland Homeport Marina for \$28 million. More on that is here.

Public records show that an affiliate of **Driftwood Hospitality Management** of North Palm Beach, Florida, sold the Sheraton to PMF, and that Driftwood bought the property in 2007 for \$29 million.

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