



Motion No. M2020-64

Citizen Oversight Panel Appointments

Meeting:	Date:	Type of action:	Staff contact:
Executive Committee Board	11/05/2020 11/19/2020	Recommend to Board Final action	Kathy Albert, Strategic Business Officer Katie Flores, Board Administrator

Proposed action

Reappointing Mr. Scott Lampe and Mr. Paul Thompson to the Citizen Oversight Panel to serve a second term of four years beginning December 1, 2020, and expiring November 30, 2024.

Key features summary

- In 2016 the Board appointed Mr. Lampe and Mr. Thompson to serve on the Citizen Oversight Panel for a term of four years until November 30, 2020.
- Both panel members are near completing their first four-year term and are eligible and willing to serve a second four-year term. This action would extend their terms through November 30, 2024.
- Mr. Lampe and Mr. Thompson represent East King County. These appointments will maintain representation for East King County.
- Mr. Lampe currently serves as Chair of the Citizen Oversight Panel.

Background

The Sound Transit Citizen Oversight Panel (COP) is a 15-member advisory committee of citizen volunteers appointed by the Sound Transit Board to monitor and report on Sound Transit performance in delivering on the commitments it made in Sound Move, ST2, and ST3.

The COP is charged with an annual review of Sound Transit's performance and financial plan, and provides reports and recommendations to the Board. The COP monitors Sound Transit's performance in the following areas:

- Adherence to its public commitments.
- Open and timely involvement of citizens.
- The process of evaluating project alternatives.
- Capital and operating budgets and finance plans.
- Equity in subarea budgets and reporting.
- Adherence to schedules and budgets.
- Review of annual performance audits.

When a vacancy arises on the panel, every attempt is made to fill it with an individual whose skills, experience, and demographic characteristics maintain the panel's geographic balance and diversity. The Citizen Oversight Panel currently has four vacant positions, two in Snohomish County, one in North King County and one in Pierce County. Recruitment is underway to fill the four vacancies and one upcoming vacancy in North King County.

Candidate qualifications include:

- Being a registered voter within the Sound Transit District.
- Residing and/or working in King County, Pierce County, or Snohomish County within the Sound Transit district boundary.
- Having experience/skills in one or more areas of expertise related to the panel's responsibilities- business and finance management, engineering, large projects construction management, public facilities and service, government processes, and public policy development or review.
- Being able to attend meetings twice each month during normal business hours in person or via teleconference.

Mr. Lampe has a background in civil/environmental engineering and holds an MBA in finance. He has experience with policy implementation through work on the Bellevue Transportation Commission. His experience in finance includes review of operating budgets, development of rating agency presentations, performing economic analyses of long-term capital projects, and development of long-term strategic plans. Mr. Lampe has had past involvement as a member of the public in the shaping of the East Link project.

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Fiscal information

Not applicable to this action.

Disadvantaged and small business participation

Not applicable to this action.

Public involvement

Not applicable to this action.

Time constraints

There is no consequence if this action is delayed, the current members are able to continue to serve until they're either reappointed or another appointment is made by the Board.

Environmental review – KH 10/28/20

Legal review – AJP 10/28/2020

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APPROVED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on November 19, 2020.



Kent Keel
Board Chair

Attest:



Kathryn Flores
Board Administrator