

RESOLUTION NO. R2017-35

A RESOLUTION of the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority recognizing Mr. Ric Ilgenfritz for his service to Sound Transit on the occasion of his departure from the agency after 16 years.

WHEREAS, Ric Ilgenfritz has had a distinguished career at Sound Transit, including serving as Executive Director of Planning, Environment and Project Development, and as Director of Communications, public affairs and government relations; and

WHEREAS, Ric Ilgenfritz joined Sound Transit as an original member of Joni Earl's first executive team, taking charge of communications, public affairs, and government relations during a time when the agency faced a crisis in public confidence; and

WHEREAS, Ric Ilgenfritz organized the agency's communications resources to respond effectively, and shepherded a strategy to rebuild public support and restore federal funding for the agency's first light rail project; and

WHEREAS, Ric Ilgenfritz led the staff effort to help develop the ST2 Plan, including the difficult task of melding ST2 with a regional road funding measure in 2007, and when that failed, helping the agency pivot successfully to a transit-only measure in 2008 that won overwhelming support; and

WHEREAS, Ric Ilgenfritz took over capital project development and environment planning and compliance to lead implementation of the ST2 program, and worked to support the Board's efforts to navigate a severe funding shortfall that enabled the agency to deliver 90 percent of the ST2 capital program with 75 percent of the expected revenues; and


WHEREAS, Ric Ilgenfritz brought personal leadership to the East Link project development effort, as agency staff and the Board worked through a series of challenging issues to secure an agreement committing the agency, Bellevue and the other eastside cities to moving the project forward together; and

WHEREAS, Ric Ilgenfritz supported the Board in modernizing the Board's transit oriented development, parking and system access policies, and worked to develop the agency's industry-standard sustainability program; and

WHEREAS, Ric Ilgenfritz headed up staff efforts for the ST3 planning process while keeping focused on the ST2 program delivery which lead to another successful response from voters to the Board's vision of expanding high capacity transit throughout this region.

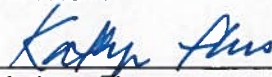
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority that the Board does hereby extend its best wishes and sincere thanks to Ric Ilgenfritz for his long career and many accomplishments at Sound Transit in support of the regional transit system.

ADOPTED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on September 28, 2017.



Dave Somers
Board Chair

ATTEST:



Kathryn Flores
Board Administrator