

**Sound Transit  
Executive Committee Summary Minutes**

**July 16, 1999**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1:52 p.m. by Chair Paul Miller.

**Attendance**

(P) Paul Miller, Chair	(A) Greg Nickels
(P) Bob Drewel, Vice Chair	(A) Paul Schell
(P) Dave Earling	(A) Ron Sims
(A) Mary Gates	(A) Cynthia Sullivan
(A) Jane Hague	(P) Doug Sutherland
(A) Richard McIver	

There was no quorum present at Call to Order.

**Report of the Chair**

None.

**Executive Director Report**

Mr. White referred Committee members to a briefing paper on Initiative 695 (copy on file). The briefing paper states that staff believes that I-695 would not affect ST's taxing authority or the amount of motor vehicle excise tax (MVET) revenue generated for ST. The paper does indicate, though, that the manner in which ST collects MVET could be affected.

**Public Comment**

None.

**Minutes of June 4, 1999 Executive Committee meeting**

Because there was no quorum, the minutes were held over to the next meeting.

**Discussion/Possible Action Items**

Resolution No. R99-24 - Authorizing the Executive Director to enter into a 99-year lease and development agreement with the City of Sumner as necessary for the construction and operation of the Sumner Commuter Rail Station for the Tacoma-to-Seattle Commuter Rail Project

Because there was not a quorum present, Committee members agreed to move Resolution No. R99-24 on to the full Board without a recommendation from the Committee. Members that were present wanted to make it clear that they concurred with the action.

Motion No. M99-48 - Authorizing the Executive Director to acquire certain real property interests from the Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company (BNSF), by voluntary agreement, and to pay eligible

relocation and reestablishment benefits to affected parties as necessary for the construction of the King Street, Tukwila, Kent, Auburn, Sumner, and Puyallup Commuter Rail Stations

Again, because there was not a quorum present, Committee members agreed to Motion No. M99-48 on to the full Board without a recommendation from the Committee. Members that were present wanted to make it clear that they concurred with the action.

**Discussion Items**

Applicability of Transportation Concurrency Requirements to Sound Transit Projects

Mr. Perry Weinberg, Environmental Compliance Manager, presented the discussion paper to the Committee (copy on file). He indicated that the Growth Management Act (GMA) contains a "concurrency" provision that requires local jurisdictions "to adopt and enforce ordinances which prohibit development approval if the development causes the level of service (LOS) on a locally owned transportation facility to decline below the standards adopted in the transportation element of the comprehensive plan, unless transportation improvements or strategies to accommodate the impacts of development are made concurrent with the development." The issue, Mr. Weinberg indicated, is whether ST should be subject to these concurrency requirements.

Mr. Earling pointed out that ST projects deliver benefits, and in many ways will lessen demands on the current infrastructure. Mitigation issues will be identified as ST works with each county and community and as part of the process outlined by the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA). He stated that he'd be hard pressed to argue for ST being subject to concurrency requirements.

Mr. Sutherland agreed that ST should not be subject to concurrency requirements.

Mr. Miller agreed that impacts will be addressed and mitigated as part of the SEPA process. If ST were subject to the concurrency requirements, the agency would be paying twice. He stated that ST needs to take a firm position that the concurrency requirements are not applicable to ST.

Regional Express 1999 Capital Projects Risk Analysis

Ms. Agnes Govern referred to the analysis and offered to answer any questions (copy on file).

**Next Meeting**

Friday, August 6, 1999 from 1:30 - 3:00 p.m., at the Sound Transit 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room.

**Adjourn**

As there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Recorded by Amy Ebersole  
Board Coordinator  
ATTEST:

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Paul E. Miller  
Chair

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Marcia Walker  
Board Administrator