Sound Transit Board Meeting Summary Minutes July 22, 1999

Call to Order

Board Chair Paul Miller called the meeting to order at 2:43 p.m. in sixth floor board room of the Puget Sound Regional Council, 1011 Western Avenue, Seattle, Washington.

Roll Call

Chair

(P) Paul Miller, City of Tacoma Councilmember

Vice Chairs

- (P) Dave Earling, City of Edmonds Councilmember
- (P) Greg Nickels, King County Councilmember

Board Members

- (P) Ann Davis, City of Lakewood Councilmember
- (A) Bob Drewel, Snohomish County Executive
- (P) David Enslow, City of Sumner Councilmember
- (P) Mary Gates, City of Federal Way Councilmember
- (A) Jane Hague, King County Councilmember
- (A) Ed Hansen, City of Everett Mayor
- (P) Richard McIver, City of Seattle Councilmember
- (P) Rob McKenna, King County Councilmember

- (A) Sid Morrison, WSDOT Secretary
- (A) Dave Russell, City of Kirkland Councilmember
- (P) Paul Schell, City of Seattle Mayor
- (A) Ron Sims, King County Executive
- (P) Cynthia Sullivan, King County Councilmember
- (A) Doug Sutherland, Pierce County Executive
- (A) Jim White, City of Kent Mayor

Marcia Walker, Board Administrator, indicated a quorum of the Board was present at roll call.

Mr. Miller stated that the Board would move to action items and delay public comment until later in the meeting.

Report of the Chair

Mr. Miller explained that the Board's rules of procedure call for the Executive Committee to approve Board member travel beyond a radius of 300 miles, or which requires overnight lodging. Since the Executive Committee did not have a quorum at its last meeting, he asked for a motion to approve travel for Board member Dave Earling to attend the Public Transportation and Rail Conference in Spokane from August 3 to August 5, 1999.

It was moved by Mr. Nickels, seconded by Ms. Gates, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Mr. Earling be authorized to attend the Public Transportation and Rail Conference in Spokane from August 3 to August 5, 1999.

Action Items

Public and Government Affairs Committee Recommendations

Motion No. M99-46 - Establishing policy regarding advertising on Sound Transit vehicles and at transit facilities and stations, and superseding Motion No. M98-79

Mr. Miller advised the Board that action on Motion No. M99-46 had been deferred.

Executive Committee Recommendations

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

Mr. Miller advised the Board that action on Motion No. M99-48 had been deferred.

Finance Committee Recommendations

Resolution No. R99-17 - Identifying criteria for the programming of collected local tax revenues that are in excess of the revenues projected by the original Sound Move financial plan

It was moved by Mr. Nickels and seconded by Ms. Gates that Resolution No. R99-17 be approved as presented.

Mr. Nickels stated that Sound Transit is forecasting tax revenues higher than originally predicted from some of its subareas for the 1997-2006 period. Resolution No. R99-17 provides criteria for the use of those revenues.

The motion to approve Resolution No. R99-17 was carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present.

Executive Committee Recommendations

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

It was moved by Mr. Nickels and seconded by Mr. McKenna that Resolution No. R99-24 be approved as presented.

Mr. Miller advised the Board that Resolution No. R99-24 would authorize the Executive Director to enter into a 99year lease and an agreement with the City of Sumner for the construction and operation of the Sumner Commuter Rail station. He stated that there was not a quorum of members present at the last Executive Committee meeting, however, it was the consensus of those present that this action be presented to the Board with recommended passage.

The motion to approve Resolution No. R99-24 was carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present.

Public Comment

None.

Executive Director Report

Mr. White reported on the Trans-Lake Study Committee and its recommendation to the Department of Transportation (DOT) regarding alternatives for that corridor. He stated that staff has had preliminary conversations with the DOT on options for Sound Transit involvement and that this will be a good opportunity to work together.

Mr. White introduced Debora Ashland, Link Light Rail Architect, who showed slides of work done by the some of the architects and artists working with Sound Transit.

Committee Reports

Transit-Oriented Development Subcommittee

Ms. Sullivan mentioned that the Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Subcommittee was in the process of reviewing the second draft of the criteria for evaluating projects. She stated that the criteria would be coming before the Board for approval.

Finance Committee

Mr. Nickels reported that the Finance Committee reviewed a contract with Magnolia Contractors, Inc., for construction of the Auburn Sounder commuter rail station. In addition, the Committee received updates on the status of the 1999 budget and on expenditures versus budget figures for the commuter rail division. Regional Express gave the Committee a presentation on risk assessments for its program.

Mr. Nickels mentioned that the Committee has reviewed Resolutions No. R99-22 and R99-23, agreements between Sound Transit and BNSF for operation and capital improvements of tracks and facilities for commuter rail. He noted that the Resolutions would be coming to the Board after a second review by the Finance Committee.

Public and Government Affairs Committee

Mr. Earling stated that the Public and Government Affairs Committee was given a summation of the state legislative session and had an opportunity to examine some of the issues staff will be reviewing for next year. On the federal front, Mr. Earling said that the 2000 appropriations probably would not occur until after the August recess.

Mr. Earling complimented staff on the commuter rail workshops and hearings that have taken place.

Executive Committee

Mr. Miller commented that the Executive Committee had met the week before and provided feedback on the applicability of the concurrency requirements on Sound Transit projects. He stated that there was some feeling that Sound Transit should not be subject to the concurrency requirements because of the work being done in the environmental impact statement (EIS) process.

Other Business

None.

Next Meeting

Thursday, August 12, 1999 Everett Performing Arts Center 2710 Wetmore Avenue Everett, Washington

<u>Adjourn</u>

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Greg Nickels Board Vice Chair

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