Sound Transit Executive Committee Summary Minutes

September 17, 1999

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:36 p.m. by Chair Paul Miller. The meeting was held in the Board room of Union Station, 401 S. Jackson St., Seattle, WA 98104.

<u>Attendance</u>

- (P) Paul Miller, Chair
- (P) Bob Drewel, Vice Chair
- (P) Dave Earling
- (P) Mary Gates
- (A) Jane Hague
- (A) Richard McIver

Report of the Chair

- (P) Greg Nickels(P) Paul Schell
- (P) Ron Sims
- (A) Cynthia Sullivan
- (A) Doug Sutherland

Mr. Miller reported that the Committee would work from the revised agenda that had been sent to Committee members earlier in the week. Specifically, Motion No. M99-60, adopting transit-oriented development evaluation criteria had been added to the revised agenda, while the discussion item on the economic development program had been deferred to a future meeting.

Mr. Miller asked for a motion to approve his travel to attend the APTA Annual Meeting/Expo in Orlando from October 10th through the 14th.

It was moved by Mr. Drewel, seconded by Ms. Gates and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that travel for Mr. Miller to attend the APTA Annual Meeting/Expo in Orlando from October 10th through the 14th be approved.

Executive Director Report

Mr. White reported that, under the authority granted him in the resolution adopted by the Board regarding fare policy, he would be making amendments to existing pass agreements regarding the Puget Pass and Ship to Shore passes. He reminded the Committee that Regional Express service would be "launched" that weekend, with public events occurring on Sunday, and Monday representing the first full day of Regional Express service to all three counties in the Sound Transit District.

Finally, Mr. White reported that the Growth Management Hearings Board issued a report on the City of Tukwila's appeal. He indicated that he would follow-up with Board members by providing more information via e-mail later in the day.

Public Comment

Mr. Philip Grega requested information on which libraries in Seattle were displaying information on the proposed light rail and tunnel routes. He also requested information on feedback from businesses regarding advertising on buses.

Minutes of June 18, 1999 Executive Committee meeting

It was moved by Mr. Nickels, seconded by Mr. Earling and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that the minutes of the June 18, 1999 Executive Committee meeting be approved as presented.

<u>Resolution No. R99-3 - Fulfilling the requirement of RCW 81.112.040(1) to reconstitute the governing</u> board or a regional transit authority with regard to the number of representatives from each of the three counties (King, Pierce, Snohomish)

Mr. Schell pointed out that the population numbers show the North King subarea losing 15,000 people over the last the year. He asked for more information on that, stating that he recalled that Seattle was growing in population.

Ms. Mandie Barnes, legal counsel, indicated that the numbers are the most recent ones from the Office of Financial Management.

Mr. Miller asked staff to check and verify those population numbers before the resolution reaches the Board for action.

It was moved by Mr. Nickels, seconded by Mr. Schell and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that Resolution No. R99-3 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation.

Motion No. M99-60 - Adopting Transit-Oriented Development evaluation criteria to be used in the process of identifying and/or evaluating proposed development opportunities around Sound Transit facilities

Ms. Barbara Gilliland, Systems Integration Program Manager, presented the proposed motion to the Committee. She introduced Ms. Alyce Conti, TOD Project Manager, to the Committee.

It was moved by Ms. Gates, seconded by Ms. Sims and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that Motion No. M99-60 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation.

Discussion Items

Proposed Process for Regional Express DuPont Park-and-Ride

Ms. Agnes Govern, Director of Regional Express, presented background information to the Committee (copy on file). She indicated that staff was not seeking formal action at this time, but seeking an endorsement to proceed with requests for Letters of Interest and Proposals.

Mr. Miller stated that the DuPont Park-and-Ride will be a significant addition to the regional system and will get a lot of use.

Research and Technology Funding Process

Ms. Gilliland and Mr. Nick Roach, Systems Integration Project Manager, presented a discussion paper to the Committee (copy on file).

In response to questions from Mr. Nickels and Mr. Schell about water taxis and fast bus, Ms. Gilliland stated that the Research and Technology Fund was not intended as an operating fund in Sound Move.

Mr. Drewel agreed, that the intent was never to join the research fund with an operating fund.

Mr. Sims asked if the intent was to fund research of intriguing ideas and then do pilot programs.

Ms. Gilliland indicated that was her recollection.

Ms. Gates pointed out that this research fund could allow the Board to review the available technology as Sound Transit moves into Phase II.

Mr. Nickels indicated that he was still interested in water-borne transit, and stated his interest in performing a demonstration project. He asked where he could find the funds to do that.

Ms. Gilliland indicated that she would lean towards the alternative technology fund.

Mr. Miller stated that over the next couple of years, he'd like to see demonstrations, not just planning.

Mr. Roach indicated that the technology plan would be completed by the end of 2000; and that a call for projects would occur in 2001.

Other Business

None.

As there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:30.

Recorded by Amy Ebersole Board Coordinator

Minutes approved by the Executive Committee on the 7th day of January, 2000.

Earling

Chair

ATTEST:

Walker

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