

**Sound Transit  
Board Meeting Summary Minutes  
September 23, 1999**

**Call to Order**

Board Chair Paul Miller called the meeting to order at 2:38 p.m. in the fifth 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 (Did he stay? I saw him once!)

Board Members

(A) Ann Davis, City of Lakewood Councilmember

(P) 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

(P) 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

(P) Doug Sutherland, Pierce County Executive

(A) Jim White, City of Kent Mayor

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

The following Board member arrived after roll call:

Cynthia Sullivan, King County Councilmember

**Public Comment**

The following individuals presented comments to the Board:

Mr. George Curtis

Ms. Diane Davies, Coordinator of the RVTAC

Mr. David Petrie  
Mr. Warren Yi, Beacon Hill resident and Metro bus driver  
Mr. Philip Grega  
Mr. Michael Richmond, Beacon Hill resident, President of the North Beacon Hill Council, Beacon Hill Light Rail Support Group, and 11th District Democratic Precinct Committee member:  
Mr. Paul W. Locke  
Mr. Martin Durkan, Jr., representative of the Tukwila Transit Partnership

### **Report of the Chair**

Mr. Miller reported that the Board would be working from a revised agenda, and the items would be rearranged so that Motion No. M99-60 would be the first action item.

### **Executive Director Report**

Executive Director Bob White provided an update on the Project Labor Agreement (PLA), adding that a more thorough briefing would occur in executive session at the end of the meeting. Negotiations on the PLA began on July 27. Representatives of the Fast Jobs Coalition, Association of General Contractors (AGC) and labor organizations have participated in the negotiations. During the week of August 2, the parties agreed to sign a mission statement, a process and background rules for negotiating the agreement, marking the first time to staff's knowledge of involving such a diverse group in specific negotiations for a PLA. Ten full-day sessions have been held to date. Mr. White concluded by stating that staff believes the process is working and that it will result in an agreement that all parties can support.

### **Action Items**

#### **Executive Committee Recommendations**

**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**

**It was moved by Ms. Sullivan and seconded by Mr. Drewel that Motion No. M99-60 be approved as presented.**

Ms. Sullivan presented primary criteria to be used to assess potential development opportunities.

- ◆ The potential development must be supported by Growth Management Act (GMA) goals as articulated in local comprehensive plans.
- ◆ The potential development must be supported with a market and financial feasibility study.
- ◆ The potential development must increase the effectiveness of the transit system and increase transit ridership.
- ◆ The potential development must represent the highest and best transit use vs. highest and best market use.
- ◆ The potential development must be consistent with ST's project development, timing and budget.
- ◆ The potential development must demonstrate a physical and functional link with the transit system.

The secondary criteria are used to evaluate an actual development proposal and/or would be used to develop what essential elements are necessary for ST to consider involvement in a development proposal.

- ◆ The proposed development identifies joint public or private development partnerships.
- ◆ The proposed development has an ownership and a real estate development and management plan.
- ◆ The proposed development generates revenues to offset costs of construction and/or operation of the transit investment.
- ◆ The proposed development incorporates ST's relocation and neighborhood mitigation objectives.
- ◆ The proposed development's infrastructure needs are programmed or existing.
- ◆ The proposed development preserves future TOD opportunities through site planning and design.
- ◆ The proposed development reflects the values of the community and encourages community participation.
- ◆ The proposed development's design is pedestrian, bicycle and transit friendly.

**The motion to approve Motion No. M99-60 was carried by the majority vote of all Board members present. (Mr. Hansen voted in the minority.)**

### **Report of the Chair**

Mr. Miller announced that his daughter, Michelle, recently participated in the standardized testing for fifth and sixth graders across the nation. She received the results of the testing 1-1/2 weeks ago and she placed in the top 1% in the nation in math.

### **Public and Government Affairs Committee Recommendation**

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

**It was moved by Mr. Enslow and seconded by Ms. Gates that Substitute Motion No. M99-46 be approved as presented.**

**Substitute Motion No. M99-46 was approved by the unanimous vote of all Board members present.**

### **Executive Committee Recommendations**

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

Mr. Miller explained that the Executive Committee took action at its last meeting to recommend Board approval of this item. It fulfills a requirement laid out in ST's enabling legislation.

**It was moved by Mr. Drewel, seconded by Mr. Sutherland and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. R99-3 be approved as presented.**

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Finance Committee**

Ms. Gates reported that at its last meeting the Finance Committee approved the following:

Motion No. M99-61 which authorized the Executive Director to execute an agreement with the WSDOT

for preliminary engineering and environmental review for HOV at I-5 and 164th at a cost not to exceed \$1.3 million;

Motion No. M99-62 amending the environmental services contract with Parametrix for environmental studies for Central and Tacoma Link, with a cost not to exceed \$1.5 million. One of the reasons for the increase as the number of comment letters that had to be responded to;

Motion No. M99-66 which authorizes the Executive Director to execute a contract change for the commuter rail station design in Auburn at a cost of \$103,649 due to reconfiguration and design work;

Motion No. M99-67 authorizing the Executive Director to execute a contract with Environmental Assessment by extending the contract time by one year and increasing it by a cost of \$313,607 for a total of \$1.313 million.

The Committee undertook the first reading of the 2000 budget, and received reviews by the Executive Director and the Finance Director.

#### Public and Government Affairs Committee

Mr. Earling reported that the Senate completed action on the 2000 transportation appropriation bill last week. The House and Senate Conference Committee is expected to meet as early as this Friday or next week. We have been working closely with Senators Gorton and Murray, both of whom are on the Conference Committee.

On October 8, 1999 Secretary Slater will be in the area. There will be a luncheon with Mr. Drewel, Mr. Hansen and Mr. Morrison appearing on a panel. We plan to spend time with Mr. Slater to talk about ST's projects.

We continue meeting with state legislative leaders to develop a potential state contribution toward ST. This has received good support at this point.

#### Executive Committee

Mr. Miller reported that in addition to the two action items presented today, the Executive Committee authorized travel for him to attend the APTA Annual Meeting/Expo in Orlando. The committee also received a briefing on the process for the DuPont park-and-ride lot and discussed the research and technology fund.

#### Other Business

Mr. Sutherland suggested to begin initiating Sounder Commuter Rail on February 29, 2000.

Mr. Miller asked staff to bring alternatives and anticipated results back to the Board.

#### Next Meeting

Thursday, October 14, 1999  
Seattle Art Museum  
1000 University Street, 5th Floor Auditorium  
Seattle, Washington

**Convene Executive Session**

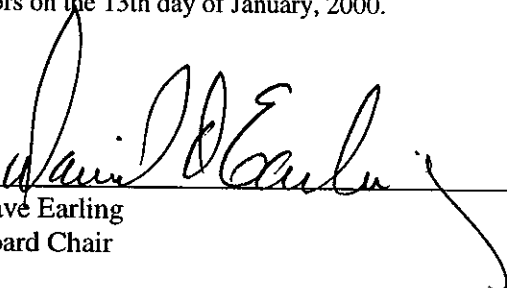
The Board convened an executive session to discuss the PLA. Mr. Miller indicated that the exec session was expected to last for 20 minutes. Following the executive session, the only action the Board would take would be to reconvene and adjourn.

The executive session was convened at 3:47 p.m.

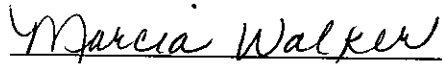
**Adjourn**

The meeting was called back to order and adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Minutes approved by the Sound Transit Board of Directors on the 13th day of January, 2000.

  
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Dave Earling  
Board Chair

ATTEST:

  
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Marcia Walker  
Board Administrator