Sound Transit Executive Committee Minutes

April 4, 2002

Call to Order

Executive Committee Vice Chair Dave Earling called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Attendance

(A)	Ron	Sims,	Chair
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(P) Dave Earling, Vice Chair

(P) John Ladenburg, Vice Chair

(P) Bob Drewel

(P) Dave Enslow

(P) Doug MacDonald

(P) Chuck Mosher

(A) Greg Nickels

(P) Julia Patterson

(P) Kevin Phelps

(P) Cynthia Sullivan

Public Comment

None

Report of the Chair

Mr. Earling advised that both Chair Sims and Executive Director Joni Earl would not be in attendance at the meeting.

Executive Director Report

Mr. Earling advised that under the Executive Director's report, the Committee would be updated on emerging issues.

Mercer Island Park and Ride

Ms. Agnes Govern, Regional Express Director, briefed the Committee on the Mercer Island Park-and-Ride Lot and Transit Station project. She stated that there has been difficulty reaching an agreement with the City of Mercer Island on a preferred concept.

Mr. Mosher advised that he has talked with representatives from Mercer Island. The City has an interest in developing additional parking, but they do not want several stories of parking.

Mr. Drewel suggested Mr. Mosher work with Sound Transit staff and the City of Mercer Island to reach an agreement.

Mr. Earling asked staff to come back to the Executive Committee in two months and give an update on this project.

Bellevue Transit Center

Ms. Govern discussed delays in completion of the Bellevue Transit Center.

(Mr. Ladenburg arrived at this time.)

Mr. MacDonald asked for a report when the work is completed.

Action Items

Minutes of the March 7, 2002, Executive Committee Meeting

It was moved by Mr. Phelps, seconded by Mr. Drewel, and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that the minutes of the March 7, 2002, Executive Committee meeting be approved as presented.

Motion No. M2002-22 - A motion of the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit

Authority to seek policy direction for reimbursement to Sound Transit by partner agencies under specific circumstances

Mr. Paul Matsuoka, Policy and Planning Officer, presented Motion No. M2002-22, stating that the motion was being brought to the Executive Committee at the request of the Finance Committee.

Ms. Sullivan asked about occasions when delays cannot be helped as in the case of permitting.

After additional discussion, Mr. Earling asked staff to modify Motion No. M2002-22 and come back to the next Executive Committee meeting with both the reimbursement policy and a motion covering permitting with other agencies.

Motion No. M2002-38 – Endorsing the development of a Bus Rapid Transit system (BRT), including BRT supportive high capacity transit investments, as described in the preferred alternative for the I-405 Corridor Program Final Environmental Impact Statement and authorizing the Executive Director to take the necessary steps to implement this endorsement

Ms. Barbara Gilliland, Planning and Development Manager, briefed the Executive Committee on Motion No. M2002-38.

It was moved by Mr. Drewel, seconded by Mr. Mosher, and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that Motion No. M2002-38 be forwarded to the Board with a do pass recommendation

Other Business

Mr. MacDonald advised the Executive Committee that the Washington State Department of Transportation would be putting together a work plan to study high-occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes looking at the efficiencies of the HOV lanes, off-peak hours, enforcement issues, etc.

Ms. Sullivan questioned Sound Transit's continued investment in HOV lanes if there is a possibility that the lanes may be opened to the public during off-peak hours.

Mr. Earling asked staff to come back to the Executive Committee with additional information concerning possible changes to HOV lane usage.

Next Meeting

Thursday, May 2, 2002, from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. in the Union Station Board Room, 401 South Jackson Street, Seattle, Washington.

<u>Adjourn</u>

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Ron Sims

Executive Committee Chair

ATTEST:

Marcia Walker

Board Administrator