

**Sound Transit Board Meeting  
Summary Minutes  
October 9, 2003**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1:18 p.m. by Chair Ron Sims in the Sound Transit Board Room, 401 South Jackson Street, Seattle, Washington.

**Roll Call**

Chair

(P) Ron Sims, King County Executive

Vice Chairs

(A) Dave Earling, Edmonds City Council President

(P) John Ladenburg, Pierce County Executive

(P) Jack Crawford, Kenmore City Councilmember

(P) Bob Drewel, Snohomish County Executive

(A) David Enslow, Sumner City Councilmember

(P) Mary Gates, Federal Way City Councilmember

(P) Jane Hague, King County Councilmember

(P) Doug MacDonald, WSDOT Secretary

(A) Richard McIver, Seattle City Councilmember

(P) Chuck Mosher, Bellevue City Councilmember

(A) Greg Nickels, City of Seattle Mayor

(A) Mark Olson, Everett City Councilmember

(P) Julia Patterson, King County Councilmember

(P) Dwight Pelz, King County Councilmember

(P) Kevin Phelps, Tacoma City Councilmember

(A) Cynthia Sullivan, King County Council Chair

(P) Claudia Thomas, City of Lakewood Deputy Mayor

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

The following Board members arrived after roll call:

Jane Hague

Doug MacDonald

**Public Comment**

Mr. Phillip Grega requested Sound Transit correspond with Governor Locke to enact legislation that will allow the disposal of tested, clean excavated spoils into the ocean.

Mr. Mark Dublin spoke to the subject of subarea equity.

Mr. Warren Yi spoke to the Service Implementation Plan and Route 577 to Federal Way.

(Board member MacDonald arrived at this time.)

Mr. Will Knedlik stated his concern that at a recent Citizen Oversight Panel meeting, a member of the panel spoke negatively about Chairman Ernest Istook. Mr. Knedlik stated that he had viewed a video taped presentation by the Chairman of the Expert Review Panel in which the Chairman said there had been crimes committed by Sound Transit.

Mr. MacDonald asked Mr. Knedlik for the name of the Chairman of the Expert Review Panel that he quoted in his testimony.

Mr. Knedlik stated that he was quoting Professor Scott Rutherford, and that he would provide the Board with copies of the information to which he had referred.

Chair Sims announced that he will not allow public comment that alleges the Sound Transit Board is engaged in a crime. He stated that he will allow a speaker to be critical and raise questions, but will not allow a speaker to make accusations of criminal behavior.

Mr. Ladenburg commented that if a member of the public has evidence of a crime, there are procedures to follow. The evidence should be taken to the authorities, have it investigated, and have it prosecuted if there is criminal activity that occurred.

### **Report of the Chair**

Mr. Sims reported that the Board was working from a revised agenda, specifically, Resolution No. R2003-18 was being deferred until the November 13, 2003, meeting. He stated that the Board would also be holding an executive session at the end of the meeting.

### **Chief Executive Officer's Report**

Ms. Earl announced that on October 6, 2003, the Washington Court of Appeals dismissed a key lawsuit on the Federal Way Transit Center and related Federal Way 317th HOV/direct access projects. She added that on October 22, 2003, the Federal Way City Council would be holding a hearing on a separate challenge to the Federal Way Transit Center project's land use decision.

Ms. Earl invited the Board to attend an integration forum, sponsored by the Downtown District Council, which would be held that evening in the Sound Transit Board room.

(Board member Enslow arrived at this time.)

Ms. Earl stated that the Tacoma Link light rail surpassed 100,000 riders during the week.

### **Consent Agenda**

#### **Voucher Certification for the Month of August 2003**

**July 24, 2003, Board meeting minutes**

**August 14, 2003, Board meeting minutes**

**Motion No. M2003-91-1 – Authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute an interlocal agreement with the City of Seattle to provide construction support services for the Central Link Light Rail Initial Segment in the amount of \$37,969,043, with a contingency of \$3,255,019, for a total authorized amount not to exceed \$41,224,062. This action also authorizes a task limit of \$45,574,062 before City of Seattle credits to Sound Transit of \$4,350,000 and supersedes Motion No. M2003-91**

**It was moved by Mr. Phelps, seconded by Mr. Drewel, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented.**

## **Action Items**

### **Items Referred by the Finance Committee**

Motion No. M2003-96 – Authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute a contract with New Flyer of America for the manufacture and delivery of twenty-two, 60-foot low floor diesel-electric hybrid buses in an amount not to exceed \$17,000,000

**It was moved by Mr. Phelps, seconded by Mr. Crawford, and approved by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion No. M2003-96 be approved as presented.**

Motion No. M2003-101 – Authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute a contract amendment with Shannon & Wilson, Inc., to provide additional geotechnical engineering services for the Beacon Hill Tunnel in the amount of \$251,800, with a 10% contingency of \$25,180, for a total of \$276,980, and for a new total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$11,078,581

**It was moved by Mr. Phelps, seconded by Mr. Crawford, and approved by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion No. M2003-101 be approved as presented.**

Motion No. M2003-102 – Authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute a contract amendment with Hatch Mott MacDonald/Jacobs Joint Venture to provide additional civil engineering final design services for the Beacon Hill Tunnel in the amount of \$975,000, with a 10% contingency of \$97,500, for a total of \$1,072,500, and for a new total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$13,088,763

(Board member Hague arrived at this time.)

**It was moved by Mr. Phelps, seconded by Mr. Crawford, and approved by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion No. M2003-102 be approved as presented.**

Motion No. M2003-105 – Authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute a sole source contract with Raul V. Bravo & Associates to provide on-call consulting services related to vehicle technical, warranty, leasing support, and vehicle safety enhancements in the amount of \$359,698, with a 10% contingency of \$35,970, for a total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$395,668

**It was moved by Mr. Phelps and seconded by Mr. Crawford that Motion No. M2003-105 be approved as presented.**

Mr. Ladenburg asked if the work would be moved in house in the future.

Mr. Martin Young, Sounder Operations Manager, answered that more of the work will be brought in house; however, there would be some expertise that needs to be done by technical experts.

**The motion to approve Motion No. M2003-105 was carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present.**

## **Committee Reports**

### **Executive Committee**

Mr. Sims stated that at the October 2, 2003, meeting, the Executive Committee received a presentation on consulting services for a feasibility study of High Capacity Transit connections between light rail stations at Sea-Tac Airport or Tukwila and the Sounder commuter rail station just east of Southcenter; a proposed scope change to the Issaquah Transit Center; and an update on the SR 522 HOV Enhancements.

The Committee also took action on Resolution No. R2003-18, approving the proposed 2003 Service Implementation Plan authorizing staff to implement one new ST Express route and increase service on nine existing ST Express bus routes between 2004 and 2006, and begin the procurement process for new buses to support the proposed service expansion, which the Board will act on in November.

#### Finance Committee

Mr. Phelps reported that at the October 2, 2003, Finance Committee meeting, the members were given a detailed analysis of transit operations for the proposed 2004 budget; and they were given a presentation on the Sounder Fleet Management Plan.

The Committee took action on Motion Nos. M2003-97 and M2003-98, for Preliminary Engineering and Environmental Documentation (PE/ED) for the Bothell/Canyon Park Flyer Stop; Motion No. M2003-100, entering into an intergovernmental agreement with the City of Tacoma for Tacoma Link Light Rail Alignment Area Roadway and Streetscape Improvements; Motion No. M2003-103, executing surveying services for the Link Initial Segment; and Motion No. M2003-104, providing environmental oversight and engineering services for the Central Link Initial Segment.

#### Other Business

None.

#### Next Meeting

Thursday, October 23, 2003  
1:00 to 4:00 p.m.  
Union Station Board Room  
Seattle, Washington

#### Executive Session


At 2:00 p.m. the Board convened a 20-minute executive session to discuss with legal counsel potential litigation to which Sound Transit is likely to become a party.

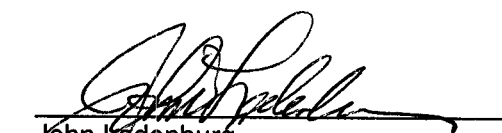
The Board reconvened in open session at 2:20 p.m.

#### Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
Marcia Walker  
Board Administrator

  
John Ladenburg  
Board Chair