

**SOUND TRANSIT BOARD MEETING
Summary Minutes
September 23, 2004**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:08 p.m. by Chair John Ladenburg in the Sound Transit Board Room, 401 South Jackson Street, Seattle, Washington.

Roll Call

Chair

(P) John Ladenburg, Pierce County Executive

Vice Chairs

(P) Greg Nickels, City of Seattle Mayor

(A) Mark Olson, Everett City Councilmember

(P) Fred Butler, Issaquah Deputy Council President

(P) Jack Crawford, Kenmore City Councilmember

(P) David Enslow, Sumner City Councilmember

(P) Doug MacDonald, WSDOT Secretary

(P) Connie Marshall, City of Bellevue Mayor

(A) Richard McIver, Seattle City Councilmember

(A) Julia Patterson, King County Councilmember

(P) Dwight Pelz, King County Councilmember

(P) Kevin Phelps, Tacoma City Councilmember

(P) Larry Phillips, King County Council Chair

(P) Aaron Reardon, Snohomish County Executive

(A) Ron Sims, King County Executive

(P) Jack Start, Mill Creek City Councilmember

(P) Claudia Thomas, Lakewood City Councilmember

(P) Pete von Reichbauer, King County Council Vice Chair

Ms. Jane Emerson, Acting Board Administrator, indicated a quorum of the Board was present at roll call.

The following Board member arrived after roll call:

Doug MacDonald

Public Comment

The following individuals presented comments to the Board. Comments are on file with the Board Administrator.

Mr. Anirudh Sahni, People for Modern Transit

Mr. Richard Borkowski, President of People for Modern Transit

Mr. Will Knedlik, COST Alliance

Mr. Dave Asher, Kirkland Councilmember

Report of the Chair

Mr. Ladenburg advised that an executive session would be held at the end of the meeting. No action would be taken following the executive session.

Mr. Ladenburg presented Mr. Ray Gould, who recently resigned from the Citizen Oversight Panel and the Performance Audit Committee, with an award recognizing his service to Sound Transit.

Mr. Larry Shannon, Citizen Oversight Panel Chair, and Mr. Dave Asher, Performance Audit Committee Chair, expressed their appreciation to Mr. Gould for his dedication to both committees and Sound Transit.

Central Link Vehicle Interior Colors and Fabrics

Mr. Pelz stated that this agenda item had been added to help the Central Link Oversight Committee decide the color scheme for the Central Link vehicle interiors.

Ms. Debora Ashland, Link Senior Architect, presented two proposed color schemes and showed examples to the Board.

(Board member MacDonald arrived at this time.)

Following discussion, Mr. Pelz asked the Board members to select a color palette by a show of hands. The color palette proposed by Kinkisharyo was the clear choice.

Chief Executive Officer's Report

Ms. Earl introduced two new employees: Mr. Phil O'Dell, Project Delivery Support Services Director, and Mr. Brad Holman, Safety and Security Manager.

Ms. Earl stated that all week, Sound Transit had been celebrating five years of service to the region. She announced that the celebration would continue with an open house that afternoon at Union Station showcasing Sound Transit, its partner agencies, and the accomplishments of the last five years.

Ms. Earl referred the Board to the Ridership Report (copy on file). She advised that the second quarter ridership for ST Express, Sounder commuter rail, and the Tacoma Link light rail reached over 2.5 million passenger boardings. This was an increase of 24.6% over the second quarter of 2003. If you subtract Tacoma Link, which wasn't running in the second quarter of 2003, the ridership was up 15.4%.

Long-Range Vision and Phase 2 Planning

Mr. Paul Matsuoka, Policy and Planning Officer, stated that when staff first began the work on the Long-Range Plan, the Phase 2 Plan, and the supplemental environmental impact statement (SEIS), a Board directive was to do the work on a schedule that would permit a 2005 election at the earliest. In addition, earlier in the year, the Board contemplated joining with the RTID in a joint ballot proposition, but for various reasons, the regional elected officials decided not to go to the ballot in 2004. Staff was asked to keep the agency in a state of readiness should the region's elected officials decide to pursue a joint ballot in 2005.

He stated that staff has been working on a schedule that would comply with that directive to try to get the work done to permit a 2005 election. The current schedule calls for the SEIS to be completed in February 2005, followed very quickly by the adoption of the Long-Range Plan in March and Phase 2 Plan adopted in May. He advised that during outreach efforts, staff has heard some consistent themes. The first is a high interest in the Long-Range Plan and Phase 2 Planning. The second theme has been concern that the schedule is too aggressive. Staff has developed an alternative schedule (copy on file) that would maintain a Spring 2005 timeframe

for the SEIS and Long-Range Plan, but would permit additional time for greater public participation.

Following discussion, Mr. Ladenburg stated the consensus of the Board is to support the alternative schedule.

Mr. Ric Ilgenfritz, Chief Corporate and Strategic Communications Officer, discussed the communication process to involve the public with contributing to the development of the Long-Range Plan. As a part of the public involvement, he advised that some new innovative tools would be introduced.

Mr. Paul Arnold, Parsons Brinkerhoff, demonstrated keyhole satellite-based technology. Mr. Arnold explained that the software would bring together aerial photos of existing facilities and planned facilities, giving the public an opportunity to visualize the possibilities and the constraints for planning purposes.

Action Items

Mr. Ladenburg advised the Board that Resolutions No. R2004-12 and No. R2004-13 were companion items. He explained that Resolution No. R2004-12 was a budget amendment and would require a 2/3 affirmative vote of the Board (twelve members). Therefore, he stated that the Board would take action on these items at this point in the meeting, because some Board members needed to leave the meeting early.

Items Referred by Finance Committee

Resolution No. R2004-12 – Transferring \$1,000,000 from the Regional Express South King County Program Reserve to the Federal Way Transit Center project to partially fund development of 21st Avenue South in the City of Federal Way

It was moved by Mr. Phelps, seconded by Mr. Crawford, and carried by the unanimous vote of all thirteen Board members present that Resolution No. R2004-12 be approved as presented.

Resolution No. R2004-13 – (1) repealing authority granted the Chief Executive Officer under Resolution No. R2003-14 related to the Federal Way Transit Center project; and (2) authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute an agreement with the City of Federal Way, and (3) authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to declare, in the future, certain real property adjacent to Sound Transit's Federal Way Transit Center project as surplus and to dispose of those properties

It was moved by Mr. Phelps, seconded by Mr. Crawford, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. R2004-13 be approved as presented.

Consent Agenda

Voucher Certification for August 16 through August 31, 2004

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

Action Items (continued)

Items Referred by Finance Committee

Motion No. M2004-94 – Authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute a contract with GE Transportation Systems Global Signaling, LLC in the amount of \$30,269,840, with a 7% contingency of \$2,118,889, to engineer, manufacture, furnish, install, and test the train signal system for the Central Link Light Rail Initial Segment for a total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$32,388,729

It was moved by Mr. Phelps, seconded by Mr. Crawford, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion No. M2004-94 be approved as presented.

Motion No. M2004-95 – Authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute a contract amendment with KJM & Associates, Inc. /JTS Management Services Joint Venture in the amount of \$3,371,272, to provide management services and technical expertise for agency-wide project control and integrated systems support, for a new total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$5,517,420

It was moved by Mr. Phelps, seconded by Mr. Crawford, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion No. M2004-95 be approved as presented.

Discussion Item

Draft 2005 Service Implementation Plan

Mr. Mike Bergman, Program Manager, briefed the Board on the 2005 Service Implementation Plan (SIP). He stated that for the first time, the plan includes all three modes of transportation: ST Express, Sounder commuter rail, and Tacoma Link light rail. He presenting information on the status the SIP, the public involvement process, and the draft schedule for Board discussion.

Committee Reports

Audit and Reporting Subcommittee

Mr. Phelps reported that the subcommittee met on September 8, 2004. The members reviewed the second quarter financial reports, the tri-annual review by the FTA, and the first review of the Proposed 2005 Budget.

Finance Committee

Mr. Phelps reported that the at the September 16, 2004, Finance Committee meeting, the committee delayed action on Motion No. M2004-91, executing a contract with Evans/McDonough Company, Inc. to provide marketing, customer satisfaction, and public opinion research services on an as-needed basis to give staff time to answer some questions about the action.

The Finance Committee approved Motion No. M2004-92, executing a contract with Weston Solutions to provide Geographic Information Systems services for a two-year term for a total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$494,000; and Motion No. M2004-93, executing a

contract amendment with Kraght Snell, PS in the amount of \$150,000 to continue to provide on-call consulting services for EnterpriseOne software, for a new total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$300,000.

Other Business

None.

Executive Session

Mr. Ladenburg announced that the Board would convene an Executive Session. He advised that there would not be any action taken following the Executive Session.

At 3:20 p.m., the Board convened a 15-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 3:32 p.m.

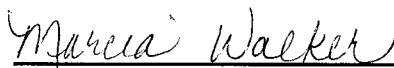
Next Meeting

Thursday, October 14, 2004
1:00 to 4:00 p.m.
Union Station Board Room
Seattle, Washington

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

ATTEST:



Marcia Walker
Board Administrator



John W. Ladenburg
Board Chair