

**SOUND TRANSIT BOARD MEETING  
Summary Minutes  
November 18, 2004**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1:38 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

(P) Mark Olson, Everett City Councilmember

(P) Fred Butler, Issaquah Deputy Council

(P) President

(P) Jack Crawford, Kenmore City Councilmember

(P) David Enslow, Sumner City Councilmember

(P) Doug MacDonald, WSDOT Secretary

(A) Connie Marshall, City of Bellevue Mayor

(P) Richard McIver, Seattle City Councilmember

(A) Julia Patterson, King County Councilmember

Dwight Pelz, King County Councilmember

(P) Kevin Phelps, Tacoma City Councilmember

(P) Larry Phillips, King County Council Chair

(A) Aaron Reardon, Snohomish County Executive

(P) Ron Sims, King County Executive

(P) Jack Start, Mill Creek City Councilmember

(P) Claudia Thomas, Lakewood City

(P) Councilmember

Pete von Reichbauer, King County Council  
Vice Chair

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

The following Board members arrived after roll call:

Doug MacDonald

Ron Sims

**Public Comment**

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

Mr. Ward Truess, President, Eastside Transportation Association

(Board member MacDonald arrived.)

**Report of the Chair**

Mr. Ladenburg advised that the Board would be working from a revised agenda, specifically, the Long-Range Vision and Phase 2 Planning topic had been added and Resolution No. R2004-15, approving the proposed 2005 Service Implementation Plan, had been removed.

**Chief Executive Officer's Report**

Ms. Earl reported that Sound Transit opened the first direct access ramp this week. Sound Transit partnered on the project with the Washington State Department of Transportation, the City of

Lynnwood, and Community Transit. The project was completed six months ahead of schedule and \$5 million under budget.

### **Long Range Vision and Phase 2 Planning**

Mr. Paul Matsuoka, Policy and Planning Officer, went through the Eastside mass transit technology analysis (copy on file). He stated that one of the biggest issues in the long-range planning is the question of the technology choices in the East King County subarea.

One area staff is focusing on is I-90. He advised that while the identified preferred alternative for two-way transit access project is deemed to be a near-term solution for the center lanes, the goal is to answer the question of the ultimate configuration and modal choices. He said that as a part of the planning, staff will be developing a systematic view of the East King County Subarea.

### **Consent Agenda**

Voucher Certification for October 1 through October 15, 2004

Minutes of the September 23, 2004, Board meeting

**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**

Items Referred by Executive Committee

Motion No. M2004-108 – Approving the appointment of Aubrey Davis and Patsy Tsui Bonincontri both from the East King County subarea, to the Citizen Oversight Panel to a term of four years each, beginning November 2004 and expiring November 2008

**It was moved by Mr. Olson, seconded by Mr. Phelps, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion No. M2004-108 be approved as presented.**

Motion No. M2004-111 – Authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to increase the total authorized expenditure amount for a given contract without explicit Sound Transit Board action in order to include public works betterments requested and fully funded by public agencies in the scope of Link Light Rail and Regional Express/Sounder Capital Projects professional services and construction contracts, provided that no individual contract amendment for betterment work exceeds \$500,000 and that incorporation of such betterment work has no adverse impact on Sound Transit project work

**It was moved by Mr. Phelps, seconded by Ms. Marshall, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion No. M2004-111 be approved as presented.**

Items Referred by Finance Committee

Motion No. M2004-105 – Authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute a sole source contract with Pilchuck Contractors to extend a fiber optic communication system to each of the Sounder south line stations in the amount of \$296,000 with a contingency of \$29,600 totaling \$325,600 for a total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$325,600

**It was moved by Mr. Phelps, seconded by Mr. Crawford, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion No. M2004-105 be approved as presented.**

Motion No. M2004-110 – Authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute a contract amendment with Parametrix, Inc. to complete environmental review for the Airport Link project in the amount of \$341,000, with a contingency of \$34,000, for a new total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$9,781,221

**It was moved by Mr. Phelps, seconded by Mr. Crawford, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion No. M2004-110 be approved as presented.**

Resolution No. R2004-18 – Authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to acquire, dispose, or lease certain real property interests by negotiated purchase, by condemnation (including settlement), condemnation litigation, or entering administrative settlements, and to pay eligible relocation and re-establishment benefits to affected owners and tenants as necessary for a portion of the Central Link Light Rail Project from Boeing Access Road to South 154th Street in Tukwila

**It was moved by Mr. Phelps, seconded by Mr. Crawford, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. R2004-18 be approved as presented.**

#### Item Not Referred by Committee

Motion No. M2004-116 – Identifying a site east of 1st Avenue NE and west of the existing King County Metro Northgate Transit Center, spanning NE 103rd Street, as the preferred location and configuration for the Northgate light rail station of the North Link Segment of the Central Link Light Rail Project to be advanced to preliminary engineering and authorizing an alternative location at 1st Avenue NE, between NE 100th and NE 103rd Streets, to be advanced to conceptual engineering

Mr. Ron Endlich, North Link Program Manager, presented Motion No. M2004-116.

(Board member Sims arrived.)

**It was moved by Mr. Nickels, seconded by Mr. Phelps, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion No. M2004-116 be approved as presented.**

#### Committee Reports

##### Executive Committee

Mr. Ladenburg reported that in addition to the three items that came before the Board earlier, at the November 4, 2004, Executive Committee meeting, the members discussed and reaffirmed the project scope and updated cost of the Issaquah Transit Center/SR 900 Project.

##### Finance Committee

Mr. Phelps reported that the Finance Committee met earlier that day. At the meeting, he requested staff bring an analysis for a potential fare increase for the 2005 budget to the December Finance Committee meeting.

Mr. Phelps advised that the Finance Committee is continuing with budget discussions and plans to bring the budget resolution to the Board on December 9, 2004.

The Finance Committee approved Motion No. M2004-109, a contract amendment in the amount of \$45,000 with Martin Flynn Associates for professional state government relations consulting services; Motion No. M2004-107, executing the interagency agreement with Pierce Transit for the maintenance and operations of the Tacoma Dome Station; Motion No. M2004-113, executing a contract with Keeney's Office Plus to provide office supplies for Sound Transit in an amount not to

exceed \$550,000; Motion No. M2004-115, executing a contract with HDR Engineering, Inc. to provide preliminary engineering services for the Tacoma to Lakewood Track and Signal Project; and Motion No. M2004-114, executing a contract with GE Transportation Systems Global Signaling to design, furnish, install, and test a Closed Circuit Television, Passenger Information Management System, and Global Position Systems based Automatic Vehicle Location, for the Sounder south line stations and services. Following discussion on Motion No. M2004-106, executing a new interagency agreement with Pierce Transit for police security and comprehensive services for Tacoma Link Light Rail, the Committee asked staff to bring the motion back for further discussion.

#### Central Link Oversight Committee

Ms. Thomas reported that in lieu of a regular meeting, the Central Link Oversight Committee toured the Central Link alignment earlier that day. She stated how impressive it was to see the construction work in progress.

#### Other Business

None.

#### Next Meeting


Thursday, December 9, 2004  
1:00 to 4:00 p.m.  
Union Station Board Room  
Seattle, Washington

#### Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 2:43 p.m.

  
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John W. Ladenburg  
Board Chair

ATTEST:

  
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Marcia Walker  
Board Administrator