

SOUND TRANSIT BOARD MEETING
Summary Minutes
June 12, 2008

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:14 p.m. by Vice Chair Claudia Thomas, in the Ruth Fisher Boardroom, 401 South Jackson Street, Seattle, Washington.

Roll Call

Chair

(A) *Greg Nickels, City of Seattle Mayor*

Vice Chairs

(A) *Aaron Reardon, Snohomish County Executive*

(P) *Claudia Thomas, Lakewood Councilmember*

(A) *Julie Anderson, Tacoma City Councilmember*

(P) *Mary-Alyce Burleigh, Kirkland Councilmember*

(P) *Fred Butler, Issaquah Deputy Council President*

(A) *Richard Conlin, Seattle Councilmember*

(P) *Dow Constantine, King County Council Vice Chair*

(P) *Deanna Dawson, Edmonds Councilmember*

(P) *David Enslow, City of Sumner Mayor*

(A) *Paula Hammond, WSDOT Secretary*

(A) *John Ladenburg, Pierce County Executive*

(P) *John Marchione, City of Redmond Mayor*

(A) *Julia Patterson, King County Council Chair*

(P) *Larry Phillips, King County Council Chair*

(P) *Paul Roberts, Everett Councilmember*

(A) *Ron Sims, King County Executive*

(P) *Pete von Reichbauer, King County Councilmember*

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

Report of the Chair

Vice Chair Thomas announced that the June 19, 2008 Finance Committee meeting and the July 3, 2008 Executive Committee meeting are cancelled.

Chief Executive Officer's Report

Joni Earl, CEO reported that the Canyon Park project received the American Society of Civil Engineers 2007 Local Civil Engineering Achievement Honor award in Transportation and Development Engineering. The project also received an earlier award from the American Institute of Architecture.

She announced that a claim relating to the Airport Link project has been settled and that the Port of Seattle will be sharing around 55% of the cost of the settlement; Sound Transit's half was approved by her under her signature authority.

She also announced that the Joint Legislative Committee of the State Legislature has commissioned a review of the I-90 technical and design issues of adding light rail to the I-90 bridge, the team doing the review is called the Independent Review Team or IRT. This follows previous concerns by WSDOT on the feasibility of rail on the bridge and is also following load testing and transition joint studies done by WSDOT. Other issues that will be examined by the team include questions about isolating stray current and any issues around the attachment of

rail and power poles and design issues around the joints. They will present to the Joint Transportation Committee meeting at its June 18, 2008 meeting and will have findings in July.

Boardmember Roberts expressed interest in getting a summary of some of the issues with adding light rail to I-90; Ms. Earl noted that an executive summary of the draft report by the IRT may be available and could be distributed to the Board.

Public Comment

(Comments on file with the Board Administrator)

Paul Zimmer
Paul W. Locke
Robert Scheuerman
Will Knedlik
Tim Gould

ST2 Discussion Item

Ric Ilgenfritz, Executive Director of the Office of Policy, Planning and Public Affairs and Greg Walker, Chief Policy & Planning Officer announced that staff would be bringing forward sustainability information on the ST2 plan including information on greenhouse gases to the June 26 Board meeting; today's meeting would focus on the benefit cost analysis. He noted that the benefit cost analysis is required by the PSRC to ensure the plan is consistent with 2050 and to inform the Board and the public.

Mr. Walker explained that the analysis covers light rail and commuter rail components of the two 12-year plans. He went over what is included in the analysis and compared the results for each of the two 12-year plans by showing the benefit cost ratio, the net present value and the economic rate of return. All three plans, the two 12-year plans and the 20-year plan, exceed present costs by \$7 billion to \$16 billion and exceeded low-risk bond rates.

Mr. Walker also presented graphs showing the cumulative benefits versus cumulative costs and the breakdown of benefits achieved. He showed a schedule of Sound Transit's progress in working with the PSRC and noted that based on initial feedback, the plan is expected to be in conformity with the 2030 plan. PSRC will make a final decision on conformity at its July 24, 2008 meeting.

Boardmember Constantine asked what benefits were not included in the analysis. Mr. Walker responded that derivative benefits such as changes to development patterns, sustainability measures, air quality improvements and reductions in greenhouse gas emissions are not accounted for in the analysis. Mr. Ilgenfritz also pointed out that additional benefits are listed in the methodology report.

Vice Chair Thomas asked that the schedule be reviewed for the Board. Ms. Earl reported that the next meeting would report on greenhouse gases, and that the ST2 Financial Plan would be brought to the Board after a more detailed review by the Finance Committee. She noted that amendments will need to be made to the 20-year plan and reiterated that Chair Nickels would like Boardmembers to work with staff to try to develop amendments to bring to the June 26, 2008 meeting to start the process, but that no action was planned for that meeting. She also noted that a report on public outreach would be presented.

At the July 10 meeting, the Board Chair proposes taking action on amendments in order to give direction to staff to prepare a final plan for the July 24 meeting. She stated that going to the ballot in 2008 needs to be voted on by the Board no later than the July 24 Board meeting. She confirmed that staff would be working hard to make sure Boardmembers have all the information they need.

Boardmember Roberts noted that he will not be able to attend the 7/24 meeting but would like to participate by phone.

Consent Agenda

Minutes of the April 24, 2008 Meeting
Voucher Certification for March 1, 2008 through March 15, 2008
Voucher Certification for March 16, 2008 through March 31, 2008
Voucher Certification for April 1, 2008 through April 15, 2008
Voucher Certification for April 16, 2008 through April 30, 2008

It was moved by Boardmember Butler, seconded by Boardmember Roberts, and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that the consent agenda be approved as presented.

Action Items

Items referred by the Finance Committee

Motion No. M2008-56 – Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a three-year contract with two one-year options with Securitas Security Services to provide unarmed security services, for a total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$14,000,000.

Boardmember Butler spoke to the motion that was recommended by the Finance Committee. He explained that platform services will be provided by a three part system of station agents, unarmed and armed security. He noted that the Board had previously approved a contract with Hallcon for the station agents, and that this motion and Motion No. M2008-57 would be for the unarmed and armed security contracts respectively. He reported that the committee, with the exception of one member, believed the contracts provided the most comprehensive approach and noted that both contracts are within the adopted budget. He also recognized Sue Rahr, King County Sheriff who was present to answer any Boardmember questions.

It was moved by Boardmember Butler, seconded by Boardmember Burleigh, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion No. M2008-56 be approved as presented.

Motion No. M2008-57 – Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a three-year agreement with two one-year options with the King County Sheriff's Office to provide law enforcement services, for a total authorized amount not to exceed \$16,800,000.

Boardmember Butler spoke to the motion that was recommended by the Finance Committee. He noted that this contract allows flexibility to make adjustments to the contract based on actual experience and said this contract represents the correct direction to provide a safe environment. Sheriff Rahr spoke in favor of the motion and reiterated that the contract is based on flexibility and the ability to tailor the service. She also noted that the contract will ensure that the agency is prepared. She said that the King County Sheriff's department is looking forward to bringing specialized service to Sound Transit.

Ms. Earl commented on the staff work that has gone into both of these contracts; both represent 2-3 years of work to find the right mix of unarmed and armed security, and noted that the agency received positive comments on the RFP for unarmed security. She noted that the King County Sheriffs contract will provide for a staffing plan and will not include a fixed cost. She recommended Motion No. M2008-57 be approved and stated that it was a very strong security strategy.

Boardmember Enslow expressed concern over the action because money spent on security takes money away from providing transportation. Ken Cummins, Security Officer answered Mr. Enslow's questions about how much of the money in the contract would be dedicated to Sounder security and where that security would be deployed. Mr. Enslow asked if Sound Transit could expect to see a decrease in incidents because of this action; Mr. Cummins responded that similar temporary contracts reduced incidents by 40%. Sheriff Rahr also confirmed that this contract will provide the ability to deal with the level of crimes normally seen at stations that can't be dealt with in the same way by local jurisdictions and that the King County sheriffs work with jurisdictions through a similar contract with King County Metro.

It was moved by Boardmember Butler, seconded by Boardmember Burleigh, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion No. M2008-57 be approved as presented.

Vice Chair Claudia Thomas presented a certificate of recognition to Ken Cummins for his work at the agency. She announced that he will be leaving to go to Iraq for one year with the Marines. She read the recognition into the record and presented it to Mr. Cummins.

Executive Session

None.

Other Business

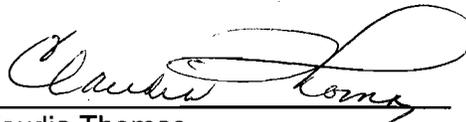
None.

Next Meeting

Thursday June 26, 2008
1:00 to 4:00 p.m.
Ruth Fisher Boardroom

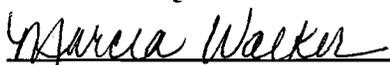
Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 2:22 p.m.



Claudia Thomas
Board Vice Chair

ATTEST:



Marcia Walker
Board Administrator

**Regional Transit Authority
Voucher Certification Approval
March 15, 2008**

Auditing Officer Certification

I, the undersigned, certify under penalty of perjury that the expenses listed below represent claims that were just, due, and paid obligations against the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority, and further that I am authorized to authenticate and certify said claims paid through the disbursement process.

Auditing Officer:



Kelly Priestley, Controller

The vouchers below have been reviewed and certified by individual departments and the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority's Auditing Officer.

Claims Vouchers:	Numbers	Amounts
A/P Checks *	59725 - 59999*	7,516,704.33
Treasurer Checks		0.00
Wire Transfers, Credit Cards, ACHs	21	4,310,788.01
Voided Checks	59153, 59186	(1,200.00)
Total Claims	293	\$11,826,292.34

Smart Card Central Payments:	Numbers	Amounts
Wire Transfers		0.00
Total Claims	0	\$0.00

Payroll Vouchers:	Numbers	Amounts
Payroll Checks	7127 - 7130	\$4,466.07
Direct Deposit	427	\$739,197.68
Voided Check /EFT		\$0.00
Payroll Taxes	1	\$163,885.32
Total Payroll	432	\$907,549.07

* Check 59897 was not issued

Total certified vouchers from March 1, 2008 through March 15, 2008 are \$12,733,841.41.

**Regional Transit Authority
Voucher Certification Approval
March 31, 2008**

Auditing Officer Certification

I, the undersigned, certify under penalty of perjury that the expenses listed below represent claims that were just, due, and paid obligations against the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority, and further that I am authorized to authenticate and certify said claims paid through the disbursement process.

Auditing Officer:



Kelly Priestley, Controller

The vouchers below have been reviewed and certified by individual departments and the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority's Auditing Officer.

Claims Vouchers:	Numbers	Amounts
A/P Checks *	60000 - 60268*	8,463,739.53
Treasurer Checks		0.00
Wire Transfers, Credit Cards, ACHs	20	16,914,270.32
Voided Checks	59579	(6,250.00)
Total Claims	287	\$25,371,759.85

Smart Card Central Payments:	Numbers	Amounts
Wire Transfers		0.00
Total Claims	0	\$0.00

Payroll Vouchers:	Numbers	Amounts
Payroll Checks	7131 - 7139	\$9,818.14
Direct Deposit	428	\$730,388.61
Voided Check /EFT	7139	(\$60.47)
Payroll Taxes	1	\$161,224.78
Total Payroll	437	\$901,371.06

* Check 60012 was not issued

Check 60268 was the last AP check issued through Bank of America

Check 7139 was the last Payroll check issued through Bank of America

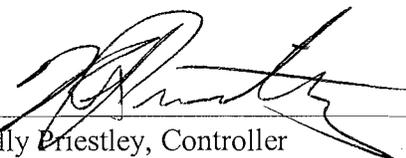
Total certified vouchers from March 16, 2008 through March 31, 2008 are \$26,273,130.91.

**Regional Transit Authority
Voucher Certification Approval
April 15, 2008**

Auditing Officer Certification

I, the undersigned, certify under penalty of perjury that the expenses listed below represent claims that were just, due, and paid obligations against the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority, and further that I am authorized to authenticate and certify said claims paid through the disbursement process.

Auditing Officer:



Kelly Priestley, Controller

The vouchers below have been reviewed and certified by individual departments and the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority's Auditing Officer.

Claims Vouchers:	Numbers	Amounts
A/P Checks *	70000 - 70259*	15,123,143.63
Treasurer Checks		0.00
Wire Transfers, Credit Cards, ACHs	24	11,691,271.27
Voided Checks	58694, 59494, 59867, 60052	(12,775.52)
Total Claims	277	\$26,801,639.38

Smart Card Central Payments:	Numbers	Amounts
Wire Transfers		0.00
Total Claims	0	\$0.00

Payroll Vouchers:	Numbers	Amounts
Payroll Checks	8000 - 8012	\$23,018.80
Direct Deposit	428	\$738,839.44
Voided Check /EFT		\$0.00
Payroll Taxes	1	\$167,197.16
Total Payroll	442	\$929,055.40

* Checks 70213, 70239 and 70250 were not issued

Check 70000 is the first AP check issued through Wells Fargo

Check 8000 is the first Payroll check issued through Wells Fargo

Total certified vouchers from April 1, 2008 through April 15, 2008 are \$27,730,694.78.

**Regional Transit Authority
Voucher Certification Approval
April 30, 2008**

Auditing Officer Certification

I, the undersigned, certify under penalty of perjury that the expenses listed below represent claims that were just, due, and paid obligations against the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority, and further that I am authorized to authenticate and certify said claims paid through the disbursement process.

Auditing Officer:



Kelly Priestley, Controller

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Claims Vouchers:	Numbers	Amounts
A/P Checks *	70260 - 70574*	14,035,722.90
Treasurer Checks	1200 - 1206	42.00
Wire Transfers, Credit Cards, ACHs	20	18,247,837.31
Voided Checks	58648, 60118, 60244	(5,355.65)
Total Claims	335	\$32,278,246.56

Smart Card Central Payments:	Numbers	Amounts
Wire Transfers	11	450,027.31
Total Claims	11	\$450,027.31

Payroll Vouchers:	Numbers	Amounts
Payroll Checks	8013 - 8022	\$14,127.47
Direct Deposit	432	\$747,211.31
Voided Check /EFT		
Payroll Taxes	1	\$165,941.57
Total Payroll	442	\$927,280.35

* Checks 70296, 70369, 70471 and 70547 were not issued

Check 1180 is the last Treasurer's check issued through Bank of America

Check 1200 is the first Treasurer's check issued through Wells Fargo

Total certified vouchers from April 16, 2008 through April 30, 2008 are \$33,655,554.22.