

SOUND TRANSIT CAPITAL COMMITTEE MEETING

Summary Minutes

June 14, 2012

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:41 p.m. by Committee Chair Fred Butler, in the Ruth Fisher Boardroom, 401 South Jackson Street, Seattle, Washington.

ROLL CALL

Chair

(P) Fred Butler, Issaquah Deputy Council President

Vice Chair

(P) Richard Conlin, Seattle Councilmember

Boardmembers

(P) Claudia Balducci, Bellevue Councilmember

(P) Julia Patterson, King County Councilmember

(P) Dave Earling, Edmonds Mayor

(P) Larry Phillips, King County Councilmember

(A) Pat McCarthy, Pierce County Executive

(A) Pete von Reichbauer, King County

(A) Mike McGinn, Seattle Mayor

Councilmember

Alex Herzog, Board Coordinator, announced that a quorum of the Committee was present at roll call.

REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Public Hearing on Surplus Property

Before the Capital Committee meeting, a hearing was held to notify the public and seek comment on Sound Transit's plans to convey surplus real property to the Port of Seattle. The property was acquired for the South Link – Airport Station to South 200th Street project. When the South Link Project finishes construction in 2016, the westerly portion of the property will no longer be needed. No comments were made at the hearing.

Committee Vice Chair Conlin asked to participate in the meeting by phone. The Board Rules and Operating Procedures allow members to attend meetings by teleconference with a two-thirds affirmative vote of those members in attendance.

It was moved by Board Vice Chair Patterson, seconded by Boardmember Phillips, and carried by the unanimous vote that Committee Vice Chair Conlin be allowed to participate in the meeting by telephone.

CEO REPORT

None.

REPORTS TO THE COMMITTEE

Identify Preferred Bellevue Cost Savings

Ron Lewis, East Link Executive Project Director, Don Billen, Light Rail Development Manager and Dave Berg, City of Bellevue Transportation Director presented the Bellevue cost savings technical findings.

The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Bellevue and Sound Transit, authorized by the Board in July of 2011, includes such as project funding, cost savings incentives, the collaborative design process, and land use permitting processes. The MOU states that the City of Bellevue must contribute \$160 million through cost reductions or other contributions; \$100 million must be contributed up-front and \$60 million in contingent funds.

Several items, having an approximate value of between \$20 million and \$24 million, have been identified for further engineering review that are likely to reduce the City's contingent contribution of \$60 million. Possible items that reduce the City's contingent contribution are tunnel design optimization, tunnel station design optimization, elevated guideway design, reduction of storm water vaults through use of low-impact development design, and expedition of tunnel construction through additional temporary road closures.

Options in the area near the Winters House include relocating the Winters House or shifting Bellevue Way west from its current location. Also, changes in route alignment on 112th Avenue Southeast and Southeast 8th Street, and on Southeast 4th Street may result in cost savings.

The cost savings workplan developed by the leadership group includes several ideas for further development such as an at-grade alignment the length of 112th Avenue Southeast with a crossing from the east to the west-side at SE 15th Street below a new road overpass, and no further development of an elevated fly-over at Southeast 15th Street or retained cut at Southeast 4th Street. Also, a stacked tunnel station, in which one route direction is on top of the other, routes are and the Northeast 6th Street may result in cost savings, but requires further examination to determine potential savings.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Minutes of the May 10, 2012 Capital Committee meeting

It was moved by Boardmember Phillips, seconded by Boardmember Balducci, and carried by unanimous vote that the May 10, 2012 Capital Committee minutes be approved as presented.

Motion No. M2012-34: Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a contract with HDR, Inc., to provide consulting services for Phase 1 of the Federal Way Transit Extension in the amount of \$3,200,421 with a 10% contingency of \$320,042, for a total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$3,520,463

Mike Williams, Light Rail Project Development Director, and Cathal Ridge, South Corridor Development Manager, presented the staff report.

Public Comment (Comments on file with the Board Administrator)
Charlene Anderson
Marwan Salloum

It was moved by Board Vice Chair Patterson, seconded by Boardmember Balducci, and carried by unanimous vote that Motion No. M2012-34 be approved as presented.

Motion No. M2012-35: Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a contract with Titan Earthwork, LLC, to provide demolition and site preparation services for the Brooklyn and Roosevelt station sites within the Northgate Link Extension in the amount of \$4,444,445, with a 10% contingency of \$444,444, for a total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$4,888,889

Don Davis, Executive Project Director of North Link and Julian Franco, Project Manager, presented the staff report.

It was moved by Boardmember Phillips, seconded by Board Vice Chair Patterson and carried by unanimous vote that Motion No. M2012-35 be approved as presented.

Motion No. M2012-36: Adopting the permanent facility and station names for the North Link and University Link Projects

Brooke Belman, DECM Community Outreach Director, Jeff Munnoch, Community Outreach Corridor Supervisor, and Tracy Reed, Senior Project Manager, presented the staff report.

It was moved by Boardmember Phillips, seconded by Boardmember Balducci, and carried by unanimous vote that Motion No. M2012-36 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation.

Motion No. M2012-37: Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a contract with Stacy and Witbeck, Inc., for procurement of rail and rail fasteners for the University Link systems construction for a total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$7,139,169

Justin Garrod, Senior Systems Engineer, and Joe Gildner, Executive Project Director, presented the staff report.

It was moved by Boardmember Phillips, seconded by Boardmember Balducci and carried by unanimous vote that Motion No. M2012-37 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation.

Motion No. M2012-38: Authorizing the chief executive officer to increase the contingency for the contract with MidMountain Contractors, Inc. for the construction of the D Street to M Street Track and Signal Project in the amount of \$3,700,000, for a new total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$67,583,109.

Eric Beckman, Project Director, Everett-Nisqually and Tom Dean, Construction Project Manager, presented the staff report.

It was moved by Boardmember Phillips, seconded by Boardmember Balducci, and carried by unanimous vote that Motion No. M2012-38 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation.

Resolution No. R2012-13: 1) Revising the alignment that was selected by the Board in 2006 for the North Link – UW Station to Northgate Project (currently known as the Northgate Link Extension); (2) adopting the Northgate Link Extension baseline schedule and budget, which constitutes Board approval of Gate 5 within Sound Transit's Phase Gate System by (a) amending the project Lifetime Budget from \$465,500,000 to \$2,131,400,000 and (b) amending the project 2012 Annual Budget from \$76,248,584 to \$47,247,600; (3) establishing a Northgate Link Extension Project Reserve with a Lifetime Budget of \$50,000,000 and an Annual Budget of \$0; and (4) amending the Initial Segment Project Reserve by reducing the Lifetime Budget from \$58,495,000 to \$8,495,000

Ahmad Fazel, Executive Director, and Don Davis, Executive Project Director of North Link, presented the staff report.

It was moved by Boardmember Phillips, seconded by Boardmember Earling, and carried by unanimous vote that Resolution No. R2012-13 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation.

Committee Vice Chair Conlin introduced a proposal to study named the Northgate Access Improvements. The study would be a two-step process with connectivity analysis followed by an access study to identify and prioritize specific improvements. The improvements might be funded by Sound Transit in partnership with the City of Seattle, King County Metro, and other local, state, and federal sources. In addition, a funding contribution from Sound Transit is proposed Northgate pedestrian and bicycle access improvements capped at \$10 million, which include credits for current project commitments as included in the baselined Northgate Link Extension budget. In addition, before Sound Transit dollars would be authorized towards the improvements, the City of Seattle must match Sound Transit's \$10 million funding contribution, must complete appropriate environmental review for the proposed pedestrian and bicycle access improvements, and must have full funding partnership agreements in place to complete the improvements by 2021.

The Committee asked staff to prepare an action based on Boardmember Conlin's proposal for consideration at the June 28, 2012 Board meeting.

Motion No. M2012-39: Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a nine-year contract with two one-year options to extend with North Star, a joint venture of CH2M Hill, Inc., and Jacobs Project Management Company, to provide construction management services for the Northgate Link Extension in the amount of \$75,482,233, plus a 10% contingency of \$7,548,223, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$83,030,456

Don Davis, Executive Project Director of North Link, and Dick Sage, Construction Management Director, presented the staff report.

It was moved by Boardmember Earling, seconded by Boardmember Phillips, and carried by unanimous vote that Motion No. M2012-39 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation.

Motion No. M2012-40: Authorizing the chief executive officer to (1) execute a Development and Transitway Agreement with the City of SeaTac for the South Link – Airport to South 200th Street Project, specifying the terms and conditions for development of the project from SeaTac/Airport Station to South 200th Street, and establishing the use of City of SeaTac public right-of-way, and (2) to execute all other subsequent agreements with the City of SeaTac as may be necessary to implement this Agreement for a total authorized expenditure not to exceed \$3,442,300

Miles Haupt, South Link Project Director, and Rod Kempkes, Sr. Civil Engineer, presented the staff report.

It was moved by Board Vice Chair Patterson, seconded by Committee Vice Chair Conlin, and carried by unanimous vote that Motion No. M2012-40 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation.

Resolution No. R2012-12: Authorizing the chief executive officer to purchase two perpetual commuter rail easements in The BNSF Railway Company's right of way between Seattle and Tacoma in the amount of \$52,000,000 for Easement 3 and \$48,000,000 for Easement 4, consistent with a Purchase and Sale Agreement with The BNSF Railway Company.

Eric Beckman, Project Director and Roger Hansen, Real Property Director presented the staff report.

It was moved by Boardmember Balducci, seconded by Board Vice Chair Patterson, and carried by unanimous vote that Resolution No. R2012-12 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

OTHER BUSINESS

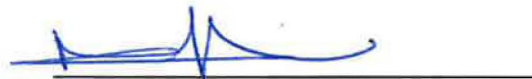
None.

NEXT MEETING

Thursday, July 12, 2012
1:30 to 4:00 p.m.
Ruth Fisher Boardroom

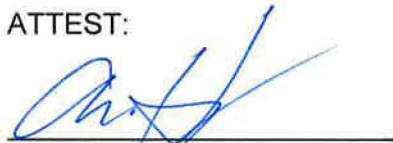
ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 4:11 p.m.



Fred Butler
Capital Committee Chair

ATTEST:



Alex Herzog
Board Coordinator

APPROVED on July 12, 2012, AH