

## **SOUND TRANSIT CAPITAL COMMITTEE MEETING**

### **Summary Minutes**

**August 11, 2016**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 1:37 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 Mayor*

#### Vice Chair

(P) *Pat McCarthy, Pierce County Executive*

#### Boardmembers

(A) *Nancy Backus, Auburn Mayor*

(A) *Claudia Balducci, King County Councilmember*

(P) *Dave Earling, Edmonds Mayor*

(P) *Rob Johnson, Seattle Councilmember*

(P) *John Marchione, Redmond Mayor*

(P) *Dave Upthegrove, King County Councilmember*

Jane Emerson, Board Coordinator, announced that there was not a quorum of the Committee present at roll call.

### **REPORT OF THE CHAIR**

Boardmember Marchione has asked to participate via phone. A supermajority positive vote of the Boardmembers in attendance is required. Since there was not a quorum present at this time, he stated that the action would be taken later in the meeting.

### **CEO REPORT**

#### Lynnwood Link Extension

Peter Rogoff, Chief Executive Officer, stated that at the July 28, 2016, Board meeting, Chair Butler requested staff report to the Capital Committee about the risk of inflation exceeding estimated rates for the Lynnwood Link Extension. He advised that staff is doing further analysis on this subject and will come to the September Capital Committee meeting with a report.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Paul W. Locke

(Boardmember Upthegrove arrived at this time.)

### **BOARD MEMBER REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE VIA PHONE**

Chair Butler noted that a quorum of the Capital Committee was now in attendance and the committee could take action to allow Boardmember Marchione to participate via phone.

**It was moved by Boardmember Johnson, seconded by Boardmember McCarthy, and carried by unanimous vote that Boardmember Marchione be allowed to participate in the Capital Committee meeting by telephone.**

## REPORTS TO THE COMMITTEE

### Federal Way Link Extension Briefing

Cathal Ridge, Light Rail Development Manager, gave the staff presentation. The Federal Way Link Extension is approximately eight miles long and runs from the Angle Lake station to the Federal Way Transit Center. The project has stations at Angle Lake, Kent/Des Moines, South 272nd, and the Federal Way Transit Center. ST2 authorized construction to South 272nd Station; however, the current funding capacity does not allow light rail expansion beyond Kent/Des Moines. The environmental work will extend to the Federal Way Transit Center.

The Final EIS is expected to be published late 2016, staff will ask the Board to select the project to be built approximately 30 days after the Final EIS is released, and a Record of Decision would be issued by the FTA in early 2017. The passage of ST3 would enable the project to proceed to the Federal Way Transit Center.

Mr. Ridge described the station concepts and challenges for each location. The recommendations were developed as part of the stakeholder process, which included the jurisdictions, Highline College, WSDOT, Chambers of Commerce, and King County Metro. For each station location, staff looked at access beyond the station location and provided recommendations to local jurisdictions and partner agencies.

The Federal Way Transit Center Station will maximize station access and transit-oriented development. The concept selected includes a parking garage with 400 spaces. Since it is an active transit center, the challenge will be to keep the center operating while the light rail facility is being built in the same location.

The Kent/Des Moines station will have a strong east/west connection to the college via a street that will be created as part of the project. The bus facility will be adjacent to the station. Interim parking could be made available for future TOD when the project is extended further south.

The South 272nd Station is a more constrained site. The station would be built within the existing Star Lake Park-and-Ride, which is currently surface parking. This location will be either a trench or elevated station with a parking structure. The trench station would go under South 272nd Street and under the Mark Twain Elementary School ballfield. Staff will return to the Board at the end of 2016 to present both options for consideration.

## BUSINESS ITEMS

### Item for Committee Final Action

#### Minutes of the July 14, 2016, Capital Committee Meeting

**It was moved by Boardmember Johnson, seconded by Committee Vice Chair McCarthy, and carried by unanimous vote that the July 14, 2016, Capital Committee minutes be approved as presented.**

**Motion No. M2016-86: Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a Supplement to the Memorandum of Agreement with the City of Seattle to reimburse the City for project-related services in support of Lynnwood Link Extension final design work in the amount of \$611,064, with a 10% contingency of \$61,110, for a total supplement amount not to exceed \$672,174.**

Fred Wilhelm, Project Director Lynnwood Link Extension, presented the staff report. The action would execute the tenth supplement to the 1998 Memorandum of Agreement with the City of Seattle for the Lynnwood Link Extension.

The Lynnwood Link Extension will occupy area within the City, including facilities directly in street rights-of-way. Under this Supplemental Agreement, City design review activities will support the issuance of the overarching project construction permits and involve Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT), Seattle Public Utilities, Seattle City Light, Seattle Fire Department, and any consultants to be retained by the City. SDOT will be the City's core team management for Lynnwood Link design review and will provide management, oversight, and coordination for project-related City activities.

**It was moved by Boardmember Johnson, seconded by Committee Vice Chair McCarthy, and carried by unanimous vote that Motion No. M2016-86 be approved as presented.**

Motion No. M2016-87: Authorizing the chief executive officer to increase the contingency for contract with voestalpine Nortrak, Inc. to provide an additional crossover track as part of the Tacoma Trestle Track & Signal project in the amount of \$324,000, for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$2,671,500.

Ken Lee, Senior Project Manager, stated that the action addresses a change order to add WSDOT-funded scope as a part of the ARRA-funded Northwest High Speed Intercity Passenger Rail Program, to include procurement of the crossover track materials. This procurement is consistent with the agreement and is fully funded and reimbursable by WSDOT.

The proposed action would ensure sufficient time for the manufacture and delivery of specialized track to meet milestones during the construction phase of the Tacoma Trestle Track & Signal project.

**It was moved by Committee Vice Chair McCarthy, seconded by Boardmember Johnson, and carried by unanimous vote that Motion No. M2016-87 be approved as presented.**

#### Items for Recommendation to the Board

Resolution No. R2016-21: Approving the chief executive officer's declarations that certain real properties acquired for the Airport Link, South 200th Link, and East Link Light Rail projects are surplus and no longer needed for a transit purpose.

Kevin Workman, Real Property Director, stated that the action would approve surplus declaration for 14 parcels. The parcels have been examined by the Real Property Utilization Committee to ensure they are no longer needed for Sound Transit purposes.

Boardmember Johnson asked about the East Link properties being sold before construction. Mr. Workman stated that the Bellevue properties are a mix of residential housing and vacant lots located in the Surrey Downs neighborhood. There is a setback requirement for the rail, which dictates that some houses can remain and some must be torn down and rebuilt. The residents of Surrey Downs prefer that people live in those residences during construction rather than have a row of vacant houses for several years. Following discussions with both the City of Bellevue and the residents of Surrey Downs, it was decided to sell the properties. When the properties are sold, an acknowledgement will be required from the buyers that they will be next to a construction zone for several years.

**It was moved by Boardmember Johnson, seconded by Boardmember Upthegrove, and carried by unanimous vote that Resolution No. R2016-21 be forwarded to the Board with a do pass recommendation.**

Motion No. M2016-88: Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a contract with Absher Construction Company to construct the Northgate Station, Elevated Guideway & Parking Garage within the Northgate Link Extension in the amount of \$174,000,000, with a 10% contingency of \$17,400,000, for a total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$191,400,000, subject to resolution of any timely protests and appeals.

Don Davis, Executive Project Director, and Ginger Ferguson, Construction Manager, presented the staff report. The action will provide for the construction of the Northgate Station. The work includes the construction of the station, elevated guideway, intermodal transit island, 450-stall parking garage, and site improvements. The contract scope may be modified at Sound Transit's direction to include a short segment for the Lynnwood Link Extension, a bus layover facility for King County Metro, and a protected bike lane along 1st Avenue NE.

Four bids were received and opened on July 1, 2016. Absher's bid was deemed the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. There was one protest received, which was denied on August 9, 2016. The appeal period ends August 16, 2016.

**It was moved by Committee Vice Chair McCarthy, seconded by Boardmember Earling, and carried by unanimous vote that Motion No. M2016-88 be forwarded to the Board with a do pass recommendation.**

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

None

## **NEXT MEETING**

Thursday, September 8, 2016

1:30 to 4:00 p.m.

Ruth Fisher Boardroom

## **ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

  
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Fred Butler  
Capital Committee Chair

ATTEST:

  
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Kathryn Flores  
Board Administrator

APPROVED on September 8, 2016. PS