Motion No. M2019-31

A motion of the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority directing staff to review and propose updates to Motion No. M98-67 by October 1, 2019.

Background

Sound Transit is authorized to plan, construct and permanently operate a high-capacity system of transportation infrastructure and services to meet regional public transportation needs in the Central Puget Sound Region.

Sound Transit light rail stations are not always built in locations with services or restrooms within reasonable distance to the station.

Sound Transit adopted Motion No. M98-67 to establish policy for station design issues with respect to public restrooms and that policy has not been reviewed or updated by the Board since adoption.

The Board is interested in understanding low- and no-cost opportunities to ensure access to public restrooms at future light rail stations, including increasing wayfinding to nearby restrooms, requiring leased retail facilities to provide access, and providing on-site restrooms.

Sound Transit is committed to the safety and needs of its passengers, particularly seniors, parents with young children, and those with disabilities, and recognizes that providing restrooms at light rail stations is a critical service.

Motion

It is hereby moved by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority that staff shall review and propose to the Board any recommended opportunities to increase access to public restrooms at future light rail stations or updates to Motion No. M98-67 by October 1, 2019. The report should include the following:

1. Evaluation of criteria established by Motion No. M98-67 including suggestions for actions to expand access to public restrooms at future light rail stations. Expanded access to evaluate includes:
   a. Prominent wayfinding to note location(s) of restrooms, either inside paid station area or outside of paid station area; and
   b. Allowing re-entry without additional payment if riders must leave paid area to access restrooms

2. Budget and proposed implementation plan for staff recommended changes.

APPROVED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on April 25, 2019.

Attest:

Kathryn Flores
Board Administrator