

## **SOUND TRANSIT**

### **RESOLUTION NO. R2005-05**

A RESOLUTION of the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority increasing fares for ST Express Bus service effective June 2005.

WHEREAS, a Regional Transit Authority, hereinafter referred to as Sound Transit, has been created for the Pierce, King, and Snohomish County region by action of their respective county councils pursuant to RCW 81.112.030; and

WHEREAS, on November 5, 1996, at a general election held within the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority district, the voters approved local funding for high capacity transit in the Central Puget Sound Region; and

WHEREAS, in Board Resolution No. R99-2, the Board established a fare policy and system of basic rates for fares for Sound Transit public transportation services effective with the commencement of Regional Express bus service and Sounder commuter rail service in 1999 ("Fare Policy"); and

WHEREAS, in Board Resolution No. R99-2-1, the Board amended portions of Sound Transit's Fare Policy including the addition of a proof of payment system for monitoring fare payment schedule of fines and penalties for civil infractions for non-payment of fares on Sound Transit rail services; and

WHEREAS, in Board Resolution No. 99-2-2, the Board amended Sound Transit's Fare Policy; and

WHEREAS, Sound Transit transportation service is funded through a mixture of tax revenues and service fees; and

WHEREAS, Sound Transit's financial projections assumed fares would keep pace with inflation; and

WHEREAS, Sound Transit has not changed its fares since the implementation of service in 1999, yet the Consumer Price Index has increased approximately 20% for the years 1999-2005; and

WHEREAS, the PugetPass transit agencies have agreed to set fares in 25-cent increments through the Regional Pass and Fare Reconciliation Program Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to increase fares for ST Express Bus service to reflect the 20% increase in the Consumer Price Index; and

WHEREAS, Sound Transit's bus fares are established in Board Resolution No. R99-2-2 Exhibit B; and

WHEREAS, Sound Transit has sought public comment for the potential fare increase in accord with Board Motion No. M2004-53; and


WHEREAS, Federal Transit Administration funding rules state that agencies shall charge senior and disabled riders no more than half of the adult fare;


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority that Exhibit B of Resolution No. R99-2-2 is hereby amended as attached, to reflect the following fare changes effective June 2005:

	<b>Adult</b>	<b>Youth</b>	<b>Senior or Disabled</b>
One zone	\$1.50	\$1.00	\$0.50
Two zone	\$2.50	\$1.75	\$1.25
Three zone	\$3.00	\$2.50	\$1.50

ADOPTED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on January 27, 2005.

ATTEST:

  
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Marcia Walker  
Board Administrator

  
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John W. Ladenburg  
Board Chair