

**Regional Transit Authority
Executive Committee Meeting Highlights**

June 19, 1998

Call to Order

1:40 by Board Vice-Chair Paul Miller.

Attendance

(A) Bob Drewel, Chair	(P) Greg Nickels
(P) Paul Miller, Vice Chair	(P) Paul Schell
(P) Dave Earling	(A) Ron Sims
(P) Mary Gates	(P) Cynthia Sullivan
(A) Jane Hague	(A) Doug Sutherland
(P) Richard McIver	

Report of the Chair

Mr. Miller stated that Executive Committee Chair, Bob Drewel, was vacationing and that he would be chairing the meeting.

Mr. Miller reported that the lease for the current ST headquarters had been cancelled and that the Union Station in downtown Seattle had been purchased by Sound Transit. He called on the Mr. Nickels, Finance Committee Chair, to report.

Mr. Nickels stated that the ST Real Estate Department had been working on finding permanent headquarters since January and that three sites had been considered. He stated that the Union Station was unanimously decided on at the June 18 Finance Committee Meeting. Mr. Bob White, Executive Director for ST, would sign the agreement on Monday, June 22, 1998. He went on to state that the station building would be ready for occupancy by January of 1999 and that by purchasing the site, Sound Transit would save \$10,000,000 over a ten-year period.

Mayor Paul Schell, City of Seattle, commented that this event was of very historical significance for the City.

Executive Director's Report

None.

Board member Travel: Per Resolution No. 98-7 – Travel by Board members on behalf of Sound Transit, requires approval by the Executive Committee

It was moved by Mr. Nickels, seconded by Ms. Gates and carried by a unanimous vote of all committee members present that travel by Board member, Richard McIver, to the Conference of Minority Transportation Officials National Meeting in Baltimore – July 8 through July 11 be approved.

Public Comment

Mr. Philip Grega commented on advertising in the Light Rail Tunnel. Comments are on file in the Board Administration Office.

Resolution No. R98-22 – Establishing Procedures for Revisions to Sound Move

Contact: Barbara Gilliland, Systems Integration Program Manager at 684-1630

Ms. Gilliland stated that today was the third time that the issue of revising Sound Move has been brought before board members. She also stated that members had used the criteria in Resolution No. R98-22 for the Lynnwood project, which reallocated \$2.5M from the Lynnwood Transit Center Park & Ride Connector project to the SR 99 Improvement Project for HOV lanes. She went on to state that changes would be made on a project by project basis and that money would not be taken away from already planned SM projects.

It was moved by Mr. Nickels, seconded by Mr. McIver and carried by a unanimous vote of all committee members present that Resolution No. R98-22 be moved to the full board for approval.

Motion No. M98-48 – Identifying the most promising route alternatives to be included in the Tacoma Link LRT Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) and during conceptual design for 1998

Contact: Valerie Rosenkrantz, LRT Project Development Manager at 689-3542

Ms. Sue Comis, LRT Project Manager, Tacoma Segment gave the Background and Comments for Motion No. M98-49 (copy on file).

It was moved by Mr. Nickels, seconded by Mr. McIver and carried by a unanimous vote of all committee members present that Motion No. M98-48 be moved to the full board for approval.

Motion No. M98-49 – Providing for a previously designated “for study only” option to be included in the Central Link LRT Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) and during conceptual design in 1998 as a promising route alternative

Contact: Mr. Paul Bay, Light Rail Director at 684-1591

Mr. Bay outlined the Background and Comments for Motion No. M98-49 (copy on file).

It was moved by Ms. Sullivan, seconded by Mr. McIver and carried by a unanimous vote of all committee members present that Motion No. M98-49 be moved to the full board for approval.

Next Meeting

Friday, July 17, 1998, from 1:30 to 3:00 at the Sound Transit Conference Room, 1100 2nd Avenue, Suite 400, Seattle, WA.

As there was no other business, Mr. Miller adjourned the meeting at 2:05 p.m.

Recorded by Bernie Wagar
Board Administrative Assistant