

**Sound Transit  
Board Meeting Summary Minutes  
January 13, 2000**

**Call to Order**

Board Chair Dave Earling called the meeting to order at 2:40 p.m. in the Sound Transit board room at Union Station, 401 South Jackson, Seattle, Washington.

**Roll Call**

Chair

(P) Dave Earling, City of Edmonds Councilmember

Vice Chairs

(P) Greg Nickels, King County Councilmember

(P) Doug Sutherland, Pierce County Executive

Board Members

(P) Ann Davis, City of Lakewood Councilmember

(P) Bob Drewel, Snohomish County Executive

(P) David Enslow, City of Sumner Councilmember

(P) Mary Gates, City of Federal Way Councilmember

(P) Jane Hague, King County Councilmember

(P) Ed Hansen, City of Everett Mayor

(P) Richard McIver, City of Seattle Councilmember

(P) Rob McKenna, King County Councilmember

(P) Renee Montgelas, representing Sid Morrison, WSDOT Secretary

(A) Paul Schell, City of Seattle Mayor

(A) Ron Sims, King County Executive

(P) Cynthia Sullivan, King County Councilmember

(A) Jim White, City of Kent Mayor

Marcia Walker, Board Administrator, indicated a quorum of the Board was present.

**Public Comment**

The following individuals presented comments to the Board:

Mr. Stephen Antupit, Strategic Planning Office, City of Seattle

Mr. Mark Dublin, 3015 NW Market, Seattle

Comments are on file with the Board Administrator.

**Report of the Chair**

Mr. Earling reported that the agenda had been revised in that Motion No. M99-86, which would authorize the reallocation of funds from the Lynnwood Transit Center/Park-and-Ride Connector Project to the Lynnwood Transit Center Project, had been deferred to a future meeting. Additionally, Mr. Earling

indicated that Motion No. M2000-05, which would select the station locations and corridor improvements to be built for the Everett to Seattle commuter rail project had been added to the agenda (item 7A). Finally, the two action items that had originally been listed under "Finance Committee Recommendations" - Motion No. M2000-01 and M2000-02, were on the agenda in error. He stated that the Finance Committee had already taken action on these two items and that no Board action was needed.

Mr. Earling gave an update on the legislative efforts currently underway. He reported that he and Mr. Drewel had met with Mr. McDonald, Mr. Inslee and Ms. Dunn. Meetings with both senators and the rest of the Congressional delegation were being scheduled.

In the state legislature, Mr. Earling reported that work had begun on the sales tax credit. He stated that there are some challenges to undertake, but the initial reaction has been good. Sound Transit would also be seeking authority on an owner-controlled insurance program.

Mr. Earling concluded by saying that he hoped to have Board members more actively lobbying both in Washington, D.C. and in Olympia this year. He stated that he would be calling on Board members from time to time for assistance.

### **Executive Director Report**

Mr. White reported that the next day, staff would be holding a large meeting with the consultant community. Over 125 firms had signed up to come learn about the Link final design program. The contracts will be advertised for award over the next two quarters, and staff wanted to give consultants an opportunity to hear how the program had been designed.

Mr. White reported that networking sessions had been designed so that small, local and minority/women/disadvantaged business enterprises (M/W/DBEs) would have a chance to do some networking. As the agency enters into final design on Link light rail, there will be an opportunity to see if contract packages can be designed to give local and small businesses a chance at getting a very good share of the work.

Mr. White continued to say that the consultant meeting would be combined with a public meeting on the revised DBE program. Late last year the federal government issued new regulations. Sound Transit has revised its administrative procedures to implement them, remaining consistent with the Board's guiding principals adopted previously.

### **Consent Agenda**

Minutes of September 23, 1999 and October 14, 1999

The Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority does hereby approve the voucher certification for the period August through October 31, 1999, totaling \$80,790,004.06

**It was moved by Ms. Davis, seconded by Ms. Gates and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented.**

## Action Items

### Motion No. M2000-05 - Selecting the station locations and corridor improvements to be built for the Everett-to-Seattle Commuter Rail Project

Mr. Barry Hennelly, Sounder Commuter Rail Project Manager, indicated that Motion No. M2000-05 was identical to the Board's action in November, when the Board identified a preferred alternative and corridor improvements for the Everett to Seattle commuter rail project. He explained that Motion No. M2000-05 is a necessary formality in order for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to complete the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) process on the project and to issue a Record of Decision.

Mr. Hennelly indicated that Sound Transit had been contacted by the City of Shoreline with a request that the Board not identify a preferred station location at this time, and that it handle the Shoreline station location in the same manner that it did the Ballard station. He referred Board members to a proposed amendment (copy on file). The City of Shoreline requested that the Board look at a station site at Point Wells. Mr. Hennelly indicated that there are certain jurisdictional issues yet to be resolved with that location.

The Town of Woodway has extended its boundary down to cover a couple of hundred feet of access road into Point Wells so it effectively blocks movement of Shoreline traffic to the Point Wells site. The Point Wells jurisdiction is within Snohomish County. From a technical standpoint, Point Wells is a good site with few environmental issues. The City of Shoreline has asked Sound Transit to look at, or leave open, the possibility that the Metro pumping station site could be considered in the future. Mr. Hennelly stated that the City of Shoreline did not want Sound Transit to look at Richmond Beach Saltwater Park, because the City has environmental concerns with that site.

Mr. Hansen asked if the amendment is being proposed by the City of Shoreline.

Mr. Hennelly responded that the City of Shoreline is amenable to the proposed amendment.

**It was moved by Mr. Nickels and seconded by Mr. Drewel that Motion No. M2000-05 be approved as presented.**

**It was moved by Mr. Hansen, seconded by Mr. Drewel and carried by unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion No. M2000-05 be amended, removing the current station selection of Alternative 4b as the preferred site, and instead state that: "No Shoreline station is identified as preferred at this time. Future consideration for a station at this site will be limited to Alternatives 4b and 4c. Shoreline is included in Sound Move as a provisional station."**

**The motion to approve Motion No. M2000-05, as amended, was carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present.**

### Executive Committee Recommendations

Resolution No. R2000-01 - Acquisition of certain Real Property interests, including temporary construction easements, by Purchase or Condemnation, and payment of eligible relocation and re-establishment benefits to affected parties for Pacific Avenue Overpass (Everett) Regional Express Project

**It was moved by Mr. Nickels, seconded by Mr. Hansen and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. R2000-01 be approved as presented.**

Motion No. M2000-04 - Adoption of the revised responsibilities for the Board's committees and task forces

Mr. Earling indicated that approval of this motion would reorganize responsibilities of the Board's committees, and would add a task force for the Link light rail project, which Mr. McIver had volunteered to chair. It would also eliminate the Public and Government Affairs Committee and move parts of its responsibilities to the Executive Committee. The government review functions would go to a new task force, which would be chaired by Mr. Drewel.

**It was moved by Mr. Nickels, seconded by Ms. Davis and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. M2000-04 be approved as presented.**

### Transit-Oriented Development Subcommittee Recommendations

Resolution No. R99-35 - Adopting the Real Property Disposition Policy, Procedures and Guidelines for the disposition of surplus real property

**It was moved by Ms. Sullivan, seconded by Mr. Enslow and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. R99-35 be approved as presented.**

### Committee Reports

#### TOD Subcommittee

Ms. Sullivan gave special recognition to the TOD staff, including Ms. Jeri Cranney, Real Estate Manager, and Ms. Alyce Conti, Transit Oriented Development Project Manager.

#### Finance Committee

Mr. Nickels reported that the Finance Committee has no action items to present today. At its January 6 meeting, the Committee reviewed and approved three motions:

- ◆ Motion No. M2000-03 authorizing the Executive Director to pool \$2.6 million for a current temporary employment services contract.
- ◆ Motion No. M2000-01 authorizing the Executive Director to execute a change order for \$188,000 to

an existing final engineering agreement with Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) for surface elements of the Boeing Access Road station located in their right-of-way.

- ◆ Motion No. M2000-02 authorizes the Executive Director to execute an amendment to a final engineering agreement with BNSF for \$254,000 for additional work.

Mr. Nickels stated that both Motion No. M2000-01 and M2000-02 could be funded from the existing final design budgets in the commuter rail budget.

#### Executive Committee

Mr. Earling reported that the Executive Committee discussed projects to be funded through the research and technology funds. He stated that both the Executive and Finance Committees would be considering motions on this subject next week.

In addition, Mr. Earling indicated that staff would be contacting Board members to schedule a half-day Board retreat.

#### Other Business

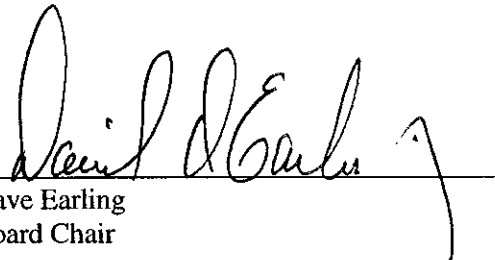
None.

#### Next Meeting


Thursday, January 27, 2000, from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Union Station Board Room.

#### Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 3:07 p.m.

  
Dave Earling  
Board Chair

ATTEST:

  
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Marcia Walker  
Board Administrator