

**Sound Transit Board Meeting  
Summary Minutes  
June 13, 2002**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1:09 p.m. by Chair Ron Sims in the Sound Transit Board Room of Union Station, 401 South Jackson, Seattle, Washington.

**Roll Call**

Chair

(P) Ron Sims, King County Executive

Vice Chairs

(P) David Earling, Edmonds City Council President

(A) John Ladenburg, Pierce County Executive

**Board Members**

(P) Jack Crawford, City of Kenmore Councilmember

(P) Bob Drewel, Snohomish County Executive

(P) David Enslow, City of Sumner Councilmember

(A) Mary Gates, City of Federal Way Councilmember

(P) Jane Hague, King County Councilmember

(A) Ed Hansen, City of Everett Mayor

(P) Doug MacDonald, WSDOT Secretary

(P) Richard McIver, City of Seattle Councilmember

(P) Chuck Mosher, City of Bellevue Councilmember

(P) Greg Nickels, City of Seattle Mayor

(P) Julia Patterson, King County Councilmember

(P) Dwight Pelz, King County Councilmember

(P) Kevin Phelps, City of Tacoma Councilmember

(P) Cynthia Sullivan, King County Council Chair

(P) Claudia Thomas, City of Lakewood Deputy Mayor

Ms. Marcia Walker, Board Administrator, indicated a quorum of the Board was present at roll call.

The following Board members arrived after roll call:

Bob Drewel

Jane Hague

Doug MacDonald

Richard McIver

Julia Patterson

Dwight Pelz

**Public Comment**

The following individuals presented comments to the Board. Comments are on file with the Board Administrator.

**Mr. Mark Dublin** suggested converting I-90 to two-way transit rather than putting in HOV lanes.

(Ms. Patterson and Mr. MacDonald arrived at this time.)

**Mr. Philip Grega** spoke about joint use of the Downtown Seattle Transit Tunnel and the importance of providing schedules at the stations.

**Report of the Chair**

Mr. Sims stated that the King County Transportation Committee voted to approve the E-3 Busway Agreement and the Downtown Seattle Transit Tunnel Agreement at its June 12, 2002, meeting.

Mr. Earling urged individual Board members to take a position on Referendum 51.

### **Executive Director Report**

Ms. Earl updated the Board on her travel to Baltimore and Washington D.C. She stated that she and Dave Earling attended the American Public Transit Association conference. In conjunction with the conference, she went to Washington D.C. and met with the Inspector General of the United States Department of Transportation, the staff person for the House Appropriation Committee, Senators Cantwell and Murray, and delegation members to brief them on the Link Light Rail project.

(Ms. Hague arrived at this time.)

### **Consent Agenda**

#### Minutes from the May 9, 2002, Board Meeting

Motion No. M2002-48 – Adopting the policy guidelines for interactions with Sound Transit's partner agencies as permits are applied for, evaluated, and obtained in order to implement Sound Move.

Motion No. M2002-76 – Authorizing the Executive Director to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Issaquah to fulfill Sound Transit's commitment, as expressed in Sound Move, regarding the use of new tax revenue from newly annexed areas.

Motion No. M2002-77 – Approving the agreement between the City of Seattle and Sound Transit for grant of non-exclusive use of a light rail transit way as related to the Central Link Light Rail Project.

Motion No. M2002-63 – Authorizing the Executive Director to execute an agreement with the University of Washington to provide environmental and design assistance for the North Link SEIS project in the amount of \$250,000 plus a 10% contingency of \$25,000 for a total authorized amount not to exceed \$275,000.

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

### **Action Items**

#### Items not Referred by Committee

Motion No. M2002-78 – Authorizing the Executive Director to submit an application for a Full Funding Grant Agreement to the Federal Transit Administration for the capital construction of the Initial Segment of Central Link Light Rail.

Mr. Ahmad Fazel, Link Light Rail Director, and Mr. Ric Ilgenfritz, Chief Communications Officer, presented Motion No. M2002-78.

Mr. Fazel advised the Board that Sound Transit was prepared to submit a full funding grant agreement (FFGA) to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) in the amount of \$500 million for the implementation of the initial segment for Link Light Rail.

Mr. Ilgenfritz described the approval process stating that the goal would be to get the application to Congress by September, with execution by the end of the year, putting Sound Transit in a position to receive funding in the fiscal year 2004 budget.

**It was moved by Mr. Nickels, seconded by Mr. Crawford, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion No. M2002-78 be approved as presented.**

Items Referred by Finance Committee

Motion No. M2002-65 – Authorizing the Executive Director to execute a Memorandum of Agreement among Sound Transit, King County, and the City of Seattle defining the terms and conditions to permit the joint operations of trains and buses in the Downtown Seattle Transit Tunnel.

**It was moved by Mr. Phelps and seconded by Mr. Mosher that Motion No. M2002-65 be approved as presented.**

Mr. Nickels offered the following amendment to Section 12.2.a of the tunnel agreement.

“If either the County or Sound Transit determines that, as a result of operational problems in the Tunnel, including but not limited to, those arising from increased train operation, fewer total bus trips can be accommodated in the Tunnel, representatives from the County and Sound Transit shall meet, and after conferring with the City, said County and Sound Transit representatives shall determine the number of County bus trips to be removed.”

(Mr. McIver arrived at this time.)

**It was moved by Mr. Nickels, seconded by Mr. Pelz, and carried by unanimous vote of all Board members present that the motion to amend Section 12.2.a of the tunnel agreement be approved as presented.**

(Mr. Drewel arrived at this time.)

**The motion to approve Motion No. M2002-65 was carried by the majority vote of all Board members present. (Mr. McIver voted in the minority.)**

Motion No. M2002-58 – Adopting the Regional Fund Task Force recommendations

**It was moved by Ms. Sullivan, seconded by Mr. Drewel, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion No. M2002-58 be approved as presented.**

Motion No. M2002-72 – Authorizing the Executive Director to negotiate and execute an umbrella agreement with WSDOT for construction administration of Sound Transit projects to be constructed on WSDOT right-of-ways in accordance with key provisions

**It was moved by Mr. Phelps and seconded by Mr. Nickels that Motion No. M2002-72 be approved as presented.**

Mr. Nickels offered an amendment adding the following words:

“It is further moved that the Executive Director is directed through her designees to negotiate additional agreements or amendments to existing agreements with WSDOT for the purpose of resolving outstanding issues critical for the on-time, on-budget delivery of the Sound Transit program. These issues to be negotiated shall include, but are not limited to the following:

- Provide for HOV speed and reliability standards and monitoring in accordance with the 1997 Memorandum of Understanding and Sound Move, which calls for an agreement to be negotiate regarding mutually acceptable HOV speed and reliability standards.
- Provide a process for determining impacts, costs and reimbursements for the value of any Sound Transit funded improvements and for the adjustment of Land Bank credits in the event the improvement is converted to State general purpose use.
- Resolve issues regarding potential restrictions on Link Light Rail use of state highway right of way; and

- Provide for an agreement to meet the continuing control requirements of federal funding agencies.

The Executive Director shall present proposed agreements to the Sound Transit Board for approval no later than January 2003.”

**It was moved by Mr. Nickels, seconded by Mr. McIver, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that that the amendment be approved as presented.**

**The motion to approve Motion No. M2002-72, as amended, was carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present.**

Resolution No. R99-2-2 – Superseding Resolution No. R99-2-1, Sound Transit’s Fare Policy.

**It was moved by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Mr. Mosher, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. R99-2-2 be approved as presented.**

Resolution No. R2002-10 – Amending Sound Transit’s existing narrative boundary description to replace references to outdated precinct references and to include the annexed City of Issaquah narrative boundary description.

**It was moved by Mr. Mosher, seconded by Mr. Drewel and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. R2002-10 be approved as presented.**

### **Committee Reports**

#### Executive Committee

Mr. Sims reported on the June 6, 2002, Executive Committee meeting. He advised that in addition to the action items referred to the Board, the Executive Committee received an update on the Mercer Island park-and-ride project, the fare integration program, and the Sound Transit art program. Staff was asked to return with information on the flow of riders, contribution by partner agencies, and a status on the Smart Card. The arts program policy was discussed with the consensus of the members to keep the current policy in place.

#### Finance Committee

Mr. Phelps reported that at the June 6, 2002, Finance Committee, they were joined by the City of Seattle’s Transportation Committee to discuss the community development fund plan.

The Finance Committee took action of the following items that were within its authority: Motion No. M2002-74 – executing a contract with David Evans and Associates for Engineering Services for the Kirkland Transit Enhancement and Willows Projects.; Motion No. M2002-75 – executing options to extend the term of the existing contract with Roy F. Weston for on-call Geographic Information Systems (GIS) services for an additional two years; Motion No. M2002-53 – executing a contract with Sabre Communications Corporation for the design and manufacture of 21 steel poles and anchor bolt cages along the east side of the E-3 Busway; Motion No. M2002-54 – executing a contract with RW Rhine for site preparation for the central maintenance facilities; and Motion No. M2002-73 – executing a contract amendment with Berger/Abam Engineers Inc. to provide final design services for Contract RTA/LR 110-99, Segment D720.

### **Other Business**

None.

**Next Meeting**

Thursday, June 27, 2002  
1:00 to 4:00 p.m.  
Snohomish Public Utility District  
Everett, Washington

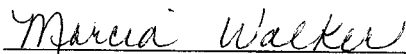
**Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:28 p.m.



Ron Sims  
Board Chair

ATTEST:



Marcia Walker  
Board Administrator