# Sound Transit Board Meeting Summary Minutes October 10, 2002

## Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:13 p.m. by Vice Chair John Ladenburg in the Sound Transit Board Room, 401 S. Jackson, Seattle, Washington.

# Roll Call

#### Chair

(P) Ron Sims, King County Executive

### Vice Chairs

- (P) Dave Earling, Edmonds City Council President
- (P) John Ladenburg, Pierce County Executive

### **Board Members**

- (P) Jack Crawford, City of Kenmore Councilmember
- (P) Bob Drewel, Snohomish County Executive
- (A) David Enslow, City of Sumner Councilmember
- (P) Mary Gates, City of Federal Way Councilmember
- (A) Jane Hague, King County Councilmember
- (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) Mark Olson, City of Everett Councilmember
- (A) Julia Patterson, King County Councilmember
- (A) 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.

The following Board members arrived after roll call:

Ron Sims Mark Olson

## **Public Comment**

None.

(Board members Sims and Olson arrived at this time)

# Report of the Chair

Mr. Ladenburg turned the meeting over to Chair Sims at this time.

Mr. Sims stated that he would give his report later in the meeting. He also stated that the Board was working from a revised agenda. He further stated that the Board Meeting would adjourn into a workshop setting prior to the 2003 budget discussion.

# **Executive Director's Report**

Ms. Earl reported that the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) quarterly meeting had been held. She also reported on the service for the third Sounder train between Tacoma and Seattle.

## Action Items

Motion No. M2002-99 – A motion of the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority adopting the recommendations of the oversight stakeholders group chaired by Board Member Bob Drewel; establishing a Performance Audit Committee; and directing the Executive Director to facilitate the implementation of the Performance Audit Committee's activities.

It was moved by Mr. Phelps, seconded by Mr. Mosher and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion No. M2002-99 be approved as presented.

Items Referred by Finance Committee

Motion No. M2002-109 – A motion of the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority to authorize the Executive Director to enter into an interlocal agreement with the City of Tacoma for the reconstruction of a sanitary sewer line near Reservation Junction in Tacoma upon appropriate environmental review, with Sound Transit contributing \$900,000 through Sound Transit's existing capital agreement with Burlington Northern Santa Fe and \$500,000 in additional funds for a total amount not to exceed \$1,400,000

It was moved by Mr. Phelps, seconded by Mr. Mosher and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion No. M2002-109 be approved as presented.

Motion No. M2002-111 – A motion of the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority authorizing the Executive Director to execute such agreements as are customary and necessary to settle Key Bank's reasonable relocation planning and leasing expenses, including payments to Swedish Hospital, Key Bank's landlord at their replacement site on First Hill, in a total amount not to exceed \$380,000

It was moved by Mr. Phelps, seconded by Mr. Ladenburg and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion No. M2002-111 be approved as presented.

Resolution No. R2002-16 – Authorizing the Executive Director to execute an interim service agreement with the Community Development Fund (CDF), adopting a budget for that interim agreement through December 31, 2002 in an amount not to exceed \$196,130, and authorizing the Executive Director to begin negotiations with the CDF incorporated as the Rainier Valley Community Development Fund for a long-term service agreement to be executed by December 31, 2002

It was moved by Mr. Phelps and seconded by Mr. Crawford that Resolution No. R2002-16 be approved as presented.

Mr. Nickels acknowledged the great work done by Sound Transit staff, City of Seattle staff, the steering committee, and the founding Board members of the Community Development Fund.

The motion to approve Resolution No. R2002-16 was carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present.

# Report of the Chair

Mr. Sims reported that at the last Executive Committee meeting, he was asked to bring two items to the Board. The first item is a recommendation that Ms. Walker receive a 2% base pay increase and an individual lump sum award of 2%. He recognized her professionalism and commitment to the excellence of Sound Transit and thanked her on behalf of the Board.

It was moved by Mr. Sims and seconded by Mr. Ladenburg and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Ms. Walker receive a 2% base pay increase and a 2% lump sum award.

Mr. Sims explained that prior to the last Executive Committee meeting, Ms. Earl sent him an email expressing how, personally, she would not welcome an action to recommend a pay increase for her position, and the reasons why.

Mr. Sims explained that the Executive Committee regretfully acquiesced to Ms. Earl's preference. He sent an e-mail to the Sound Transit staff conveying what was talked about in the Executive Committee, which is the Board's complete support and faith in the exemplary, outstanding work of Ms. Earl as Executive Director of Sound Transit.

Board members recognized Ms. Earl for outstanding leadership, integrity, commitment, professionalism, dedication, and confidence. They expressed an interest to reconsider the decision in the future.

# **Committee Reports**

## **Executive Committee**

Mr. Sims reported that the Executive Committee had concluded its report.

## Finance Committee

Mr. Phelps reported that the Finance Committee adopted Motion No. M2002-113, a contract with Adolphson for additional environmental biological assessment required to monitor water effects for five years; Motion No. M2002-114, a three-year agreement with Prospect Delta (Kathy Elias) for COP independent staff assistance; and Motion No. M2002-115, an extension with Karl Haberl, consultant for project control system.

Mr. Crawford recognized Ms. Kathy Elias for her excellent work and stated that the Committee was pleased to renew her contract.

### **Executive Session**

Mr. Desmond Brown, Legal Counsel, advised that the Board would convene an executive session for the discussion of contract negotiations. He said that the executive session was expected to last 20 minutes, at which time the Board would reconvene the meeting.

Mr. Sims stated that no action would be taken following the Executive Session.

The Board was recessed into executive session at 1:50 p.m.

The Board reconvened in open session at 2:14 p.m.

# **Next Meeting**

Thursday, October 24, 2002 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Union Station Board Room Seattle, Washington

# <u>Adjourn</u>

The Board was called back to order and adjourned at 2:16 p.m.

Ron Sims **Board Chair** 

ATTEST:

**Board Administrator**