

**SOUND TRANSIT
STAFF REPORT**

MOTION NO. M2003-112

**Agreement with Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT)
Authorizing Final Design for the Eastgate Direct Access Project**

Meeting:	Date:	Type of Action:	Staff Contact:	Phone:
Finance Committee	11/6/03	Discussion/Possible Action	Jim Edwards, Chief Engineer, Regional Express Vicki Youngs, Program Manager, Regional Express Paul T. Cornish, Project Manager, Regional Express	(206) 398-5436 (206) 398-5024 (206) 398-5342

Contract/Agreement Type:	✓	Requested Action:	✓
Competitive Procurement		Execute New Contract/Agreement	✓
Sole Source		Amend Existing Contract/Agreement	
Interlocal Agreement	✓	Contingency Funds Required	
Purchase/Sale Agreement		Budget Amendment Required	

✓ *Applicable to proposed transaction.*

OBJECTIVE OF ACTION

To complete final design services for the Eastgate Direct Access Project (#160).

ACTION

Authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to execute Task Order #3 for Agreement GCA 3536 with the Washington State Department of Transportation for final design services for the Eastgate Direct Access Project (#160) in an amount of \$2,381,898, with a contingency of \$238,190, for a total authorized Task Order #3 in an amount not to exceed \$2,620,088.

KEY FEATURES

- Authorize an agreement with Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) to perform final design services. WSDOT will enter into separate consultant agreements for professional support services to complete this effort. WSDOT's scope of work is \$623,473 and the consultant team scope of work is \$1,758,426.
- Outlines the scope of work for the Eastgate Direct Access Project including permits, 60%, 90% and 100% reviews.
- Provides an update on schedule and milestones including the SEPA environmental documentation.

- The Eastgate Direct Access Ramps will be eligible for federal construction funding with the completion of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process. A draft Documented Categorical Exclusion has been prepared and will be submitted to the approving agencies.

BUDGET IMPACT SUMMARY

Project Description: Eastgate Transit Access/142nd Ave SE.

Current Status: In Preliminary Engineering.

Projected Completion Date: 2nd quarter 2007.

Action Outside of Adopted Budget:	Y/N	Y Requires Comment
This Line of Business	N	
This Project	N	
This Phase	Y	This action will result in a shortfall of \$268k in the final design phase of the project. Funding will be restructured in the proposed 2004 budget to more closely align budget to project phase activity.
This Task	N	
Budget amendment required	N	
Key Financial Indicators:	Y/N	Y Requires Comment
Contingency funds required	Y	Sufficient unallocated project contingency is available to fund this action.
Subarea impacts	N	
Funding required from other parties other than what is already assumed in financial plan	N	

N = Action is assumed in current Board-adopted budget. Requires no budget action or adjustment to financial plan

BUDGET DISCUSSION

The 2003 adopted budget for the final design phase of this project is \$2,352,130. This action for \$2,620,088, together with previous commitments, will result in a phase budget shortfall of \$268,427. The project contingency phase contains sufficient budget to fund this action without jeopardizing any other project elements. Consistent with the Sound Transit Board budget policies, the phase shortfall relative to the current adopted budget will be depicted as a negative variance. The proposed 2004 budget would correct the negative variance.

REVENUE, SUBAREA, AND FINANCIAL PLAN IMPACTS

The proposed action is consistent with the current Board-adopted project budget and is affordable within Sound Transit’s current long-term financial plan and the subarea financial capacity.

BUDGET TABLE

Action Item: WSDOT Agreement for Final Design for the Eastgate Transit Access Project (#160)

	2003 Adopted Budget (A)	Committed To Date (B)	This Action (C)	Total Committed & Action (D)	Uncommitted (Shortfall) (E)
Agency Administration	\$ 2,426	\$ 1,982	\$ -	\$ 1,982	\$ 444
Preliminary Engineering	2,169	2,609	-	2,609	(440)
Final Design	2,352	0.5	2,620	2,621	(268)
Right of Way	375	-		-	375
Construction	29,167	234	-	234	28,933
Contingency	2,419	-	-	-	2,419
Total Current Budget	\$ 38,908	\$ 4,826	\$ 2,620	\$ 7,447	\$ 31,462

Phase Budget Detail - Final Design

Design Work	\$ 2,352	\$ 0.5	\$ 2,620	\$ 2,621	\$ (268)
Total Phase	\$ 2,352	\$ 0	\$ 2,620	\$ 2,621	\$ (268)

Contract Budget	Current Approved Contract Value (F)	Spent to Date (G)	Proposed Action (H)	Proposed Total Contract Value (I)
WSDOT	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,382	\$ 2,382
Contingency	-	-	238	238
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,620	\$ 2,620
Percent Contingency Remaining	0%		10%	10%

Budget Shortfall

Level	\$ (J)	Potential Revenues (K)	Funding Source (L)
Preliminary Engineering Phase	\$ (268)	\$ 268	Contingency phase

Note: Commitments include actual payments, commitments and contract contingency as of October 14, 2003. Project budget is shown on page 184 of the Adopted 2003 Budget and on page 154 of the Proposed 2004 Budget.

M/W/DBE – SMALL BUSINESS PARTICIPATION

Because the project will be constructed within the WSDOT right-of-way, WSDOT will serve as lead for final design services. WSDOT has identified an M/W/DBE goal of 17%. The consultant team is committed to maintain to a workforce reflective of our local region.

HISTORY OF PROJECT

Prior Board or Committee Actions and Relevant Board Policies

Motion or Resolution Number	Summary of Action	Date of Action
M2003-53	Execute an amendment to the existing WSDOT agreement for the preliminary engineering and environmental documentation of the Eastgate HOV Direct Access Ramp.	5/15/03
M2000-54	Execute a contract with WSDOT for the preliminary engineering and environmental documentation for Eastgate Direct Access Project.	07/6/00
M2000-53	Execute a contract with HNTB for the preliminary engineering and environmental documentation for Eastgate Direct Access Project.	07/6/00

The I-90 at Eastgate Direct Access project provides for the construction of a direct access ramp serving the Eastgate Park-and-Ride Lot. It is intended to provide convenient transit access between the I-90 HOV lanes and the Eastgate Park-and-Ride Lot via the 142nd Place SE bridge and connecting streets increasing transit speed and reliability. In July 2000, the Finance Committee authorized entering into agreements with WSDOT and HNTB for the preliminary engineering and environmental documentation for the direct access project.

In March 2003, an agreement was reached with the City of Bellevue and WSDOT to construct a transit-only direct access project that will not preclude future widening of the 142nd Place SE bridge or negatively impact connecting roadways. As detailed in Staff Report for Motion No. M2003-53, this alternative eliminates widening of the 142nd Place SE bridge as part of Sound Transit's project and is expected to greatly reduce the need for local roadway improvements.

A SEPA checklist was prepared for this project and a Determination of Non Significance (DNS) was issued by Sound Transit's Environmental Compliance Manager on October 10, 2003. Any comments, if received, will be responded to as necessary by Sound Transit. The appeal period is anticipated to close on October 31, 2003.

The scope of work for Task Order #3 includes development of final design documents necessary for advertisement and award of a construction contract. Specific services will include the following:

- Permits and approvals
- Preliminary design (60% complete)
- Complete design submittal and constructability review (90% complete)
- Final submittal (100% complete)

Sound Transit will continue to coordinate with the City of Bellevue, King County Metro, and WSDOT through the design of this project.

Staff intends to the Finance Committee to seek authorization of construction funds in the Spring of 2005.

CONSEQUENCES OF DELAY

A delay in this action past November could significantly delay the project schedule.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Sound Transit will continue to conduct an extensive community outreach effort to include stakeholder meetings, newsletters, open houses and workshops, and Web site updates. To date, two newsletters have been mailed and two open houses were conducted including one in conjunction with King County Metro at the Eastgate Park-and-Ride Lot. Additionally, staff has provided updates at numerous City of Bellevue Council Meetings that are open to the public.

Community outreach for the design and permitting of this project will focus on transit users, surrounding businesses, and local officials in the design of the project. Outreach will focus on establishing programming needs, providing options for community reaction, and providing feedback to enable user needs and community input to shape the ultimate design.

LEGAL REVIEW

MB 10-16-03

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Background:

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Motion:

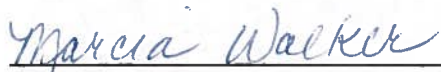
It is hereby moved by the Finance Committee of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority that the Chief Executive Officer is authorized to execute Task Order #3 for Agreement GCA 3536 with the Washington State Department of Transportation for final design services for the Eastgate Direct Access Project (#160) in an amount of \$2,381,898, with a contingency of \$238,190, for a total authorized Task Order #3 in an amount not to exceed \$2,620,088.

APPROVED by the Finance Committee of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on November 6, 2003.



Kevin Phelps
Finance Committee Chair

ATTEST:



Marcia Walker
Board Administrator