

**Sound Transit Special Board Meeting  
Summary Minutes  
December 17, 2003**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Chair Ron Sims in the Sound Transit Board Room, 401 S. Jackson Street, 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

(P) Jack Crawford, Kenmore City Councilmember

(P) Bob Drewel, Snohomish County Executive

(P) David Enslow, Sumner City Councilmember

(P) Mary Gates, Federal Way City Councilmember

(A) Jane Hague, King County Councilmember

(A) Doug MacDonald, WSDOT Secretary

(P) Richard Mclver, Seattle City Councilmember

(P) Chuck Mosher, Bellevue City Councilmember

(P) Greg Nickels, City of Seattle Mayor

(P) Mark Olson, Everett City Councilmember

(P) Julia Patterson, King County Councilmember

(P) Dwight Pelz, King County Councilmember

(P) Kevin Phelps, Tacoma City 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, during public comment (listed in order of arrival):

Richard Mclver

Cynthia Sullivan

**Public Comment**

Mr. Warren Yi, expressed support the action before the Board that will bring Sounder service from Everett to Seattle.

**Report of the Chair**

Mr. Sims recognized outgoing Board member Chuck Mosher. He presented Mr. Mosher with framed photographs of the Bellevue Transit Center and thanked him for his hard work and representation of East King County.

(Board member Mclver arrived at this time.)

Mr. Mosher expressed his appreciation to his fellow Board members, Ms. Earl, and the staff for an exceptional job and reminded them to keep working toward the vision.

(Board member Sullivan arrived at this time.)

### **Chief Executive Officer's Report**

Ms. Joni Earl stated that with the resignation of Ms. Joann Francis, Chief Administrative Officer, she was appointing Ms. Agnes Govern as the Interim Chief Administrative Officer and Ms. Gloria Overgaard will take on the role of Acting Regional Express Director.

Ms. Earl stated that with the contract award for Link light rail vehicles, 26 of the 28 milestones set for 2003 have now been achieved.

### **Executive Session**

At 10:43 a.m. the Board convened a 15-minute executive session.

Mr. Desmond Brown, Chief Legal Council, stated that the issues to be discussed were contract negotiations and acquisition of real estate which are appropriate for an executive session according to RCW 42.30.110 Sections D and B.

The Board reconvened in open session at 11:03 a.m.

### **Action Items**

Mr. Sims took this opportunity to thank Mr. Rick Weicher from Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) for the quality of his work during the negotiations with BNSF.

Mr. Sims stated that for the purposes of staff and Board discussion, Mr. Marty Minkoff, Sounder Commuter Rail Director, would present the staff report for all eight action items before the Board.

Mr. Minkoff stated that with approval of the action items before the Board, the documents would be executed between BNSF and Sound Transit that afternoon. With the executive of the documents, a train would begin operating between Everett and Seattle on Monday, December 22, 2003. The first special event train would be a Seahawks service train on Sunday, December 21, 2003.

Resolution No. R2003-22 – Authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute a Purchase and Sale Agreement between the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority and the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Company for the purchase of real property interests required for Everett to Seattle Commuter Rail Service

**It was moved by Mr. Drewel, seconded by Mr. Earling, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. R2003-22 be approved as presented.**

Motion No. M2003-130 – Authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute a Joint Use Agreement between the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority and the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Company for Everett to Seattle Commuter Rail Easements

**It was moved by Mr. Olson, seconded by Mr. Drewel, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion No. M2003-130 be approved as presented.**

Motion No. M2003-131 – Authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute a Commuter Rail Service Agreement between the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority and the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Company for Everett to Seattle Commuter Rail Services

**It was moved by Mr. Earling, seconded by Mr. Drewel, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion No. M2003-131 be approved as presented.**

Resolution No. R2003-23 – Authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute a Purchase and Sale Agreement between the Central Puget Sound Transit Authority and the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Company for the purchase of real property interests required for Sounder Commuter Rail Lakewood and South Tacoma station parcels

**It was moved by Ms. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Ladenburg, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. R2003-23 be approved as presented.**

Resolution No. R2003-24 – Authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute a Purchase and Sale Agreement between the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority and the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Company for the purchase of real property interests required for Sounder Commuter Rail service from Lakewood to Tacoma

**It was moved by Mr. Ladenburg, seconded by Mr. Phelps, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. R2003-24 be approved as presented.**

Resolution No. R2003-25 – Authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute a Purchase and Sale Agreement between the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority and the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Company for the purchase of real property interests required for Sounder Commuter Rail service from Nisqually to Lakewood

**It was moved by Mr. Enslow, seconded by Mr. Ladenburg, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Resolution No. R2003-25 be approved as presented.**

Motion No. M2003-135 – Authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute a Joint Use Agreement between the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority and the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Company for Tacoma to Nisqually Railroad right-of-way and properties

**It was moved by Mr. Phelps, seconded by Mr. Ladenburg, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion No. M2003-135 be approved as presented.**

Motion No. M2003-136 – Authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute a First Amendment to the Commuter Rail Service Agreement between the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority and the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Company

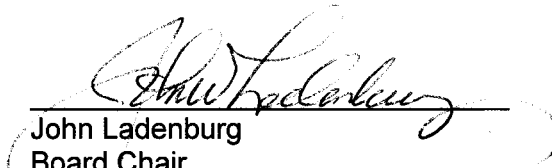
It was moved by Ms. Gates, seconded by Mr. Ladenburg, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion No. M2003-136 be approved as presented.

**Next Meeting**


Thursday, January 15, 2004  
1:00 to 4:00 p.m.  
Union Station Board Room  
Seattle, Washington

**Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

  
John Ladenburg  
Board Chair

ATTEST:

  
Marcia Walker  
Board Administrator