

SOUND TRANSIT BOARD MEETING
Summary Minutes
April 22, 2004

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:12 p.m. by Chair John Ladenburg in the Sound Transit Board Room, 401 South Jackson Street, Seattle, Washington.

Roll Call

Chair

(P) John Ladenburg, Pierce County Executive

Vice Chairs

(P) Greg Nickels, City of Seattle Mayor

(P) Mark Olson, Everett City Councilmember

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| (P) Fred Butler, Issaquah Deputy Council President | (P) Kevin Phelps, Tacoma City Councilmember |
| (P) Jack Crawford, Kenmore City Councilmember | (P) Larry Phillips, King County Council Chair |
| (P) David Enslow, Sumner City Councilmember | (P) Aaron Reardon, Snohomish County Executive |
| (A) Doug MacDonald, WSDOT Secretary | (P) Ron Sims, King County Executive |
| (P) Connie Marshall, City of Bellevue Mayor | (P) Claudia Thomas, Lakewood City Councilmember |
| (A) Richard McIver, Seattle City Councilmember | (P) Pete von Reichbauer, King County Council Vice Chair |
| (P) Julia Patterson, King County Councilmember | |
| (P) Dwight Pelz, King County Councilmember | |

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

The following Board members arrived after roll call:

Greg Nickels (teleconference)
Mark Olson (teleconference)
Dwight Pelz (teleconference)
Aaron Reardon
Ron Sims
Pete von Reichbauer (teleconference)

Public Comment

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

Mr. Don Gerend, City of Sammamish Deputy Mayor

(Board member Reardon arrived at this time.)

Mr. Charles Hamilton, Capitol Hill Chamber of Commerce President
Mr. Jerry Pederson, Seattle University
Ms. Maureen McCarry, representing Harborview Medical Center
Mr. Jim Kelley, Vulcan, Inc.
Ms. Illeny Maaza, Capitol Hill Community Council

Mr. Richard Borkowski, People for Modern Transit
Mr. John Fulton, Beacon Hill Chamber of Commerce and North Beacon Hill Council

Report of the Chair

Mr. Ladenburg announced that four Board members, Mayor Nickels, Councilmember Pelz, Councilmember von Reichbauer, and Councilmember Olson, were away from the region due to official business and wished to participate in the meeting by telephone. He stated that the Board's operating rules allow members to attend meetings by teleconference. Procedurally, Board members' requests to attend by teleconference are acted on by motion prior to consideration of action items and require a two-thirds affirmative vote of the members who are physically in attendance, which is seven.

It was moved by Mr. Phelps, seconded by Mr. Enslow, and carried by the unanimous vote of the ten members present that Mr. Nickels, Mr. Pelz, Mr. von Reichbauer, and Mr. Olson be allowed to participate in the meeting by teleconference.

(Board members Nickels, Olson, Pelz, and von Reichbauer joined the meeting by teleconference at this time.)

Mr. Ladenburg asked Ms. Walker to read into record a letter from Mr. Arlington Carter, an original member of the Citizen Oversight Panel whose term had recently expired (copy on file).

Mr. Ladenburg advised the Board that included in their packets was a report from Mr. Ray Gould, Chair of the Performance Audit Committee, which provides an update on the work of the committee (copy on file).

Chief Executive Officer Report

Ms. Earl stated that the Puget Sound Radio Broadcasters Association held its annual "Soundies" award presentation. Sound Transit was a finalist for two radio ads and won for the tailgating ad.

(Board member Sims arrived at this time.)

Consent Agenda

Minutes of the March 25, 2004, Sound Transit Board meeting
Voucher Certification for March 16 through March 31, 2004

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

Action Item

Item Referred by Finance Committee

Resolution No. R2004-05 – Amending the Adopted 2004 Budget by transferring the surplus lifetime capital budget of \$8 million from the Administration Phase and \$12 million from the Construction Phase of the Central Link Light Rail Initial Segment Project to the Final Design Phase of the project

Mr. Ladenburg advised that approval of Resolution No. R2004-05 would require an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the membership of the Board, which is twelve.

It was moved by Mr. Phelps, seconded by Mr. Crawford, and carried by the unanimous vote of the fifteen Board members present that Resolution No. R2004-05 be approved as presented.

Preliminary Identification of the North Link Light Rail Preferred Alignment

Mr. Ladenburg began the discussion by explaining that the preliminary identification of the North Link Light Rail preferred alignment was not before the Board as an action item. He stated that the intent was to go through the process to narrow the choices by consensus. He said that the action identifying the preferred alignment for preliminary engineering would come before the Board for a vote at the May 20, 2004, Board meeting.

Mr. Ladenburg called on Mr. Richard Conlin, Seattle City Councilmember, who represented the Seattle Transportation Committee.

Mr. Conlin stated that the Seattle City Council had adopted a resolution expressing its preferences for North Link (copy on file). Included in the resolution were recommendations for the First Hill route, the modified Montlake route, the Brooklyn station either north or south, and 12th Avenue for the Roosevelt route.

Mr. Conlin advised that the Council did not have a consensus on Capitol Hill station site. He stated that concerning the ventilation site, the Seattle City Council recommends considering other sites or deferring the decision until preliminary engineering has been completed.

Mr. Ron Endlich, North Link Corridor Project Manager, presented the route and station options by segment.

By consensus, the Board narrowed the choices for inclusion in its preliminary identification of the North Link preferred alignment:

Convention Place Station to Ship Canal Segment

- Capital Hill through First Hill route
- Nagle station site

Ship Canal to University District Segment

- Modified Montlake route
- Brooklyn station north and Brooklyn station south sites
- Montlake vent site – the grocery store with possible improvements

University District to Northgate Segment

- Include both the 12th Avenue and 8th Avenue routes

Committee Reports

Central Link Oversight Committee

Ms. Thomas stated that at the April 15, 2004, Central Link Oversight Committee meeting, the members heard an update on construction and community outreach activities for the initial segment. The committee also received a report on Airport Link from both the Port of Seattle and Sound Transit staff. The committee discussed fare collection and the regional Smart Card system.

Finance Committee

Mr. Crawford reported that at the April 15, 2004, Finance Committee meeting, a workshop was held on contingency management. The committee approved Motion No. M2004-37, executing a contract amendment with KPFF to provide additional environmental documentation and preliminary engineering services for the Issaquah Transit Center project, with structured parking as the preferred alternative.

Other Business

None.

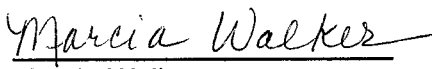
Next Meeting

Thursday, May 20, 2004
1:00 to 3:00 p.m.
Union Station Board Room
Seattle, Washington

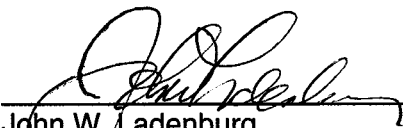
Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 3:13 p.m.

ATTEST:



Marcia Walker
Board Administrator



John W. Ladenburg
Board Chair