

## **SOUND TRANSIT**

### **MOTION NO. M2004-112**

A motion of the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority to provide the Chief Executive Officer with direction regarding the North Link Segment of Central Link Light Rail to (1) expedite the evaluation and identification of either the 8th Avenue NE or 12th Avenue NE alignment as the preferred route through the Roosevelt neighborhood for a Board decision in January 2005; (2) explore alternative locations for station facilities and construction staging for the Roosevelt Station at 12th Avenue NE; and (3) conduct an appraisal of the property located at 1026 NE 65th Street.

#### **Background:**

To build and operate a high capacity transit system consisting of commuter rail service, light rail service, a program of regional bus service, HOV improvements, and park-and-ride lot facilities throughout the Central Puget Sound region, it is necessary for Sound Transit to acquire real property. Sound Transit's authorizing legislation grants the agency the power of eminent domain to accomplish such acquisitions.

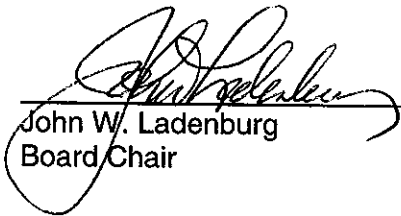
On May 20, 2004, the Sound Transit Board identified the First Hill to Modified Montlake alternative as its preferred North Link alternative and directed staff to complete the final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS). At that time, the Board identified two alternative routes through the Roosevelt area: continuing in a tunnel to a cut-and-cover station in the Roosevelt neighborhood near 12th Avenue NE and NE 65th Street or continuing in a tunnel to a portal near Ravenna Boulevard NE and an elevated station west of 8th Avenue NE and south of NE 65th Street.

On October 28, 2004, the Board of Directors deferred action on certain real estate protective acquisitions to allow for the evaluation of alternative locations for station facilities and construction staging for the 12th Avenue NE alternative for the Roosevelt station. Staff was directed to return to the Board within an 8 to 10 week timeframe with an evaluation of several issues regarding the identification of either the 8th Avenue NE or 12th Avenue NE alignment as the preferred route for consideration by the Board. Staff was also directed to conduct an appraisal of the property at 1026 NE 65<sup>th</sup> Street.

#### **Motion:**

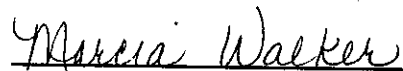
It is hereby moved by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority that the Chief Executive Officer is directed to carry out the following actions regarding the North Link Segment of Central Link Light Rail: (1) expedite the evaluation and identification of either the 8th Avenue NE or 12th Avenue NE alignment as the preferred route through the Roosevelt neighborhood for a Board decision in January 2005; (2) explore alternative locations for station facilities and construction staging for the Roosevelt Station at 12th Avenue NE; and (3) conduct an appraisal of the property located at 1026 NE 65th Street.

APPROVED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on October 28, 2004.



John W. Ladenburg  
Board Chair

ATTEST:



Marcia Walker  
Board Administrator