

**SOUND TRANSIT  
STAFF REPORT**

**MOTION NO. M2004-43**

**Appointment to the Citizen Oversight Panel**

<b>Meeting:</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>Type of Action:</b>	<b>Staff Contact:</b>	<b>Phone:</b>
Executive Committee	5/6/04	Discussion/Possible Action to Recommend Board Approval Action	<b>Paul Matsuoka, Policy and Planning Officer</b>	206-398-5070
Board	5/20/04			

**OBJECTIVE OF ACTION**

To provide for one new appointment to the Citizen Oversight Panel.

**ACTION**

Appointment of Mary McCumber from the Seattle/North King County subarea to the Citizen Oversight Panel for a term of four years, beginning May 2004 and expiring May 2008.

**KEY FEATURES**

This new appointment fulfills the active recruitment for the four vacancies resulting from two panel members whose terms expired and two panel members who resigned. The Sound Transit Board filled the three other vacancies at its April 8, 2004, meeting.

**BUDGET IMPACT SUMMARY**

There is no action outside of the Board-adopted budget; there are no contingency funds required, no subarea impacts, or funding required from other parties other than what is already assumed in the financial plan.

**BUDGET DISCUSSION**

There would be no budget impact as a result of the appointment of the new Citizen Oversight Panel (COP) member.

**REVENUE, SUBAREA, AND FINANCIAL PLAN IMPACTS**

Not applicable to this action.

**BUDGET TABLE**

Not applicable to this action.

**M/W/DBE – SMALL BUSINESS PARTICIPATION**

Not applicable to this action.

## **HISTORY OF PROJECT**

The Sound Transit Board and the COP have been actively recruiting four new members. On January 28, 2004, a press release went to more than 150 media outlets around the region. In addition, informational materials were mailed to community leaders, the Sound Transit Board, and current COP members. The recruiting documents were also posted on the Sound Transit website.

When a vacancy arises on the panel, every attempt is made to fill it with an individual whose skills, experience, and demographic characteristics maintain the panel's geographic balance and diversity. COP members must live or work in the Sound Transit district and be registered voters within the district.

On April 8, 2004, the Sound Transit Board filled three of the four vacancies, one of the appointments fulfilled the subarea requirement to appoint one person from Seattle/North King County. The remaining appointment can be from among the remaining subareas, depending on the experience and skills desired.

### **Prior Board or Committee Actions and Relevant Board Policies**

<b>Motion or Resolution Number</b>	<b>Summary of Action</b>	<b>Date of Action</b>
M2004-35	Appointments of Paul W. Masten, Kevin Grossman, and Jessyn Schor to the Citizen Oversight Panel	4/8/04
M2002-87	Authority regarding the terms of Citizen Oversight Panel members	7/11/02
Motion 18	Committing to the establishment of a citizen oversight panel	12/13/96

## **CONSEQUENCES OF DELAY**

If the Board delayed this appointment, the Citizen Oversight Panel would have a vacancy, reducing the current membership from 15 to 14. Not appointing a new member in a timely manner will leave a vacancy adversely affecting the panel's ability to fully perform its function.

## **PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT**

Not applicable to this action.

## **LEGAL REVIEW**

DLB 4-27-04

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**Background:**

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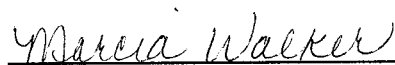
**Motion:**

It is hereby moved by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority appointing Mary McCumber to the Citizen Oversight Panel for a term of four years beginning May 2004 and expiring May 2008.

APPROVED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on May 20, 2004.

  
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John W. Ladenburg  
Board/Chair

ATTEST:

  
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Marcia Walker  
Board Administrator