

**SOUND TRANSIT  
STAFF REPORT**

**MOTION NO. M2004-55**

**Extension of Current ST Express Bus Service Agreements**

<b>Meeting:</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>Type of Action:</b>	<b>Staff Contact:</b>	<b>Phone:</b>
Finance Committee	06/17/04	Discussion/Possible Action to Recommend Board Approval Action	Agnes Govern, Director, REX/Sounder Capital Projects	(206)398-5037
Board	06/24/04		<b>Mike Bergman, Program Manager, Transportation Services</b>	(206)398-5358
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<b>Contract/Agreement Type:</b>	✓	<b>Requested Action:</b>	✓
Competitive Procurement		Execute New Contract/Agreement	
Sole Source		Amend Existing Contract/Agreement	✓
Interagency Agreement	✓	Contingency Funds (Budget) Required	
Purchase/Sale Agreement		Budget Amendment Required	

✓ *Applicable to proposed transaction.*

**OBJECTIVE OF ACTION**

Extend the current ST Express bus service interagency agreements through December 31, 2004.

**ACTION**

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to extend the existing interagency service agreements with Community Transit, King County Metro, and Pierce Transit through December 31, 2004.

**KEY FEATURES**

The current interagency agreements for the operation and maintenance of ST Express bus service expire on September 25, 2004. This action would authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute amendments to the current agreements extending them through December 31, 2004.

**BUDGET DISCUSSION**

The Adopted 2003 Service Implementation Plan, the Adopted 2004 Budget, and the Financial Plan have sufficient resources to cover the estimated purchased transportation costs from September 25, 2004, through December 31, 2004. The total estimated cost for the final three months of 2004 is \$12,018,000.

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

The proposed action is consistent with the Adopted 2004 Budget and is affordable within Sound Transit's current long-term Financial Plan and the financial capacity of the subareas. Each of

the subareas, South King, East King, Snohomish, and Pierce, will pay their subarea share for the costs of the Regional Express bus service.

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

Not applicable for this transaction.

**HISTORY OF PROJECT**

**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>
M2003-22	Directed staff to negotiate with the existing providers for Regional Express bus service using the contract approach outlined in the motion.	03/13/03
R99-30	Authorized the CEO to execute an Operations and Maintenance Agreement for Regional Express bus service with King County Metro.	07/26/99
M99-4	Authorized the allocation of Regional Express bus routes to the partners.	01/28/99
R99-12	Authorized the CEO to execute an Operations and Maintenance Agreements for Regional Express bus service with Pierce Transit and Community Transit.	04/22/99
R98-31	Authorized staff to negotiate operations and maintenance agreements for Regional Express bus service with Community Transit, King County Metro and Pierce Transit.	07/23/98

The current interagency agreements with Community Transit, King County Metro, and Pierce Transit for the operation and maintenance of ST Express buses expire on September 25, 2004. In 2003, the Board directed staff to negotiate new service agreements with the existing transit agency partners. The proposed new agreements change the compensation methodology and reporting requirements. The parties need additional time to prepare for these changed responsibilities. It will also be less complicated in the future for the change to occur at the start of a new budget year. Staff is requesting that the current five-year agreements be extended from September 25, 2004, through December 31, 2004.

**CONSEQUENCES OF DELAY**

The current Agreements expire on September 25, 2004, and without Board authorization to extend them through 2004, service cannot be operated.

**PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT**

Not applicable for this action.

**LEGAL REVIEW**

JW 5-14-04

**SOUND TRANSIT**

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A motion of the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to extend the Interagency Agreements with Community Transit, King County Metro, and Pierce Transit for Regional Express Bus Service Operations and Maintenance from September 25, 2004, through December 31, 2004.


**Background:**

Regional Express buses are operated and maintained by Community Transit, King County Metro, and Pierce Transit under interagency agreements with Sound Transit executed in 1999. The agreements expire on September 25, 2004. As part of the transition process for the new five-year agreements, staff is requesting that the current agreements be extended through December 31, 2004. The new agreements change the compensation methodology and reporting requirements, and the parties need additional time to prepare for these changed responsibilities. It will also be less complicated in the future for the change to occur at the start of a new budget year. The Adopted 2003 Service Implementation Plan, the Adopted 2004 Budget, and the Financial Plan have sufficient resources to cover the estimated purchased transportation costs through the remainder of the year. The total estimated cost for the final three months of 2004 is \$12,018,000.

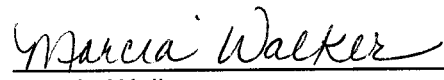
**Motion:**

It is hereby moved by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority that the Chief Executive Officer is authorized to extend the Interagency Agreements with Community Transit, King County Metro, and Pierce Transit for Regional Express Bus Service Operations and Maintenance from September 25, 2004, through December 31, 2004.

APPROVED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on June 24, 2004.

  
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John W. Ladenburg  
Board Chair

ATTEST:

  
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Marcia Walker  
Board Administrator