

**SOUND TRANSIT
STAFF REPORT**

MOTION NO. M2005-39

Citizen Oversight Panel Nominations

Meeting:	Date:	Type of Action:	Staff Contact:	Phone:
Executive Committee Board	4/7/05 4/14/05	Cancelled Discussion/Possible Action	Paul Matsuoka, Chief Policy & Planning Officer	(206) 398-5070

ACTION

Approves the appointment of two new Citizen Oversight Panel members Paul Wiesner, MD and John Murtha, of the North King County subarea for a term of four years, beginning April 2005 and expiring April 2009. These new appointments are to replace two former members who resigned their terms in December 2004.

KEY FEATURES

Fills two vacancies on the Citizen Oversight Panel.

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 is no budget impact as a result of the appointment of these two new Citizen Oversight Panel members.

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

Prior Board or Committee Actions and Relevant Board Policies

Motion or Resolution Number	Summary of Action	Date of Action
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

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CONSEQUENCES OF DELAY

The Citizen Oversight Panel has two vacancies and operating with 13 instead of the required 15. Timely nominating new members will insure a full panel enabling them to equitably distribute the tasks to sufficiently represent the community.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Not applicable to this action.

LEGAL REVIEW

JW 4/01/05

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A motion of the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority approving the appointment of Paul Wiesner, MD and John Murtha of North King County subarea, to the Citizen Oversight Panel to a term of four years each, beginning April 2005 and expiring April 2009.

Background:

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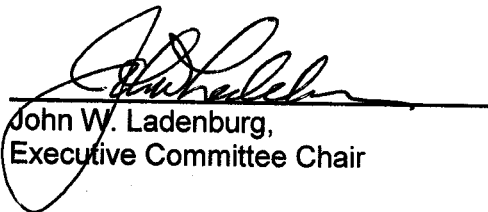
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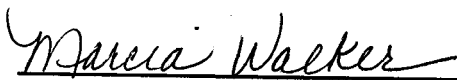
Motion:

It is hereby moved by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority that Paul Wiesner, MD and John Murtha of the North King County subarea be appointed to the Citizen Oversight Panel for a term of four years beginning April 2005 and expiring April 2009.

APPROVED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on April 14, 2005.


John W. Ladenburg,
Executive Committee Chair

ATTEST:



Marcia Walker
Board Administrator