SOUND TRANSIT FINANCE COMMITTEE Summary Minutes July 20, 2006

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:03 p.m. by Chair Fred Butler in the Ruth Fisher Board Room, 401 South Jackson Street, Seattle, Washington.

Roll Call

<u>Chair</u>

(P) Fred Butler, Issaquah Councilmember

Vice-Chair

(A) Julie Anderson, Tacoma Councilmember

(A) Mary-Alyce Burleigh, Kirkland Councilmember

(P) Dow Constantine, King Co. Councilmember

(P) Dave Enslow, Sumner Mayor

(P) Richard Marin, Edmonds Councilmember

(P) Richard McIver, Seattle Councilmember

(P) Pete von Reichbauer, King Co. Councilmember

Jason Suzaka, Board Coordinator, announced that a quorum of the committee was present at roll call.

Report of the Chair

None.

Chief Financial Officer's Report

Hugh Simpson, Chief Financial Officer, announced that staff will be discussing the asset liability management program with the committee in August; focusing on debt issuance and the planned swap transaction. He answered questions regarding interest rates and the current economic climate.

Discussion Item

Diversity Program Contracting Performance Report

Alec Stephens, Diversity Program Manager, gave the staff presentation. Sound Transit is looking into partnering with other local agencies to begin disparity and availability studies in order to continue to use "race-conscious specific DBE goals in contracts." These studies are required in order to comply with recent court decisions handed down by the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals. It is hoped that the goal(s) of the studies will be submitted to the Federal Transit Administration by the end of the year.

Chair Butler reported that the CCCJ Task Force met earlier this week; both he and Board member McIver are members of the task force. Chair Butler also reminded committee members and the general public that a Diversity Oversight Committee was created by the Board at its last meeting.

Mr. Stephens gave further details on Court of Appeals decisions regarding the use of M/W/DBE goals.

Items within Finance Committee Authority for Final Action

Minutes of the June 15, 2006 Finance Committee Meeting

It was moved by Board member Marin, seconded by Board member McIver, and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present, that the June 15, 2006 minutes be approved as presented.

Minutes of the July 6, 2006 Finance Committee Meeting

It was moved by Board member Marin, seconded by Board member McIver, and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present, that the July 6, 2006 minutes be approved as presented.

Motion No. M2006-56 – Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a contract amendment with Herrera Environmental Consultants to provide technical on-call environmental services for projects on an as-needed basis in the amount of \$650,000 for a new total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$1,514,000

Chris Townsend, Project Manager, presented the staff report.

Public Comment

None.

It was moved by Board member Marin, seconded by Board member McIver, and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present, that Motion No. M2006-56 be approved as presented.

Motion No. M2006-57 – Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a contract amendment with Rene` Ewing & Associates, LLC to provide additional performance measurement consulting services in the amount of \$50,000, for a new authorized contract amount not to exceed \$343,295

Hamid Qaasim, Interim Project Delivery Support Services Director, presented the staff report.

Chair Butler asked for a briefing on what the Performance Management System will do for the agency. Mr. Simpson gave details on how the system will be integrated into the 2007 budget planning process. Later this year, staff will give a presentation on the system.

Public Comment

None.

It was moved by Board member Marin, seconded by Board member McIver, and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present, that Motion No. M2006-57 be approved as presented.

Motion No. M2006-58 – Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a contract amendment with KBA, Inc. to (1) provide construction management services for the Everett Station project in the amount of \$371,541, with a contingency of \$78,871, totaling \$450,412, and the Layover project in the amount of \$31,008; and (2) exercise a contract option to provide construction management services for the Mukilteo Station project in the amount of \$280,652, with a 10% contingency of \$28,065, totaling \$308,717, for a new total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$1,571,137

Jerry Dahl, Construction Project Manager, presented the staff report. Mr. Dahl explained that the increase in construction management services is due in part to changes in the law which lowered the acceptable levels of arsenic in the soil. The project had been in compliance up until the law changed; those changes required extra time and money to remove the contaminated soil and put the project back into compliance.

Board member McIver emphasized that the increased construction costs are due to changes in law, not the fault of Sound Transit.

Public Comment

None.

It was moved by Board member Marin, seconded by Board member Enslow, and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present, that Motion No. M2006-58 be approved as presented.

Next Meeting:

Thursday, August 3, 2006, 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., Ruth Fisher Board Room, 401 South Jackson Street, Seattle WA.

Adjourn

There was no other business; the meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

Fred Butler

Finance Committee Chair

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