

SOUND TRANSIT BOARD MEETING
Summary Minutes
November 9, 2006

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:14 p.m. by Chair John Ladenburg, in the Ruth Fisher Boardroom, 401 South Jackson Street, Seattle, Washington.

Roll Call

Chair

(P) John Ladenburg, Pierce County Executive

Vice Chairs

(A) Connie Marshall, Bellevue City Councilmember

(P) Mark Olson, Everett City Councilmember

(P) Julie Anderson, Tacoma City Councilmember

(P) Mary-Alyce Burleigh, Kirkland City Councilmember

(P) Fred Butler, Issaquah Council President

(P) Dow Constantine, King County Councilmember

(P) David Enslow, City of Sumner Mayor

(P) Doug MacDonald, WSDOT Secretary

(P) Richard Marin, Edmonds City Councilmember

(P) Richard McIver, Seattle City Councilmember

(P) Greg Nickels, City of Seattle Mayor

(A) Julia Patterson, King County Councilmember

(P) Larry Phillips, King County Council Chair

(A) Aaron Reardon, Snohomish County Executive

(P) Ron Sims, King County Executive

(P) Claudia Thomas, City of Lakewood Mayor

(P) Pete von Reichbauer, King County Council Vice Chair

Ms. Marcia Walker, Board Administrator, stated a quorum of the Board was present at roll call.

Report of the Chair

Mr. Ladenburg reported that the Board would receive briefings about updated costs and inflation information on ST2 and on East Link EIS Alternative Screening.

Chief Executive Officer's Report

Ms. Earl recognized Board member Richard Marin announcing his recent appointment as Board Chair of Community Transit. She also described the knowledge she gained about transit oriented development during her recent trip to the RailVolution Conference in Chicago, Illinois.

She announced the agency milestone celebrating Sound Transit's 10-year anniversary of a successful vote on November 5, 1996. She recognized Board member Greg Nickels as an original Board member, and one of the longest serving members to serve on the Sound Transit Board. She also identified agency growth statistics in staff, service, and projects during those 10 years.

Public Comment

Mr. Ladenburg announced that the Board would take public comment on Sound Transit 2, pending adoption of the draft plan, in addition to the usual practice of only taking public comment on action items. The public who provided comment are as follows:

Paul W. Locke

ST2 Updated Costs and Inflation for Sample Investment Options

Mr. Ric Ilgenfritz, Chief Communication's Officer introduced staff who presented a high-level summary of the ST2 planning work accomplished since July 2006. Mr. Paul Matsuoka, Chief Policy & Planning Officer summarized technical information, analyzing risks associated with the three system options for ST2, which are: Bus Rail Option, Medium Rail Option and Maximized Rail Option. He also described how the system options are affected by the 1.3x regional debt service coverage ratio. Mr. Matsuoka stated that the risk assessment work is underway and staff will present that information to the Board at the Workshop on November 30, 2006. He distributed a list of policy choices for the Board to consider when directing staff in formulating a draft ST2 Plan. A copy is on file with the Board Administrator. Following discussion Chair Ladenburg directed staff to set aside further analysis of the Bus Rail Option.

East Link EIS Alternatives Screening

Mr. Mike Williams, Link Program Development Manager and Mr. Don Billen, Link Project Manager presented a briefing on the screening analysis of the Link light rail alternatives currently under consideration in the east corridor. Mr. Billen explained cost, ridership, construction risk, and the type of design impacts that characterize each alternative. He also described results of the public scoping process for the impending Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), anticipating a published draft in the first half of 2008 with the final EIS to be completed in 2009.

Consent Agenda

Voucher Certification – September 1, 2006 through September 15, 2006 totaling \$15,800,355.59.
Voucher Certification – September 16, 2006 through September 30, 2006 totaling \$31,894,933.00.
Voucher Certification – October 1, 2006 through October 15, 2006 totaling \$33,171,571.25.
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It was moved by Mr. Marin, seconded by Mr. Butler, and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that the consent agenda be approved as presented.

Action Items

Items forwarded by the Finance Committee

Motion No. M2006-77 - Authorizing the chief executive officer to amend the transit-oriented development agreement with the City of Federal Way by extending the construction start deadline for the East TOD Property located adjacent to the Federal Way Transit Center by two years to 2013

It was moved by Mr. Butler, seconded by Ms. Anderson, and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that Motion No. M2006-77 be approved as presented.

Motion No. M2006-78 - Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a contract with Northlink Transit Partners, Joint Venture to provide civil engineering and architectural final design services for the University Link project for a total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$38,883,635 with final design work subject to Federal Transit Administration final design approval

Ms. Earl recognized Northlink Transit Partners, Joint Venture Board member, Richard Page and Dan Adams, Project Manager and the new University Link Project Director, John Harrison.

It was moved by Mr. Butler, seconded by Ms. Anderson, and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that Motion No. M2006-78 be approved as presented.

Item not referred by Committee

Motion No. M2006-79 - Adopting the Sound Transit 2007 State Legislative Program and directs staff to continue to evaluate issues for impact to the agency as it continues to successfully implement the regional transportation system

Ms. Ann McNeil, Government Relations Manager and Melanie Smith, State Relations Specialist presented Sound Transit's agenda for the 2007 State Legislative session. After Board discussion, Mr. Ladenburg directed staff to prepare draft language to add to the legislative agenda to promote utilization of minority women and disadvantaged businesses in construction projects, planning and technical work.

It was moved by Mr. Marin, seconded by Ms. Burleigh, and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that Motion No. M2006-79 be approved as presented.

Ms. Thomas made a motion to temporarily suspend the Board's rules and operating procedures to hold an election of officers since the Executive Committee did not hold a November meeting. In support of her request to elect Chair Ladenburg for a one-year term from January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007, Ms. Thomas specified the need for continuity of the Board membership as the ST2 Plan is developed to bring to the ballot in November 2007.

Mr. Ladenburg announced that Resolution 1-1 prescribes that the rules may be temporarily suspended by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Board members in attendance, to facilitate consideration of an action by the Board in the event of emergencies or other special circumstances.

It was moved by Ms. Thomas, seconded by Ms. Marshall, and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that the rules be temporarily suspended.

The Board's rules and operating procedures require Secretary of Transportation, Doug MacDonald, to chair the part of the meeting for the election of officers. Chair Ladenburg turned the meeting over to Secretary MacDonald.

Secretary MacDonald asked for nominations for Board Chair for a one year term. Ms. Thomas nominated John Ladenburg as Chair of the Sound Transit Board. There being no further nominations, Mr. Nickels moved that the nominations be closed.

It was moved by Ms. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Marin, and carried by unanimous vote of all members present to elect John Ladenburg to serve a one-year term as Chair.

Executive Session

Chair Ladenburg announced that the Board would convene a 35-minute executive session. He requested Mr. Desmond Brown, Chief Counsel to advise that the executive session is in accordance with Washington state law. Mr. Brown stated that the purpose of the executive session is to discuss the performance of a publicly bid contract and to discuss with the Board, actions which may have legal consequences if they result in litigation and that it is appropriate under several sections of RCW 42.30.110. Mr. Ladenburg announced that upon conclusion of the executive session the Board would hear committee reports. No action would be considered. At 2:40 p.m. Mr. Ladenburg adjourned for Executive Session.

Mr. Ladenburg reconvened the meeting at 3:10 p.m.

Committee Reports

Finance Committee

Mr. Butler reported on actions taken by the Finance Committee at its November 2, 2006 meeting. The Committee approved a contract with CA Carey Corporation to provide for construction of the Reservation Junction to Frieghthouse Square Phase 3 Remediation project in the approximate amount \$3,000,000 with a 10% contingency and the assurance that Phase 3 was the last phase of that remediation work. The Committee also directed staff to conduct a high-level analysis of the recently proposed Concept B and Concept F alignments for the D Street to M Street project concurrent with Modified Alternative 2 engineering study and a feasibility study concurrently underway at a cost not to exceed \$30,000. He announced the next meeting scheduled for November 16, 2006.

Central Link Oversight Committee (CLOC)

Mr. Phillips announced testing of two new Link light rail vehicles, one of which is located at the maintenance facility. He announced the next CLOC meeting would occur on November 16, 2006.

Other Business

Mr. Ladenburg reminded the Board of the ST2 Workshop scheduled for Thursday, November 30, 2006 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the Ruth Fisher Boardroom.

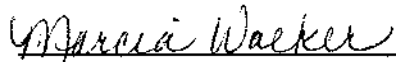
Next Meeting


Thursday December 14, 2006
1:00 to 4:00 p.m.
Ruth Fisher Boardroom

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 3:53 p.m.

ATTEST:


Marcia Walker
Marcia Walker
Board Administrator

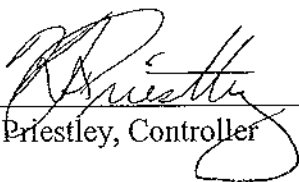

John W. Ladenburg
Board Chair

**Regional Transit Authority
Voucher Certification Approval
September 15, 2006**

Auditing Officer Certification

I, the undersigned, certify under penalty of perjury that the expenses listed below represent claims that were just, due, and paid obligations against the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority, and further that I am authorized to authenticate and certify said claims paid through the disbursement process.

Auditing Officer:



Kelly Priestley, Controller

The vouchers below have been reviewed and certified by individual departments and the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority's Auditing Officer.

Claims Vouchers:	Numbers	Amounts
A/P Checks	49447 - 49643	7,700,711.28
Treasurer Checks	1127	20.00
Wire Transfers, Credit Cards, ACHs	16	7,198,162.74
Voided Checks	49248, 49485, 49554	(\$11,768.18)
Total Claims	211	\$14,887,125.84

Smart Card Central Payments:	Numbers	Amounts
Wire Transfers	4	109,957.00
Total Claims	4	\$109,957.00

Payroll Vouchers:	Numbers	Amounts
Payroll Checks	6853 - 6859	\$10,501.82
Direct Deposit	414	\$649,861.43
Voided Check /EFT	1 EFT	(\$2,106.27)
Payroll Taxes	1	\$145,015.77
Total Payroll	421	\$803,272.75

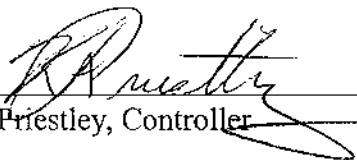
Total certified vouchers from September 1 through September 15, 2006 are \$15,800,355.59.

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Claims Vouchers:	Numbers	Amounts
A/P Checks	49644 - 49932	7,273,921.52
Treasurer Checks		0.00
Wire Transfers, Credit Cards, ACHs	21	24,078,936.93
Voided Checks	49447	(\$320,675.31)
Total Claims	309	\$31,032,183.14

Smart Card Central Payments:	Numbers	Amounts
Wire Transfers		0.00
Total Claims	0	\$0.00

Payroll Vouchers:	Numbers	Amounts
Payroll Checks	6860 - 6868	\$13,830.94
Direct Deposit	419	\$687,139.97
Voided Check /EFT		\$0.00
Payroll Taxes	1	\$161,778.95
Total Payroll	429	\$862,749.86

Total certified vouchers from September 16 through September 30, 2006 are \$31,894,933.00.

**Regional Transit Authority
Voucher Certification Approval
October 15, 2006**

Auditing Officer Certification

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Auditing Officer:



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Claims Vouchers:	Numbers	Amounts
A/P Checks	49933 - 50273	6,115,411.54
Treasurer Checks		0.00
Wire Transfers, Credit Cards, ACHs	16	26,956,206.25
Voided Checks	46333, 46849, 47327, 47424 47896, 47932, 49704, 49948 49979, 50219, 50241, 50244	(\$802,398.60)
Total Claims	346	\$32,269,219.19

Smart Card Central Payments:	Numbers	Amounts
Wire Transfers	3	6,835.00
Total Claims	3	\$6,835.00

Payroll Vouchers:	Numbers	Amounts
Payroll Checks	6869 - 6873	\$7,443.40
Direct Deposit	422	\$716,984.63
Voided Check /EFT		\$0.00
Payroll Taxes	1	\$171,089.03
Total Payroll	428	\$895,517.06

Total certified vouchers from October 1 through October 15, 2006 are \$33,171,571.25.