SOUND TRANSIT FINANCE COMMITTEE Summary Minutes June 7, 2007

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:07 p.m. by Chair Fred Butler in the Ruth Fisher Boardroom, 401 South Jackson Street, Seattle, Washington.

Roll Call

Chair

(P) Fred Butler, Issaquah Councilmember

- (P) 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

Chair Butler announced that due to time commitments related to a new job, Vice-Chair Anderson has resigned as a member of the Finance Committee. She will still serve as a member of the Sound Transit Board. Her replacement and the appointment of a new committee Vice-Chair will be announced at a future date.

Chair Butler announced that the Audit and Reporting Subcommittee met Monday, June 4, 2007. The agency's independent auditing team of KPMG issued its findings for 2006, giving the agency an "unqualified opinion," with no findings. The report gives the agency its ninth consecutive clean audit.

Chief Financial Officer's Report

Brian McCartan, Chief Financial Officer, distributed a list of outstanding information requests from committee members to staff (on file with Board Administration). The committee members confirmed their request for a briefing or fact sheet on landbanking policies and a discussion on options for resolving parking issues at the Sounder stations, which are approaching or at capacity. The committee also confirmed that they will not need a briefing on what the quality assurance team does and their procedures, which was previously requested.

Consent Agenda

Minutes of the May 3, 2007 Finance Committee Meeting Minutes of the May 17, 2007 Finance Committee Meeting

It was moved by Board member Marin, seconded by Board member Burleigh, and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that the consent agenda be approved as presented.

<u>Items within Finance Committee Authority for Final Action</u>

Motion No. M2007-57 – Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a contract amendment with Peter de Lory to provide fine art photography services documenting construction of the Central Link light rail project in the amount of \$75,000, with a 5% contingency of \$3,750 totaling \$78,750, for a new total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$277,575

Motion No. M2007-58 – Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a contract amendment with Anti, Inc. to fabricate and install original artwork for the Central Link light rail Initial Segment - Mount Baker Station in the amount of \$332,400, with a 10% contingency of \$33,240 totaling \$365,640, for a new total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$450,640

Motion No. M2007-59 – Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a contract amendment with Guy Kemper to expedite shipping of artwork for the Central Link light rail Initial Segment - Mount Baker Station in the amount of \$11,778, for a new total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$211,778

Motion No. M2007-60 – Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a contract amendment with Carl Smool to fabricate and install artwork for the Central Link light rail Initial Segment - Beacon Hill Station plaza in the amount of \$87,303, with a 10% contingency of \$22,730 totaling \$110,033, for a new total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$250,033

Motion No. M2007-61 – Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a contract amendment with Victoria Fuller to fabricate artwork for the Central Link light rail Initial Segment - Columbia City Station in the amount of \$44,209, with a 10% contingency of \$4,421 totaling \$48,630, for a new total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$246,930

Barbara Luecke, Public Art Administrator, presented the staff reports. She announced that the agency recently received a national award for the "safety spires" art project, which is located at the Link Light Rail Operations and Maintenance Facility.

The committee discussed the budget and maintenance costs for each of the art contracts; Ms. Luecke noted that a number of the art projects have been affected by an increase in the cost of materials needed to create these projects.

The committee also discussed M/W/DBE goals for art projects along the Martin Luther King Way (MLK) corridor. Ms. Luecke stated that she would submit to the committee a list of M/W/DBE artists that have contracted with Sound Transit for art projects in the MLK corridor, along with their contract amounts.

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Public Comment

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Items for Recommendation to the Board

Resolution No. R2007-10 – Amending the Adopted 2007 Budget for the ST Express Fleet Replacement Program to reflect an increase in the South King County portion of the program by \$2,000,000 and reducing the budget for the South King County portion of the ST Express Fleet Program by \$2,000,000

Tim Dunn, ST Express Operations Manager, and David Huffaker, Transportation Finance Planner, presented the staff report.

It was moved by Board member Marin, seconded by Board member Burleigh, and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that Resolution No. R2007-10 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation.

Motion No. M2007-56 – Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a contract amendment with Motor Coach Industries, Inc. to purchase seven 45-foot long haul diesel coaches in the amount of \$3,794,000, for a new total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$10,381,000

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The committee discussed the use of diesel versus natural gas-powered buses in terms of efficiency and operating costs. The committee also discussed the EEO commitment referenced in the staff report.

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Mr. Dunn will provide additional information comparing diesel and natural gas buses, as well as additional information on the EEO commitment referenced in the staff report before the Board's consideration of the motion on June 14, 2007.

It was moved by Board member Marin, seconded by Board member Burleigh, and carried by the majority vote of all members present that Motion No. M2007-56 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation, with Board member McIver voting in the minority.

Motion No. M2007-62 – Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a Master Implementation Agreement with the University of Washington establishing terms and conditions to acquire access to and use of University of Washington property for purposes of design, construction, operation, monitoring, and maintenance of Link light rail transit system for a total authorized agreement amount of \$35,200,000

Ms. Earl gave an introduction and background on the motion. She announced that the University of Washington Board of Regents met and voted unanimously to approve the Master Implementation Agreement between the University of Washington (UW) and Sound Transit.

Link Light Rail Director Ahmad Fazel gave a staff presentation on the scope, schedule and budget on the University Link project, which impacts the University of Washington property.

Link Deputy Director Ron Lewis gave a staff presentation, explaining each of the key features contained in the Master Implementation Agreement. Ms. Earl advised that the UW plans to send a letter to Sound Transit that discusses the UW's knowledge of any hazardous materials or cultural resources in the proposed construction area.

Board members Enslow, Burleigh, and Constantine offered comments on the agreement and voiced their support for the motion.

Mr. Fazel reviewed the budget table with the committee. Ms. Earl and Mr. Lewis responded to questions raised about language contained in the Master Implementation Agreement.

It was moved by Board member Burleigh, seconded by Board member Enslow, and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that Motion No. M2007-62 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation.

Next Meeting:

Thursday, June 21, 2007, 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., Ruth Fisher Boardroom, 401 South Jackson Street, Seattle WA.

<u>Adjourn</u>

There was no other business; the meeting was adjourned at 1:55 p.m.

Fred Butler

Finance Committee Chair

ATTEST:

Board Coordinator