SOUND TRANSIT BOARD MEETING Summary Minutes June 14, 2007

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:26 p.m. by Vice Chair Mark Olson, in the Ruth Fisher Boardroom, 401 South Jackson Street, Seattle, Washington.

Roll Call

Chair

(A) 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, Issaguah Deputy Council President
- (P) Dow Constantine, King County Councilmember
- (P) David Enslow, City of Sumner Mayor
- (A) Doug MacDonald, WSDOT Secretary
- (P) Richard Marin, Edmonds City Councilmember
- (P) Richard McIver, Seattle City Councilmember
- (A) Greg Nickels, City of Seattle Mayor
- (P) Julia Patterson, King County Councilmember
- (P) Larry Phillips, King County Council Chair
- (A) Aaron Reardon, Snohomish County Executive
- (A) Ron Sims, King County Executive
- (P) Claudia Thomas, City of Lakewood Mayor
- (P) Pete von Reichbauer, King County Council Vice Chair

Ms. Carol Doering, Board Coordinator, announced that a quorum of the Board was present.

Report of the Chair

Mr. Olson announced that Board members Julia Patterson and Pete von Reichbauer would be participating by telephone. He explained the Board operating rules that allow members to attend meetings by teleconference. Requests to attend are acted on by motion prior to action and require a 2/3 affirmative vote of members who are physically in attendance.

It was moved by Ms. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Marin, and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that Board members von Reichbauer and Patterson be allowed to participate in the meeting via teleconference.

Public Comment

Mr. Jonathan Dubman Mr. Robert Rosencrantz

Mr. Paul W. Locke

Will Knedlik

Action Items

Item referred by Finance Committee

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. Joni Earl, Chief Executive Officer and Weldon Ihrig, Executive Vice President, University of Washington, summarized key details of the Implementation Agreement between Sound Transit and the University of Washington (UW). Ms. Earl described features of the SR 520 Mediation Bill, passed out of the 2007 legislative session. That bill provided for Governor Gregoire to convene the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), Sound Transit, King County Metro and the University of Washington to look at the bus/rail integration issues and address questions legislators had about the interaction of the light rail station and the SR 520 project. Ms. Earl introduced an agreement letter which both she and WSDOT Secretary Doug MacDonald signed stating how design of both projects would be coordinated. Ms. Earl noted the challenge that the SR520 project is on a different schedule than the light rail project, which is currently in the final design stage.

Ms. Earl introduced a letter, signed jointly by her and Mr. Ihrig which spells out the mutual intent of Sound Transit and UW to comply with the mediation bill (ESSB 6099) set forth in the 2007 legislative session (a copy is on file with the Board Administrator). The letter addresses the function of the light rail station as an interim terminus and affirms the good faith of both parties to participate in the joint development of effective and efficient coordination of bus and light rail services throughout the corridor.

Mr. Ihrig recognized Richard Chapman, University of Washington's Associate Vice President who handles all capital construction projects for the UW campus and the influence Mr. Chapman had in successfully reaching the agreement. He described key UW's viewpoint of how light rail traffic would affect long-range uses and future funding potentials. In addition, he reported that 70% of faculty, staff and students use public transportation to commute to and from the UW campus.

Ms. Earl recognized Ahmad Fazel, Link Executive Director and Steve Sheehy, Legal Counsel for their work on the Master Implementation Agreement.

Mr. Olson confirmed Mr. von Reichbauer and Ms. Patterson's telephonic attendance.

It was moved by Mr. Butler, seconded by Mr. Marin and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion No. M2007-62 be approved as presented.

Mr. Olson announced there was a lack of a supermajority present to act on Resolution No. R2007-10. Action would be held until the next meeting.

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

Mr. Olson announced that approval of the bus purchase will be made subject to Board approval of Resolution No. R2007-10.

It was moved by Mr. Butler, seconded by Mr. Marin, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion No. M2007-56 be approved pending adoption of Resolution No. R2007-10 scheduled for the Board Meeting on June 28, 2007.

Chief Executive Officer's Report

Ms. Earl reported on the FTA Triennial Review which was held on June 6 and 7, 2007 to review a series of audits, policies and procedures. The review resulted in one minor finding.

Ms. Earl also announced a travel advisory on SR 518 near Sea-Tac International Airport to begin construction over SR 518 for the elevated portion of light rail.

Ms. Earl announced the "Safety Spires" by artists Norie Sato and Dan Corson, an art installation incorporated into Sound Transit's Link light rail Operations and Maintenance Facility, which was honored in the Year in Review.

Executive Session

None.

Other Business

None

Next Meeting

Thursday June 28, 2007 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Ruth Fisher Boardroom

<u>Adjourn</u>

The meeting was adjourned at 2:08 p.m.

Mark Olson

Board Vice Chair

ATTEST:

Carol A. Doering Board Coordinator