# SOUND TRANSIT STAFF REPORT

#### **MOTION NO. M2007-95**

# **Citizen Oversight Panel Appointments**

Meeting:	Date:	Type of Action:	Staff Contact:	Phone:
Board	9/13/07	Discussion/Possible Action	Marcia Walker, Board Administrator Carol Doering, Board Coordinator	(206) 398-5015 (206) 398-5095

Contract/Agreement Type:	✓	Requested Action:	✓
Competitive Procurement		Execute New Contract/Agreement	
Sole Source		Amend Existing Contract/Agreement	
Agreement with Other Jurisdiction(s)		Budget Amendment	
Real Estate		Property Acquisition	

# **PROJECT NAME**

Citizen Oversight Panel Appointments

# **PROPOSED ACTION**

Approving the appointments of Chris Elwell, Andrew Reay-Ellers and Joseph D. Wessling to the Citizen Oversight Panel for a term of four years each beginning September 2007 and expiring September 2011.

#### **KEY FEATURES of PROPOSED ACTION**

The purpose of this action is to fill three vacancies on the Citizen Oversight Panel (COP). In March 2007, Larry Shannon's two terms of service representing the East King County subarea expired. He has continued to serve pending appointments of new members. Mr. Elwell's appointment will fulfill the minimum required two representatives from the South King County subarea. The appointments of Mr. Andrew Reay-Ellers and Mr. Joseph D. Wessling will result in four members from the Seattle/North King County subarea.

#### **BUDGET IMPACT SUMMARY**

Not applicable to this action.

# **BUDGET and FINANCIAL PLAN DISCUSSION**

Not applicable to this action.

## **BUDGET TABLE**

Not applicable to this action.

#### SMALL BUSINESS PARTICIPATION

Not applicable to this action.

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION and BACKGROUND for PROPOSED ACTION

The Board created a Citizen Oversight Panel in 1996 to monitor Sound Transit's performance in carrying out its commitments under Sound Move. When a vacancy arises on the panel, every attempt is made to fill it with an individual whose skills, experience and demographic characteristics maintain the panel's geographic balance and diversity.

The Sound Transit Board and current members of the Citizen Oversight Panel have been actively recruiting members since March 2007. Outreach efforts included email notification to interested citizens maintained on the agency database, notification of community leaders and posting on Sound Transit's website.

Applications and accompanying resumes of all three candidates were mailed to Board members on August 22 and 23, 2007. With these appointments the subarea representation on the Panel will be as follows:

East King County 4
Seattle/North King County 4
South King County 2
Pierce County 3
Snohomish County 2

This action will fill all vacancies on the Panel enabling the COP to equitably distribute the tasks in representing their communities.

### **Prior Board/Committee Actions**

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

#### **CONSEQUENCES of DELAY**

Timely appointments of the new member will enable the COP to equitably distribute the tasks to sufficiently represent the community.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE**

Not applicable to this action.

#### **LEGAL REVIEW**

JW 9/6/07

#### **SOUND TRANSIT**

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A motion of the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority appointing Chris Elwell, Andrew Reay-Ellers and Joseph D. Wessling to the Citizen Oversight Panel for a term of four years each beginning September 2007 and expiring September 2011.

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#### Motion:

It is hereby moved by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority to appoint Mr. Chris Elwell, Mr. Andrew Reay-Ellers and Mr. Joseph D. Wessling to the Citizen Oversight Panel for a term of four years each beginning September 2007 and expiring September 2011.

APPROVED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on September 13, 2007.

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ATTEST:

Marcia Walker Board Administrator

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