

SOUND TRANSIT BOARD MEETING
Summary Minutes
November 18, 2010

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:40 p.m. by Chair Aaron Reardon, in the Ruth Fisher Boardroom, 401 South Jackson Street, Seattle, Washington.

Roll Call

Chair

(P) Aaron Reardon, Snohomish County Executive

Vice Chairs

(P) Fred Butler, Issaquah Deputy Council President

(P) Claudia Thomas, Lakewood Councilmember

Boardmembers

(P) Claudia Balducci, Bellevue Councilmember

(P) Richard Conlin, Seattle Council President

(P) Dow Constantine, King County Executive

(P) Jan Drago, King County Councilmember

(P) David Enslow, City of Sumner Mayor

(P) Jake Fey, City of Tacoma Deputy Mayor

(A) Paula Hammond, WSDOT Secretary

(P) John Marchione, City of Redmond Mayor

(P) Joe Marine, City of Mukilteo Mayor

(P) Pat McCarthy, Pierce County Executive

(A) Mike McGinn, City of Seattle Mayor

(P) Julia Patterson, King County Councilmember

(P) Larry Phillips, King County Councilmember

(P) Paul Roberts, Everett Councilmember

(P) Peter von Reichbauer, King County Councilmember

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

Chair Reardon asked CEO Joni Earl to give her report before the Chair's report.

Chief Executive Officer's Report

The East Link Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (SDEIS) was issued on November 12, 2010 and is on the Sound Transit website. The SDEIS evaluates new alternatives and project refinements that have been developed since the publication of the 2008 Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). The changes evaluated in the SDEIS are in response to public comments, discussions with partner agencies, community members and direction from the Sound Transit Board. The formal 60-day comment period started on November 12, 2010 and will continue through January 10, 2011. The 2008 DEIS and SDEIS will be combined into the East Link Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS). The Board will consider the FEIS, public comment and other information before selecting the route and station locations in 2011.

At its meeting earlier in the day, the Operations and Administration Committee approved the 2011 Service Implementation Plan (SIP). The Committee was given final approval authority of the SIP when the Board restructured the committees in February 2010.

Report of the Chair

Chair Reardon announced that today is Boardmember Jan Drago's last meeting on the Sound Transit Board. She has made a significant impact on regional transportation while on the Board and also during her 16 years on the Seattle City Council. While on the Seattle City Council, Ms. Drago served as Council President, Transportation Chair, and played a key role in developing the transportation infrastructure for the entire Puget Sound region. In particular, Ms. Drago has been a strong supporter of the First Hill Streetcar, and expanding Seattle's streetcar network. Chair Reardon presented her with a plaque commemorating her service on the Sound Transit Board. Boardmember Drago thanked the Board and expressed her enjoyment in serving. She also thanked Sound Transit staff and said she would continue to follow Sound Transit and be a transit user.

Public Comment

None.

Consent Agenda

Minutes of the September 30, 2010 Board Workshop
Voucher Certification for September 16, 2010 through September 30, 2010
Voucher Certification for October 1, 2010 through October 15, 2010
Motion Nos. M2010-95, M2010-96, M2010-98 and M2010-100

It was moved by Vice Chair Butler Butler, seconded by Boardmember Marine, and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that the consent agenda be approved as presented.

Action Items

Motion No. M2010-97 – Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a purchase and sale agreement with Artspace USA for the parcels at 2915 and 2919 Rainier Avenue South, Seattle, WA for a proposed mixed-use affordable housing transit-oriented development project for \$1,520,000.

Scott Kirkpatrick, Transit Oriented Development Manager, gave the staff presentation.

It was moved by Vice Chair Butler Butler, seconded by Boardmember Drago, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Boardmembers present that Motion No. M2010-97 be approved as presented.

Executive Session

At 1:56 p.m., Chair Reardon announced that the Board would convene an executive session for 45 minutes to consider acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased price, and litigation or potential litigation to which the agency is likely to become a party and public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency. The executive session is authorized by RCW 42.30.110 subsection (1)(b) and (i).

(Boardmember Balducci arrived.)

Chair Reardon reconvened the meeting at 2:41 p.m.

Other Business

None.

Next Meeting

Thursday, December 16, 2010
1:30 to 4:00 p.m.
Ruth Fisher Boardroom

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 2:41 p.m.

APPROVED on December 16, 2010.



Aaron Reardon
Board Chair

ATTEST:



Marcia Walker
Board Administrator