



SOUND TRANSIT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Summary Minutes

October 6, 2011

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:37 a.m. by Committee Vice Chair Fred Butler, in the Ruth Fisher Boardroom, 401 South Jackson Street, Seattle, Washington.

ROLL CALL

Chair

(A) Aaron Reardon, Snohomish County Executive

Vice Chairs

(P) Fred Butler, Issaquah Deputy Council President

(P) Claudia Thomas, Lakewood Councilmember

Boardmembers

(P) Dow Constantine, King County Executive

(P) David Enslow, Sumner Mayor

(P) Paula Hammond, WSDOT Secretary

(P) Pat McCarthy, Pierce County Executive

(A) Mike McGinn, Seattle Mayor

(A) Julia Patterson, King County Council Chair

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

REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Vice Chair Butler announced that he was presiding in Chair Reardon's absence.

CEO REPORT

Celia Kupersmith, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, gave the report in the absence of Joni Earl, Chief Executive Officer.

Last week, Sound Transit joined the City of Tacoma and the Tacoma-Pierce County Chamber to celebrate Tacoma Link's new Commerce Street Station. Tacoma City Councilmember and Sound Transit Boardmember Fey spoke at the event. The station adds a sixth stop on the 1.6-mile Tacoma Link line.

Last year the City of Tacoma proposed the station at the intersection of Commerce and South 11th Streets to the Board, funded it, and built it. The station includes two 40-foot platforms, lighting, accessibility ramps, security cameras and passenger shelters.

REPORTS TO THE COMMITTEE

2012 Financial Plan

Celia Kupersmith, Deputy Chief Executive Officer reported that the agency began adjusting work plans in January to meet changed conditions in the regional economy, project statuses, funding, community input, and Board guidance. The 2008 recession severely impacted the agency. Over the 15-year plan horizon, revenues are down 25 percent; \$4 billion since the ST2 estimate.

Brian McCartan, Chief Financial Officer, reported that total tax revenue is down \$85 million. The inflation forecast is slightly lower than anticipated; the forecast for operating costs has increased. The agency is still in a strong financial position with 1.5 times net coverage, fully-funded reserves, and is continuing its capital replacement program. Sound Transit faces further risks such as growing capital costs and inflation, but also has opportunities for grants and public/private

partnerships. To manage risks, the Financial Policies address adjustments to subarea projects and services. When expenditures exceed revenues by more than five percent, the subarea will use its uncommitted funds or bonding capacity, scale back on the subarea plan or project, and extend the time period of completion.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Minutes from the July 7, 2011 Executive Committee meeting

It was moved by Boardmember Enslow, seconded by Boardmember McCarthy, and carried by unanimous vote that the minutes of the July 7, 2011 Executive Committee be approved as presented.

Resolution No. 78-2: Updating the existing delegated authority and policy for the procurement of contracts, materials, services, and work; for the acquisition, use, and disposal of real and personal property; for the execution of agreements with other public entities; and superseding Resolution No. 78-1.

Celia Kupersmith, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, and Loren Armstrong, Legal Counsel, presented the staff report.

It was moved by Boardmember Enslow, seconded by Vice Chair Thomas, and carried by unanimous vote that Resolution No. R78-2 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

NEXT MEETING

Thursday, November 3, 2011
10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Ruth Fisher Boardroom

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.



Aaron Reardon
Executive Committee Chair

ATTEST:



Marcia Walker
Board Administrator

APPROVED on December 1, 2011, MW