



MOTION NO. M2011-06

Interlocal Agreement with City of Edmonds and Community Transit for the Edmonds Station Project

MEETING:	DATE:	TYPE OF ACTION:	STAFF CONTACT:	PHONE:
Operations and Administration Committee	01/20/11	Recommendation to Board	Ahmad Fazel, DECM Executive Director	206-398-5389
Board	01/27/11	Final Action	Jodi Mitchell, Project Manager	206-398-5080

PROPOSED ACTION

Authorizes the chief executive officer to execute an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Edmonds and Community Transit for the ownership, operation, and maintenance responsibilities of the bus transit center elements of the Sounder Edmonds Station project.

KEY FEATURES

The proposed three-party agreement:

- Assigns certain rights and responsibilities to Community Transit to own, operate, and maintain the bus transit center elements of the Edmonds Station project.
- Grants Community Transit the right to use Railroad Street, a City of Edmonds right-of-way.
- Includes the City's written consent to the assignment.
- Provides that Sound Transit guarantees to the City of Edmonds Community Transit's performance of the assigned responsibilities.
- Anticipates a subsequent agreement between Sound Transit and Community Transit to further define the rights and responsibilities related to the actual transfer of assets.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The City of Edmonds is currently served by a temporary platform on the east side of the tracks at the Edmonds Amtrak Station. Permanent station improvements will be constructed for Sounder service coordinated with Amtrak as well as BNSF construction of a second main line through Edmonds. The station will include two platforms (shared with Amtrak), shelters for weather protection, short term parking for passenger drop off and pick up, and about 150 parking spaces. Sound Transit's construction of the new platform on the west side of the existing tracks between Dayton and Main Streets ensures continuous service is provided once BNSF starts construction on the second main line. The Edmonds Station project includes a bus transit center to be operated by Community Transit that will feature two weather protected bus shelters, a bus layover area, lighting, landscaping, informational signage, and other associated elements.

FISCAL INFORMATION

Summary for Board Action (Year of Expenditure \$000)

Project: 209 - Edmonds Station

	2011 Proposed Budget ¹ (A)	Committed To Date ² (B)	This Action (C)	Total Committed & Action (D)	Uncommitted (Shortfall) (E)
Agency Administration	\$ 968	\$ 968	\$ -	\$ 968	\$ -
Preliminary Engineering	\$ 703	\$ 703	\$ -	\$ 703	\$ 0
Final Design	\$ 1,330	\$ 1,302	\$ -	\$ 1,302	\$ 28
3rd Party	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Right of Way	\$ 2,783	\$ 2,573	\$ -	\$ 2,573	\$ 209
Construction	\$ 5,104	\$ 4,618	\$ -	\$ 4,618	\$ 486
Construction Management	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Vehicles	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Contingency	\$ 2,042	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,042
Total Current Budget	\$ 12,929	\$ 10,165	\$ -	\$ 10,165	\$ 2,765

Notes:

- ¹ Project budget is located on page 82 of the Proposed 2011 Transit Improvement Plan budget book.
- ² Committed to date amount includes actual outlays and commitments through November 30, 2010.

SMALL BUSINESS PARTICIPATION

Not applicable to this action.

BACKGROUND

The Edmonds Station project is a Sound Move project to provide permanent station improvements for Sounder service and a transit center in Edmonds. In February 2010, Sound Transit entered into an Interlocal Agreement and a Development Agreement with the City of Edmonds. Those agreements established the roles, responsibilities, terms, and conditions for design and construction of the project and granted Sound Transit the right to use a portion of Railroad Street, which is city right-of-way. The agreements acknowledge that Community Transit may own, operate, and maintain the transit center elements of the project, however, Sound Transit must obtain the City's written consent for any assignment of the rights and responsibilities specified in those agreements. The proposed agreement includes the City's consent to the assignment.

Construction of the project began in July 2010 and construction of the bus transit center elements is scheduled to begin in late February 2011. The bus transit center elements include two weather protected bus shelters, a bus layover area, lighting, landscaping, informational signage, and other associated elements.

Sound Transit staff is requesting the Board authorize the proposed agreement before construction of the transit center elements begins in February. Sound Transit and Community Transit will subsequently enter into an agreement to further define the rights and responsibilities of the parties related to the actual transfer of these assets to Community Transit.

Environmental documentation and compliance under NEPA and SEPA for this project was completed through the Everett to Seattle Commuter Rail Project Final EIS (December 1999) and the FTA issued the Record of Decision in February 2000. A SEPA Addendum was issued by Sound Transit in October 2008 to address the effects of providing temporary replacement parking during commuter rail station construction.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE

SSK 12/28/10

PRIOR BOARD/COMMITTEE ACTIONS

Motion No. 2010-22 – Authorized the chief executive officer to execute the Development Agreement with the City of Edmonds for the implementation of the Sounder Edmonds Station Project.

Motion No. 2010-23 – Authorized the chief executive officer to execute the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Edmonds for the implementation of the Sounder Edmonds Station Project.

TIME CONSTRAINTS

Construction of the bus transit center elements of the project is scheduled for late February. It is within Sound Transit's best interest to execute this proposed agreement to avoid any unnecessary payments by Sound Transit for utility consumption and/or other maintenance obligations.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Sound Transit has held a number of public hearings and open houses with municipalities, public agencies, Native American tribes, and other community and business organizations. A Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) was established to provide public input on the design of the project. The TAC included local residents, business representatives, and elected officials throughout the design process, the TAC has been closely involved with Sound Transit to ensure that the community's interest is represented, the design reflects the character of Edmonds, and the project stays within the approved budget.

LEGAL REVIEW

SS 1/13/11

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A motion of the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority authorizing the chief executive officer to execute an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Edmonds and Community Transit for the ownership, operation, and maintenance responsibilities of the bus transit center elements of the Souder Edmonds Station project.

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MOTION:

It is hereby moved by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority that the chief executive officer is authorized to execute an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Edmonds and Community Transit for the ownership, operation, and maintenance responsibilities of the bus transit center elements of the Souder Edmonds Station project.

APPROVED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on January 27, 2011.



Aaron Beardon
Board Chair

ATTEST:



Marcia Walker
Board Administrator