



SOUND TRANSIT CAPITAL COMMITTEE MEETING

Summary Minutes

August 14, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:33 p.m. by Committee Chair Fred Butler, in the Ruth Fisher Boardroom, 401 South Jackson Street, Seattle, Washington.

ROLL CALL

Chair

(P) Fred Butler, Issaquah Mayor

Vice Chair

(P) Joe McDermott, King County Councilmember

Boardmembers

(P) Claudia Balducci, Bellevue Mayor

(P) Dave Earling, Edmonds Mayor

(A) John Marchione, Redmond Mayor

(P) Pat McCarthy, Pierce County Executive

(P) Mike O'Brien, Seattle Councilmember

(A) Dave Upthegrove, King County Councilmember

Joe Timmons, Board Coordinator/Policy Analyst, announced that a quorum of the Committee was present at roll call.

REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Chair Butler announced that the Capital Committee would be using a revised agenda for the meeting.

Chair Butler recognized that Boardmember Dave Enslow was in attendance and welcomed him to the meeting.

Although the Capital Committee usually hears public comment regarding items that are only before the Committee for final action, Chair Butler announced that the Committee would also permit comments regarding items relating to the Sumner and Puyallup Station Access Improvement projects.

DEPUTY CEO REPORT

None.

REPORTS TO THE COMMITTEE

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kathy Hayden, Sumner City Councilmember

Tom Utterback, Puyallup Development Services Director

BUSINESS ITEMS

Items for Recommendation to the Board:

Resolution No. R2014-18: (1) Amends the Adopted 2014 Lifetime Budget for the Sumner Station Access Improvements from \$3,387,500 to \$6,472,000, and (2) amends the Adopted 2014 Annual Budget for the Sumner Station Access Improvements from \$2,989,625 to \$4,073,000

Nyasha Sowers, Project Manager, and Michael Williams, Deputy Executive Director for Capital Project Development, provided a presentation regarding Resolution No. R2014-18 and Motion No. M2014-63.

Ms. Sowers provided information about access issues affecting the Sumner Sounder Station and the Puyallup Sounder Station, as well an overview of six packages of traffic and non-motorized improvements for the Sumner Sounder Station, with each package being titled with a letter A through F. She also presented information about community and stakeholder outreach efforts regarding this project.

It was moved by Boardmember McCarthy and seconded by Committee Vice Chair McDermott that Resolution No. R2014-18 be forwarded to the Board.

Boardmembers discussed the Sumner Station Access Improvement project and the need for this budget amendment. Boardmembers requested that the budget information be presented differently at the August 28, 2014 Board meeting.

It was carried by unanimous vote that Resolution No. R2014-18 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation.

Motion No. M2014-63: (1) Identifies the preferred package of access improvements for the Sumner Station Access Improvement Project to advance into environmental review, and (2) approves Gate 2: Identify Alternatives and Gate 3: Identify Preferred Alternative within Sound Transit's Phase Gate process

It was moved by Boardmember McCarthy and seconded by Committee Vice Chair McDermott that Motion No. M2014-63 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation.

It was moved by Boardmember McCarthy and seconded by Committee Vice Chair McDermott to amend Motion No. M2014-63 with the language shown on green paper.

The amendment amends Motion No. M2014-63 by inserting the following language:

The Sound Transit Board identifies for environmental review and preliminary engineering: Package E: Small Transit Center Garage and Washington Tractor Surface Lot with the following modifications:

- A parking garage at the transit center site designed to accommodate a net increase of approximately 400 parking spaces - which would be in addition to maintaining the majority of existing surface parking spaces at the transit center surface lot.
- If available, consider leasing temporary parking spaces for station users at the Washington Tractor site during the construction of the transit center garage. Washington Tractor will not be considered for permanent parking.

Pedestrian and bicycle improvements including:

- Strategic sidewalk improvements within a quarter mile of the station, including but not limited to, Academy Street and Cherry Avenue.
- A pedestrian/bike bridge over the railroad tracks at the station.
- Strategic lighting improvements within a quarter mile of the station including, but not limited to Park Street and the Thompson Street/Cherry Avenue intersection.
- Additional bike storage at the station.
- Strategic ADA curb ramp improvements in the vicinity of the station.

Strategic traffic improvements including:

- Station area traffic signal improvements.
- Signage and traffic management improvements to minimize cut through traffic.

Sound Transit should identify opportunities for public parking in the station garage on weekends, holidays and for special events.

Sound Transit should engage in partnerships with:

- The Sumner Arts Commission to work collaboratively with the STart program to identify artists and art installations for the project's 1% for art investment.
- The City of Sumner and BNSF to investigate use and funding of wayside horns in the station area.

- Downtown Sumner businesses to develop a program encouraging Sounder riders to frequent local businesses.

Sound Transit will support a partnership with WSDOT and the cities of Sumner and Puyallup to fund multi-modal improvements to the SR410 and Traffic Avenue interchange.

Automobile, pedestrian, bicycle and bus access to the transit center garage could be greatly improved by modifications to this interchange. Sound Transit should make a financial contribution to the project tied to pedestrian, bicycle, and transit access to station, if other funding can be identified, consistent with the ST2 cost estimate.

Boardmember Enslow spoke in favor of the amendment, which is consistent with recommendations that the City of Sumner provided to Sound Transit.

The motion to amend Motion No. M2014-63 carried by unanimous vote.

The motion to forward Motion No. M2014-63 as amended to the Board with a do-pass recommendation carried by unanimous vote.

Resolution No. R2014-19: (1) Amends the Adopted 2014 Lifetime Budget for the Puyallup Station Access Improvements from \$577,500 to \$3,547,000, and (2) amends the Adopted 2014 Annual Budget for the Puyallup Station Access Improvements from \$178,093 to \$1,226,000

Nytasha Sowers, Project Manager, and Michael Williams, Deputy Executive Director for Capital Project Development provided a presentation regarding Resolution No. R2014-19 and Motion No. M2014-64.

Ms. Sowers provided information about access issues affecting the Puyallup Sounder Station, as well an overview of six packages of traffic and non-motorized improvements for the station, with each package being titled with a letter A through F.

It was moved by Boardmember McCarthy and seconded by Committee Vice Chair McDermott that Resolution No. R2014-19 be forwarded to the Board.

Boardmembers discussed the Puyallup Station Access Improvement project and the need for this budget amendment, and applauded the City of Puyallup and Sound Transit staff for their efforts on this project.

It was carried by unanimous vote that Resolution No. R2014-19 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation.

Motion No. M2014-64: (1) Identifies the Preferred Alternative for the Puyallup Station Access Improvements Project to advance into environmental review, and; (2) approves Gate 2: Identify Alternatives and Gate 3: Identify Preferred Alternative within Sound Transit's Phase Gate process

It was moved by Boardmember McCarthy and seconded by Boardmember O'Brien that Motion No. M2014-64 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation.

It was moved by Boardmember McCarthy and seconded by Boardmember O'Brien to amend Motion No. M2014-64 with the language shown on blue paper.

The amendment amends Motion No. M2014-64 by inserting the following language:

The Sound Transit Board identifies for environmental review and preliminary engineering: Package C: Large Eagles Garage with the following modifications:

- A parking garage at the Eagles site with approximately 420 spaces and a pedestrian overpass from the garage to the Sounder Station
- Surface parking along the north side of 3rd Avenue North West
- Additional leased parking at the Red Lot.

Pedestrian and bicycle improvements including:

- Strategic station area traffic signal improvements
- Pedestrian/bike bridge over the railroad tracks at the station
- Pedestrian/bike bridge over 5th Street NW to facilitate access to and from the Eagle's garage to the station
- Sidewalk and ADA curb ramp improvements on West Main Avenue, West Pioneer Ave, North Meridian Street, 4th Street Northwest and 5th Street Southwest
- Bike routes improvements on West Stewart Avenue, West Main Avenue, 7th Avenue Southwest and 4th Street Northwest.
- Additional bike storage at the station

Sound Transit should consider opportunities for public parking in the station garage on weekends, holidays and for special events.

Sound Transit should engage in a partnership with downtown Puyallup businesses to encourage Sounder riders to frequent local businesses.

Sound Transit will support a partnership with WSDOT and the cities of Puyallup and Sumner to fund multi-modal improvements to the SR410 interchange. Automobile, pedestrian, bicycle and bus access to the transit center garage could be greatly improved by modifications to this interchange.

Sound Transit should make a financial contribution to the project tied to pedestrian, bicycle, and transit access to station, if other funding can be identified, consistent with the ST2 cost estimate.

The motion to amend Motion No. M2014-64 carried by unanimous vote.

The motion to forward Motion No. M2014-64 as amended to the Board with a do-pass recommendation carried by unanimous vote.

Motion No. M2014-61: Authorizes the chief executive officer to execute a new agreement between the City of Redmond and the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority, for the Overlake Village Station within the East Link Extension whereby the City of Redmond agrees to pay Sound Transit \$19,880,000 for the design and construction of a pedestrian-bicycle bridge and a regional stormwater vault

Don Billen, East Link Deputy Project Director, and Leonard McGhee, Project Manager, presented the staff report. Mr. McGhee provided an overview of the agreement with the City of Redmond and elements of the Overlake Village Station, including the pedestrian-bicycle bridge and drainage vault.

It was moved by Committee Vice Chair McDermott, seconded by Boardmember Balducci, and carried by unanimous vote that Motion No. M2014-61 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation.

Motion No. M2014-62: Authorizes the chief executive officer to execute a contract amendment with Huitt-Zollars, Inc. to provide engineering and environmental services for the Link Operations and Maintenance Satellite Facility in the amount of \$5,335,480, with a 10% contingency of \$533,548, for a new total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$8,762,708

Michael Williams, Deputy Executive Director for Capital Project Development, presented the staff report.

It was moved by Committee Vice Chair McDermott, seconded by Boardmember McCarthy, and carried by unanimous vote that Motion No. M2014-62 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation.

Resolution No. R2014-14: (1) Adopts the Sounder Yard Expansion Baseline schedule and budget by a) establishing the Baseline Cost estimate at \$20,550,000 funded by the Sounder Yard and Shops project, b) amending the adopted 2014 Lifetime Budget from \$5,422,000 to \$20,550,000, c) amending the adopted 2014 Annual Budget from \$1,695,000 to \$2,169,000; and (2) approves Gate 4: Enter Final Design and Gate 5: Establish Baseline within Sound Transit's Phase Gate process, adopting December 31, 2016 as the project completion milestone

Eric Beckman, Deputy Executive Director for Business and Construction Services, presented the staff report.

It was moved by Committee Vice Chair McDermott, seconded by Boardmember McCarthy, and carried by unanimous vote that Resolution No. R2014-14 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation.

Resolution No. R2014-15: (1) Amends the Adopted 2014 Lifetime Budget for the Tacoma Trestle Track and Signal project from \$11,454,520 to \$34,554,000 by increasing the budget by \$23,099,480, and; (2) amends the Adopted 2014 Annual Budget from \$10,674,000 to \$16,579,000, and (3) approves Gate 4: Enter Final Design within Sound Transit's Phase Gate Process

Eric Beckman, Deputy Executive Director for Business and Construction Services, and Melissa Flores Saxe, Project Manager, presented the staff report.

It was moved by Committee Vice Chair McDermott, seconded by Boardmember McCarthy, and carried by unanimous vote that Resolution No. R2014-15 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation.

Resolution No. R2014-20: (1) Amends the Adopted 2014 Lifetime Budget for the D to M Street Track and Signal project by reducing it \$2,810,000 from \$161,071,747 to \$158,261,747, and (2) Amends the Adopted 2014 Annual and Lifetime Budgets for the Sumner Station Improvements project by increasing the Annual Budget by \$2,810,000 from \$1,263,000 to \$4,073,000 and the Lifetime Budget by \$2,810,000 from \$3,662,000 to \$6,472,000 in order to purchase the Bonney Lake Park-and-Ride lot from Pierce Transit

Eric Beckman, Deputy Executive Director for Business and Construction Services, presented the staff report.

It was moved by Committee Vice Chair McDermott, seconded by Boardmember McCarthy, and carried by unanimous vote that Resolution No. R2014-20 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation.

Resolution No. R2014-16: Authorizes the chief executive officer to acquire or lease certain real property interests, including acquisition by condemnation, and to reimburse eligible relocation and reestablishment expenses incurred by affected owners and tenants as necessary for the Tacoma Trestle Project and to apply for the vacation of a City of Tacoma alley and carry out the steps to acquire the alley property

Roger Hansen, Real Property Director, and Kent Melton, Real Property Deputy Director presented the staff report.

It was moved by Committee Vice Chair McDermott, seconded by Boardmember Balducci, and carried by unanimous vote that Resolution No. R2014-16 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation.

Resolution No. R2014-17: Authorizes the chief executive officer to acquire or lease certain real property interests, including acquisition by condemnation and pay eligible relocation and re-establishment benefits to affected owners and tenants as necessary for the East Link Extension

Kent Melton, Real Property Deputy Director presented the staff report.

It was moved by Committee Vice Chair McDermott, seconded by Boardmember McCarthy, and carried by unanimous vote that Resolution No. R2014-17 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation.

Items for Committee Final Action:

Motion No. M2014-65: Authorizes the chief executive officer to execute a contract amendment with Parametrix, Inc., to provide engineering and environmental services for Phase 2 and 3 of the Puyallup Station Access Improvement Project and the Sumner Access Improvement Project in amount of \$3,707,155, with a 10% contingency of \$ 370,715 totaling \$4,077,870, for a total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$4,963,021

Nytasha Sowers, Project Manager, presented the staff report.

It was moved by Committee Vice Chair McDermott, seconded by Boardmember Balducci, and carried by unanimous vote that Motion No. M2014-65 be approved as presented.

Minutes of the July 10, 2014 Capital Committee meeting

It was moved by Committee Vice Chair McDermott, seconded by Boardmember McCarthy, and carried by unanimous vote that the July 10, 2014 Capital Committee minutes be approved as presented.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

NEXT MEETING

Thursday, September 11, 2014
1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Ruth Fisher Boardroom


ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 3:02 p.m.



Fred Butler
Capital Committee Chair

ATTEST:



Marcia Walker
Board Administrator

APPROVED on September 11, 2014, JAT