



SOUND TRANSIT CAPITAL COMMITTEE MEETING

Summary Minutes

January 14, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 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, King County Councilmember

(P) Dave Earling, Edmonds Mayor

(P) John Marchione, Redmond Mayor

(P) Pat McCarthy, Pierce County Executive

(P) Dave Uptegrove, King County Councilmember

Jane Emerson, Board Coordinator, announced that a quorum of the Committee was present at roll call.

REPORT OF THE CHAIR

None.

CEO REPORT

Mr. Rogoff reported that on Wednesday he attended a news conference with Chair Constantine at the future Roosevelt District Station. The news conference highlighted some important 2016 milestones, including the opening of the University Link and South 200th Extensions, breaking ground the East Link Extension, continued work on the Northgate Link Extension, and preparation for the Sound Transit 3 ballot measure.

Mr. Rogoff advised the committee that Sound Transit would be holding an open house that evening at the Neptune Theater to receive public feedback on designs for the Northgate Link Extension U District Station. The station will be located on Brooklyn Avenue NE between NE 45th and NE 43rd streets. The station will include elevators, escalators, stairs, and 100 bike spaces.

REPORTS TO THE COMMITTEE

ST2 Suspended Projects Update

Brian McCartan, Executive Director of Finance and IT, provided an update on the status of the ST2 suspended projects.

Mr. McCartan stated that in the aftermath of the 2008 recession, the Board make some proactive decisions to manage the program by dividing the projects in the ST2 plan between projects that could be fully funded in the agency's financial plan, and projects that had to be marked as suspended. Staff was instructed, when possible, to work toward fully funding the projects in ST2. Through the Board's guidance and approval, good progress has been made toward refunding some of the suspended projects. The Board has refunded the full commitment of ST2 bus hours, a contribution to the Bothell parking garage, and environmental work from Kent/Des Moines to the Federal Way Transit Center.

Based on improved revenue projections, in December the Board directed further review for projects that potentially could be fully funded. Staff determined that the agency is able to fund the Kent Station Access, Auburn Station Access, preliminary engineering of the Downtown Redmond Link Extension, and preliminary

engineering for Kent/Des Moines to the Federal Way Transit Center. In addition, a few projects overlap with the ST3 plan and could be accelerated under that plan including light rail to 272nd, Sounder platform extension, and light rail preliminary engineering and right-of-way to Tacoma. With the addition of these projects, all subareas' financial capacity will be fully committed with the exception of the Pierce subarea.

Ric Ilgenfritz, Executive Director of Planning Environmental and Project Development, stated that there is a schedule consideration with the Kent/Des Moines to Federal Way Transit Center preliminary engineering project. The final environmental impact statement is scheduled to be completed the end of 2016. Once complete, the Board will be asked to determine the project to be built. Now is the most efficient time to go forward with the preliminary engineering so the work can be done simultaneously with the work to Kent/Des Moines.

Boardmember Upthegrove asked about the timing and sequence of the projects; specifically the station access projects. Mr. Ilgenfritz responded that access projects require two phases of work; (1) early policy work with jurisdictions and the resulting environmental review to determine the scope of what is to be built and (2) the design and construction. The timing can vary for the first phase and the design and construction will take three to five years depending on the project delivery method.

Chair Butler stated that based on the discussions today and at the Executive Committee, he would request staff prepare an action for the January Board meeting to advance the access improvement projects for Auburn and Kent.

ST3 Capital Program Priorities

Ric Ilgenfritz, Executive Director of Planning Environmental and Project Development, and Karen Kitsis, Senior Planning and Project Development Manager, provided a status report on the ST3 planning. Last year's efforts centered on defining what projects to study, and culminated in a ST3 Workshop on December 4, 2015. Based on direction from the Board in December, the scope is being refined on some projects.

The focus has been on individual projects; however, as the plan moves to the draft system plan, staff will be looking at how the plan and the corridors work together as a whole. Within the system plan, there is no specific level of design, so it is important to look at programmatic and potential risks that will feed into the cost estimate. The first week of February staff will work to identify the risk assessment for individual projects and systematic projects that will apply to rail overall or bus rapid transit. Systemwide impacts will be examined during the first quarter of 2016. In addition, staff has received the new data from the Puget Sound Regional Council and the modelers and consultants will use the updated numbers in the new model.

The Expert Review Panel will meet February 8 and 9, 2016 to continue discussing the financial planning process and ridership forecasting. They will also conduct a separate review of the capital costs of the ST3 candidate projects.

Vice Chair McDermott asked staff to confirm employment and traffic data so that the Boeing Access Road light rail station template fully measures land use development potentials. Ms. Kitsis replied that staff would reevaluate this with the new numbers provided by PSRC. Chair Butler stated his concern that some of the assumptions regarding the amount of parking required on representative routes seems low.

Sounder Yard & Shops Project Briefing

Don Billen, HCT Project Development Director; Melissa Saxe, Senior Project Manager; and Michael Perry, Deputy Executive Director of Transportation and Maintenance, presented the briefing. The Sounder Yard & Shops project began as a single project and in 2013, the project was split into two projects due to schedule considerations.

The south line trains finish the day in Lakewood where they have minor repairs and are cleaned to prepare for the next day. There are currently 10 roundtrips each weekday. An 11th roundtrip will be added in September and Sound Transit plans to add a 12th and a 13th roundtrip in 2017. Programmatic requirements for the yard

and shop facility include close proximity and access to the mainline railroad right-of-way, the ability to accommodate the fleet and its facilities with modest growth, and affordability.

The project team has evaluated sites along the Sounder commuter rail corridor and is currently evaluating locations along Sound Transit's railroad right-of-way between Tacoma and Nisqually. The team evaluated potential sites and concluded that the preferred site is in Lakewood. The location will be between Steilacoom Blvd. and 100th Street SW. Conceptual engineering has been completed. The footprint of the project is within Sound Transit's railroad right-of-way, but will require acquisition of two parcels on the east side of the tracks. The facility will include a 40,000 square-foot building providing the maintenance facility, welfare facility for employees, administration office and material warehouse.

Next steps include completing environmental review in February, continuing outreach with jurisdictions and the community, and returning to the Board in March or April for selection of the project to build.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Alex Zimmerman
Queen Pearl
Michael B. Fuller

BUSINESS ITEMS

Items for Committee Final Action

Minutes of the December 10, 2015, Capital Committee Meeting

It was moved by Committee Vice Chair McDermott, seconded by Boardmember Balducci, and carried by unanimous vote that the December 10, 2015, Capital Committee minutes be approved as presented.

Motion No. M2016-04: Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a purchase and sale agreement with Leon C. Bloxham and Elizabeth Haid Garrett for surplus property located at 2605 18th Avenue South, Seattle, Washington, for \$455,000. This property received multiple offers and should the transaction fail to close, this action also authorizes the chief executive officer to sign a purchase and sale agreement with another qualified buyer for an amount not below the appraised value of \$380,000.

Kevin Workman, Director of Real Property, provided the staff report. This surplus property was originally acquired for the Central Link project and was declared surplus under Resolution No. R2015-07.

It was moved by Boardmember Balducci, seconded by Boardmember Earling, and carried by unanimous vote that Motion No. M2016-04 be approved as presented

Motion No. M2016-05: Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a task order agreement with Washington State Department of Transportation to provide construction services for South 200th Street/Military Road South/I-5 Ramp Intersection Improvements, an element of the South 200th Link Extension, in the amount of \$3,085,237, with a 10% contingency of \$308,524, for a total authorized agreement amount not to exceed \$3,393,761.

Miles Haupt, Project Director, provided the staff report. This task order will be issued under an existing umbrella construction agreement between Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) and Sound Transit. It includes construction services that will be procured under a bid process as well as construction management services that will be managed and performed by WSDOT. The scope of the work includes an intersection improvement approximately a half-mile away from the Angle Lake Station. WSDOT plans to advertise for bid in March with an expected notice to proceed in July. The construction will take approximately 11 months.

It was moved by Boardmember Upthegrove, seconded by Boardmember McCarthy, and carried by unanimous vote that Motion No. M2016-05 be approved as presented

Items for Recommendation to the Board

Motion No. M2016-06: Authorizing the chief executive officer to increase the contingency for the construction services contract with Johansen Excavating, Inc. for the Station Area Roadways and Surface Parking work within the South 200th Link Extension in the amount of \$1,800,000, for a total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$11,069,040.

Miles Haupt, Project Director, provided the staff report. The Board approved the contract for this work in 2015 in the amount of \$9.3 million. Staff is asking for an increase to the contract. The scope of the work includes roadway improvements in and around the station, bike path improvements, and a connection to the Des Moines Creek Trailhead west of Angle Lake Station on 200th for pedestrian, and bike traffic. The increase will cover changes on the project due to delays in utility relocations; additional post-bid requirements by the City of SeaTac for fencing, walls, and paving; design changes due to the culvert crossing; unforeseen soil conditions; and other work. The contract is two-thirds complete. The immediate challenge is to identify the subsurface soil conditions and complete the analysis for the culvert footings. The work is anticipated to be completed in June 2016.

Following Boardmember discussion, staff was asked to provide the Board with a recounting of the additional costs from the City of SeaTac.

It was moved by Boardmember Upthegrove, seconded by Boardmember Balducci, and carried by unanimous vote that Motion No. M2016-06 be forwarded to the Board with a do pass recommendation.

Motion No. M2016-07: Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a design-build contract with Shimmick Construction to provide design and construction services for the Sounder Yard Expansion project in the amount of \$12,005,000, with a 10% contingency of \$1,200,500, for a total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$13,205,500.

Mark Johnson, Project Director, and Tom Dean, Construction Manager, presented Motion No. M2016-07. The project is a third-track storage to increase the capacity from six 7-car trainsets to seven 8-car trainsets. There will also be a permanent crew and storage area with parking; enhanced yard utilities including way-side power, water, air, and fire protection; upgraded lighting; security, fencing, and guard booths; and surveillance systems.

It was moved by Boardmember McCarthy, seconded by Boardmember Balducci, and carried by unanimous vote that Motion No. M2016-07 be forwarded to the Board with a do pass recommendation.

Motion No. M2016-08: Authorizing the chief executive officer to execute a contract through December 31, 2021, with five additional one-year options with Four Nines Technologies, Inc. for Second Generation Regional Fare Collection System Consulting Services in the amount of \$8,366,489, with a 20% contingency of \$1,673,298, for a total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$10,039,787.

Brittany Esdaile, ORCA2 Program Manager, and Brian McCartan, Executive Director Finance and Information Technology, presented Motion No. M2016-08. The contract will support the next generation regional fare collection system (ORCA2). Staff is in the early stages of the planning phase of the next generation fare system. The system will build on the success of ORCA, especially maintaining ORCA's high customer satisfaction reputation and building on the solid regional governance model. The new ORCA2 concept is to build a fare system that (1) improves the customer experience by expanding payment options and accessibility to fare media and by providing a more efficient payment experience, and (2) is a flexible and modular system based upon open architecture that is able to grow and adapt as needs change. The proposed action will execute a contract for consulting support in ORCA2 system development, deployment, and operation. A 20-percent contingency is being requested because ORCA2 system development is in the very early stages, and some decisions on system design and scope have not been made. Hiring the consultant is the first step in making project decisions on approaches and technology using the consultant's experience. The larger contingency will allow flexibility due to the unknowns about how to procure the contract and transition from ORCA to ORCA2. The ORCA Board approved the selection of Four Nines Technologies at their meeting on January 11, 2016.

Boardmember Upthegrove asked if the ORCA2 system would be flexible enough to integrate if Sound Transit begins charging for parking. Ms. Esdaile stated that staff is looking at this possibility.

It was moved by Boardmember Balducci, seconded by Committee Vice Chair McDermott, and carried by unanimous vote that Motion No. M2016-08 be forwarded to the Board with a do pass recommendation.

Resolution No. R2016-01: (1) Authorizing the chief executive officer to acquire certain real property interests, including acquisition by condemnation to the extent authorized by law, and to reimburse eligible relocation and reestablishment expenses incurred by affected owners and tenants as necessary for the Sounder Yard & Shops Facility Project, and (2) requiring staff to prepare an amendment to the Adopted 2016 Budget for Board consideration within 60 days of completion of the acquisition if the property acquisition exceeds the current budget.

Kevin Workman, Director of Real Property, presented the staff report. The action authorizes acquisition of property rights for expansion of the Sounder Yard & Shops Facility Project. Mr. Workman clarified that the staff reports states a letter was sent by certified mail on January 12, 2016, however, it actually was sent January 13, 2016. The owner of the property is aware of the action today.

It was moved by Boardmember McCarthy, seconded by Committee Vice Chair McDermott, and carried by unanimous vote that Resolution No. R2016-01 be forwarded to the Board with a do pass recommendation.

Resolution No. R2016-02: Authorizing the chief executive officer to acquire certain real property interests, including acquisition by condemnation to the extent authorized by law, and to reimburse eligible relocation and reestablishment expenses incurred by affected owners and tenants as necessary for the Tacoma Link Expansion Project.

Mr. Workman presented Resolution No. R2016-02. The action authorizes acquisition of property rights for the Tacoma Link Expansion Project. Mr. Workman clarified that the staff reports states a letter was sent by certified mail on January 12, 2016, however, it actually was sent January 13, 2016. The owner of the property is aware of the action today.

It was moved by Boardmember McCarthy, seconded by Boardmember Earling, and carried by unanimous vote that Resolution No. R2016-02 be forwarded to the Board with a do pass recommendation.

Resolution No. R2016-03: Approving the chief executive officer's declaration that certain real property acquired for the Initial Segment of the Central Link Light Rail project is surplus and is no longer needed for a transit purpose.

Mr. Workman and Sarah Lovell, TOD Manager, presented Resolution No. R2016-03. The action requests approval of surplus property declaration for an assemblage of four properties along the Initial Segment of the Central Link light rail alignment. The four parcels are estimated to be valued at \$1.5 million. The properties have been examined by the Real Property Utilization Committee to ensure they are no longer needed for Sound Transit purposes. It is anticipated that the properties will be brought back to the Board later in the year for disposition.

It was moved by Boardmember Balducci, seconded by Boardmember Marchione, and carried by unanimous vote that Resolution No. R2016-03 be forwarded to the Board with a do pass recommendation.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

OTHER BUSINESS

None

NEXT MEETING

Thursday, February 11, 2016

1:30 to 4:00 p.m.

Ruth Fisher Boardroom

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 3:11 p.m.



Fred Butler
Capital Committee Chair

ATTEST:



Kathryn Flores
Board Administrator

APPROVED on February 11, 2016, JE