



King County

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Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Meeting Minutes Regional Transit Committee

Councilmembers: *Pete von Reichbauer, Chair; Dwight Pelz,
Vice Chair;
Dow Constantine, Reagan Dunn, Bob Ferguson, David W. Irons*

Suburban Cities Association: *Jeanne Burbidge, Federal Way;
Fred Butler, Issaquah; Pam Carter, Tukwila; Joan McGilton,
Burien;*

*Tom Paine, Redmond; Ralph Shape, SeaTac; Roger
Thordarson, Auburn*

Alternates: *Rich Hildreth, Pacific; Kathy Huckabay,
Sammamish;*

Conrad Lee, Bellevue; Robert Ransom, Shoreline

City of Seattle: *Richard Conlin, Tom Rasmussen; Alternate:
Jean Godden*

Staff: *Arthur Thornbury (296-1680), Lead Analyst;
Joanne Rasmussen (296-0333), Committee Assistant*

3:00 PM

Wednesday, March 30, 2005

Room 1001

SPECIAL MEETING

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:14 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: 16 - Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Pelz, Mr. Irons, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Dunn, Ms. McGilton, Mr. Butler, Ms. Burbidge, Mr. Thordarson, Mr. Conlin, Mr. Rasmussen, Mr. Paine, Mr. Hildreth, Ms. Huckabay, Mr. Lee and Mr. Ransom

Excused: 3 - Mr. Constantine, Ms. Carter and Mr. Shape

1. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the October 6, 2004 Special Meeting of the Regional Transit Committee were approved as presented.

2. Chair's Report

The Chair introduced the new members of the committee. He noted that Council Chair Larry Phillips was present on the dais.

3. Vice Chair's Report

There was no report from the Vice-Chair.

4. General Manager's Report

Kevin Desmond, Transit General Manager, noted the closure of the bus tunnel scheduled for September.

5. Announcements

There were no announcements from members.

Briefing

6. [Briefing No. 2005-B0039](#)

Waterfront Streetcar Briefing

Kevin Desmond, Transit General Manager, briefed the committee and answered questions from the members on the proposal to relocate the maintenance facility for the Waterfront Streetcar, during a powerpoint presentation. Linda Strout, Port of Seattle, Melinda Miller, Port of Seattle, and Regina LaBelle, Legal Advisor, Seattle Mayor's office, answered questions from the members regarding the offer from the Port of Seattle to partner with the county and City of Seattle in the project. Councilmember Pelz distributed a document, "Preliminary Metro Cost Estimates - New Waterfront Streetcar Maintenance Facility", to the members for discussion.

This matter was Presented.

7. [Briefing No. 2005-B0040](#)

Waterborne Transit Study Briefing

Harold Taniguichi, Director, Department of Transportation, introduced the briefing on the waterborne transit study. David Hull, Senior Transit Planner, Service Development Section, briefed the committee and answered questions from the members during a powerpoint presentation. Eric Gleason, Manager, Service Development Section, and Bruce Agnew, Discovery Institute, Cascadia Project, discussed the study and answered questions from the members.

The following documents were distributed at the meeting:

- Waterborne Transit Policy Study - March 2005 Stakeholder Meetings Summary*
- Newsletter and Membership List of the Puget Sound Passenger Ferry Coalition.*
- Packet from Cascadia Discovery Institute including: "Return of the Mosquito Fleet" pamphlet; Puget Sound Passenger Ferry Coalition Mission Statement; current news articles on passenger ferry service; Meeting Notice for March 29, 2005 PSPF Coalition meeting.*

This matter was Presented.

8. Public Comment

Ted Choi, 2552 - 20th Avenue East, Seattle, testified on Item #6, Briefing No. 2005-0039, Waterfront Streetcar, during the discussion on that item.

No one else appeared before the committee to offer public comment on the agenda items.

Discussion and Possible Action

9. [Proposed Motion No. 2005-0135](#)

A MOTION approving the 2005-2006 mission and goals of the transit division of the department of

transportation.

Sponsors: Mr. von Reichbauer

A draft copy of the Transit Division's 2005-2006 Mission and Goals was distributed to the members. The Chair noted that this item would be discussed at the next RTC meeting.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____.

Clerk's Signature