

Transportation & Public Works Committee Meeting

Minutes

September 15, 2022 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM ** Hybrid Meeting **

Members: Present: Absent: Commence: 4:31 PM

Adjourn: 5:17 PM

Peter Kwon, Chair X Jake Simpson A Takele Gobena A

Other Councilmembers participating: Mohamed Egal

Staff Coordinators: Will Appleton, Public Works Director; Florendo Cabudol, City

Engineer

Other Staff Participating: Anita Woodmass, Senior Analyst; Ingrid Bulpin, Real

Property Management Specialist, Gwen Voelpel, Deputy City Manager

Public Comment	No public comment
Approve Prior Meeting's Minutes	Sept 1 minutes were not approved and will be added to the October 6TPW Meeting Agenda.
Approve Three Way Consolidated Light Rail Agreement	Anita Woodmass, Senior Analyst, presented this item. She provided an overview of the consolidation of three Transitway Agreements (TWA) between the City and Sound Transit (ST). The TWA establishes a framework and responsibilities for how the agencies will interact regarding Sound Transit's use of the city-owned public rights-of-way within portions of the SeaTac transit system. The City currently has three agreements: 1.) 2006 (Central Link) Agreement 2.) 2012 (South Link) Agreement 3.) 2019 (Federal Way Link Extension) Agreement If we have different 'rules' for different sections of the Right of
	Way it becomes problematic for maintenance, general operations, emergencies, notification periods, and permitting.

The City is unique in that we have three major agreements. Without these agreements, there would be no light rail. Each agreement is slightly different, and we need one TWA agreement so that there is no confusion about what agreements applies in any situation. It is important as well to ensure consistent and contiguous agreement of using the Right of Way.

The key elements of the agreement include:

- How the Right of Way can be used
- Repair any damaged public or private property
- Levels of operation and maintenance for all facilities
- Construction notification periods

The TWA must satisfy the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) requirements which address, construction, maintenance, operation, and ownership.

There was discussion around the maintenance and operation of Sound Transit damaged or broken equipment. The City now has a recent Memorandum of Understanding with Sound Transit regarding prompt response to damaged or broken equipment/infrastructure, which will be a part of the consolidated agreement.

The City wants to consolidate into one agreement so that the best pieces from the three agreements can be assembled into one agreement to ensure that this agreement can benefit the City as we move forward.

The Committee asked for Consent Agenda with presentation.

3. Motion to Approve Power Easement for Sound Transit at S 204th St.

Discussion/Action for Consent Agenda

Ingrid Bulpin, Real Property Management Specialist, presented this item.

Sound Transit has made an offer to purchase an easement for Puget Sound Energy (PSE) for the Aerial Guideway crossing New SR 509 at International Boulevard. This will relocate transmission and distribution lines outside of the Right of Way (ROW).

This Easement will affect 4,200 square feet. It will not affect access from 28th Ave South and future development of the useable area of the triangular parcel

Sound Transit presented an offer to purchase this Easement in December of 2021. The City consulted with a third-party certified appraiser and negotiated a settlement consistent with similar properties.

7. Public Works Department Update	The Committee asked how much it cost to purchase this easement The City was offered \$4,600 to purchase this easement, the final negotiated settlement was \$23,100. There was a discussion about who would be the ultimate owner of this easement and who would be responsible for the maintenance of this easement. Staff responded that Sound Transit is purchasing this Easement on behalf of Puget Soun Energy. Puget Sound Energy will be responsible for the maintenance. The Committee asked if the properties located adjacent to 28 Avenue South would be affected by this easement. Staff responded as this easement is above ground, it would not affect access or use of the properties below. The Committee asked for Consent Agenda with presentation Will Appleton, Public Works Director presented the following department updates: Construction for S 188th Overlays project is nearly complete. The design for 2023 overlays at South 154th/156th (between Des Moines Memorial Drive and 24th Ave South) Street is jus beginning. The department submitted a very large federal grant application grant for the north end of Military Road South this week. The ask is for \$30 Million, with a \$7 Million City match 34th Avenue South Project is still underway and is on track to be substantially complete in November of this year. Square patching and crack sealing of pavement is nearly complete for pavement preservation.