

October 28, 2005

Greg Dymerski, Chief of Police City of SeaTac 4800 S 188th St SeaTac, 98188

RE: Request for concurrence for the approach to security at Sound Transit's SeaTac/Airport Light Rail Station

Dear Chief Dymerski:

Sound Transit wishes to provide security for the system using a mixture of private security and commissioned law enforcement personnel. The threat and vulnerability assessment will outline community-policing strategies that will guide the Link light rail law enforcement and security focus. We understand that the SeaTac Police and the law enforcement community consider crime prevention and problem solving as the best way to ensure public safety. Contracted commissioned law enforcement personnel (transit police) will be called on as first responders for any criminal activity at the SeaTac/Airport station. If Sound Transit personnel need the assistance of local jurisdictions, SeaTac Police will respond as well. If transit police are not on duty when a crime occurs at the SeaTac/Airport station, SeaTac Police will respond and initially investigate the criminal activity. Any unresolved police or security concerns will continue to be worked out at the Fire Life Safety or Safety committee meetings.

Kiss-and-Ride Parking Enforcement.

Sound Transit will provide parking enforcement at the kiss-and-ride in accordance with the Link Security Plan. The kiss-and-ride facility will be signed for 15 minute parking only. If the Operations Control Center (OCC) is called regarding parking violations, the OCC shall contact the transit police to enforce parking ordinances. If no transit police are available to investigate, the OCC can notify the SeaTac Police for assistance and enforcement.

Security.

The project is designed to meet City of SeaTac Title 17 CPTED requirements. Sound Transit's Safety and Security Division oversees all security issues on Sound Transit properties/operations. The Safety & Security Division maintains a private security contractor 24/7/365 who provides physical patrol and CCTV monitoring and response, supplemented by commissioned law enforcement. A uniformed security person will work at the SeaTac/Airport stations during operational hours.

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Sound Transit plans to use a patrol "block" system. Each block of coverage is defined by a geographic parameter and a number of stations. Within these patrol blocks, transit police and private security will perform a mixture of proactive security duties including protection/detection. This will involve foot patrols, light rail vehicle patrols, Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) monitoring, passenger telephone response and assistance to customer requests on Ticket Vending Machines, initial investigations, notification of OCC of unusual events and incidents not covered by other notification systems, and recovery (e.g., crowd control, parameter control, placing cones and signs). Additionally, transit police will provide system policing activities. If criminal activity or police calls for service are requested at kiss-and-ride lots, Sound Transit stations or property, transit police shall be the investigating agency. If transit police are not available, private security or the OCC may request local police response.

Transit police and/or security officers will provide routine and responsive patrol to the SeaTac/Airport Station and ride the light rail vehicles at predetermined intervals to be determined by the Safety & Security Manager in consultation with the transit police manager. Through the course of the day, the initial goal is to have an officer travel between stations every 45 to 60 minutes. An electronic tracking system will show a pattern of patrol by stations, times, and light rail vehicles. Patrol strategies will be adjusted based on crime patterns, incidents, alerts and ridership levels. Particular emphasis is expected to be placed on the Airport station.

Crime Incident Monitoring and Corrective Actions.

Sound Transit has an Intergovernmental Agreement with King County that provides for the County to provide commissioned law enforcement support from their contract provider. Currently that provider is the King County Sheriff's Office. Transit police will maintain a uniformed high-visibility presence, investigate criminal activity, and provide assistance to customers. If police emergencies occur on trains or at Sound Transit stations, the call to 9-1-1 will trigger response from local police or sheriff and the on-duty transit police. The local communications center will contact the Sound Transit OCC to request transit police response when they are on duty. Transit police will respond and investigate crimes associated with trains, the station, or parking lots when officers are on duty. All emergency 9-1-1 calls at Sound Transit stations and property will be routed to the local PSAP or communications center.

The transit police will provide crime trends and patterns to Sound Transit. Through regular meetings the County and Sound Transit will determine the staffing levels needed to coordinate public safety needs and response to emerging trends and changes in the National Security Threat level. Transit police will work with the SeaTac police to collaborate and jointly discuss crime trends and emerging issues. Information sharing and calls for service will be used to best address crime and disorder issues, and that information will be shared with Sound Transit for any future staffing needs or changes.

During the start up phase of Central Link, Sound Transit will provide training to SeaTac Police to include exercises. Sound Transit will fund no more than \$25,000 towards additional emergency transit training to be determined by the City of SeaTac. Sound Transit agrees to provide uniformed security personnel presence at all hours of operation at the station.

We are requesting your concurrence below.

Sincerely,

Concurrence,

Bradford Holman

Safety & Security Manager

Sound Transit

Greg Dymerski Chief of Police City of SeaTac