

**PIERCE TRANSIT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

June 13, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Campbell called the regular board meeting to order at 4:14 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners present:

Marty Campbell, Chair of the Board, Pierce County Councilmember
John Hines, City of Tacoma Councilmember
Kent Keel, City of University Councilmember (*representing University Place and Fircrest*)
Ryan Mello, Pierce County Councilmember
John Palmer, Deputy Mayor for City of Puyallup (*representing Puyallup and Edgewood*)
Kristina Walker, Vice Chair of the Board, City of Tacoma Councilmember
Victoria Woodards, Mayor of the City of Tacoma

Commissioners excused:

Kim Roscoe, Mayor of Fife (*representing Fife/Milton/Pacific/Auburn/Gig Harbor Ruston/Steilacoom*)
Jason Whalen, City of Lakewood Mayor

Staff present:

Mike Griffus, Chief Executive Officer
Chris Schuler, Chief Financial Officer
Deanne Jacobson, Clerk of the Board
Brittany Carbullido, Assistant to the CEO/Deputy Clerk of the Board
Aaron Millstein, Counsel from K&L Gates

OPENING REMARKS AND HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS

Chair Campbell welcomed board members, staff, and citizens to the meeting and provided attendees with instructions for meeting participation.

SPECIAL BUSINESS

1. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Chair Campbell reported that pursuant to Pierce Transit Code Section 2.04.020, the chairperson and vice chairperson shall be elected from among the voting members at the regular board meeting in June of each year with their leadership beginning in July, unless a vacancy occurs sooner.

A board member shall not serve as chairperson for more than two consecutive one-year terms. A board member shall not serve as vice chairperson for more than two consecutive one-year terms.

After confirming that the board members have no desire to change the current leadership positions, it was moved by Commissioners Woodards and Mello to re-elect Marty Campbell to Chair and Kristina Walker to Vice Chair.

Motion carried, 7-0.

2. Honoring Leroy Hall for Operator of the Month for May 2022 and Honoring Honor Roll Operators for 2021; presentation by Scott Gaines, Transportation Assistant Manager

Mr. Gaines honored Mr. Hall for being selected Operator of the Month for May 2022, detailing his contributions and strong work ethic that support earning this achievement and highlighting that Mr. Hall has enjoyed 23 years of accident-free driving.

Mr. Gaines also honored the following operators who earned the Honor Roll designation for 2021, which is awarded for having a perfect year, no sick absences, no lates, no preventable accidents, and no disciplines:

- Tabitha Bruhn
- Carl Cariaga
- Clay Chowning
- Wilson Corpuz
- Charles Dixon
- Bun Hem
- Tommy Jackson
- Alberto Rodriguez
- Greg Snyder
- Ritchie Warmouth
- Ricardo Munoz

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Campbell provided participation instructions to the public and opened public comment. The following individual(s) provided comment:

Bryan Johnson inquired whether Pierce Transit would continue with offering hybrid meetings and talked about the convenience of a virtual option.

He expressed concern about the lack of public restrooms at transit centers and the hardship that this could pose on individuals with disabilities and asked if the board could address this situation.

Chair Campbell confirmed that Pierce Transit will continue to offer a virtual option for its public meetings through the end of this year and beyond.

Clerk Jacobson noted that staff will follow up with Mr. Johnson regarding his concerns about public restrooms.

No other comments were provided and public comment was closed.

CONSENT AGENDA

(Items listed below were distributed to Commissioners in advance for reading and study and are enacted with one motion. Item(s) may be moved to the Action Agenda at the request of a commissioner.)

Commissioners Mello and Hines moved and seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Motion carried, 7-0.

1. Approval of Vouchers, May 1, 2022 – May 31, 2022
Operating Fund #10
Self-Insurance Fund #40
Capital Fund #90
Payment Nos. 378396 through 378569
Wire Nos. 10499 through 10729
No Advance Travel Checks
Total \$7,487,658.31

2. Approval of Minutes: May 9, 2022, regular board meeting.

ACTION AGENDA

1. FS 2022-029, ^A Approval of Resolution No. 2022-005, Appointing Maddie Merton and Ivan Tudela Each to a CTAG Term Beginning July 28, 2022, and Ending July 24, 2025, and Amin (Tony) Hester to a CTAG Alternate Beginning July 28, 2022, for any Vacancy That Occurs Within the Next 12 months; presentation by Nathan BeVelle, Community Development Administrator

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Mr. BeVelle presented on the item and gave an overview of the selection process. He responded to questions relating to the alternate position.

Commissioners Mello and Hines moved and seconded to Approve Resolution No. 2022-005, appointing Maddie Merton and Ivan Tudela each to a CTAG term beginning July 28, 2022, and ending July 24, 2025, and Amin (Tony) Hester to a CTAG alternate beginning July 28, 2022, for any vacancy that occurs within the next 12 months.

Motion carried, 7-0.

2. FS 2022-030, Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to Execute Contract No. 1097 with Pease Construction, Inc., and Authorize a Total Contract Spending

Authority of \$2,924,187.00, to Construct Modernization of the Five Elevators at Tacoma Dome Station East and West Garages; presentation by Hope Gibson, Sr. Capital Project Manager

Ms. Gibson presented on the item and noted that the current elevators were built in the late 90s/early 2000s and are reaching the end of their useful life. She reviewed the procurement process and noted that Pease Construction was the lowest bidder.

Commissioners Mello and Hines moved and seconded to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute a contract No. 1097 with Pease Construction, Inc., and authorize a total contract spending authority of \$2,924,187.00, to construct modernization of the five elevators at Tacoma Dome Station east and west garages.

Motion carried, 7-0.

1. CEO'S Report

CEO Mike Griffus reported on the following items:

- Gave a short recap of the 3:30 p.m. study session upon request from Chair Campbell.
- Reported that the June 9 Transit Trivia Night event held to celebrate Ride Transit Month was a success, noting that teams were comprised of staff from Pierce Transit, Sound Transit and the Tacoma BRT team members.
- He reported that Pierce Transit will join others across Washington State in recognizing the Juneteenth Holiday on June 20th this year and talked about the significance of this day in our history.
- Reported that on Saturday, June 25 from 3-5 p.m., the agency will be honoring operators who will be inducted into the Million Mile Club and encouraged board commissioners to attend if they can.
- Reported that staff has been working hard to implement the new public safety model. He noted that security services using Allied Universal is expected to begin July 11 and gave an overview of the staffing coverage that will occur at transit centers and for coaches on routes.
- Introduced Grantley Martelly, Pierce Transit's new Chief Operating Officer, and reported that Mr. Martelly joined Pierce Transit on May 16 and joins Pierce Transit with a strong background in public transportation and transit safety.

Mr. Martelly provided introductory remarks, noting his thanks and gratitude for joining Pierce Transit and further elaborating on his background and experience.

On behalf of the Board of Commissioners, Chair Campbell welcomed Mr. Martelly to Pierce Transit.

INFORMATIONAL BOARD ITEMS

1. Chair's Report

Chair Campbell reported on the following items:

- The next Service Delivery and Capital Committee meeting will be held Thursday, June 16, 2022, at 3:00 p.m.
- A public hearing is scheduled for the July 11 Board meeting to hear testimony regarding the Title VI Equity Analysis that is required to implement the Free Youth Transit Passes. Staff was thanked for their efforts in launching the program.

2. Sound Transit Update

Commissioner Keel reported on the following matters:

- The Sound Transit Board of Directors CEO Selection Committee has recommended hiring Julie Timm as the organization's next CEO. The recommendation will be considered by the full Sound Transit Board on June 23.
- Update on West Seattle/Ballard Link Extension.
- Reported that it is important that Sound Transit pays attention to the needs of Pierce Transit for joint/shared services as well as for the BRT and MOBI projects and offered his services to help with facilitation if needed.

3. Puget Sound Regional Council Transportation Policy Board Update

Commissioner Mello provided an update on the last PSRC meeting and noted the Regional Plan was adopted. He noted the Board will continue to revisit the FTA funding model with an equity lens and noted that the money coming from the Bipartisan Infrastructure funding package should also have an equity lens with regards to how the funds are distributed.

4. Commissioners' Comments

No comments were provided.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioners Mello and Hines moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 4:49 p.m.

Motion carried, 7-0.



Deanne Jacobson
Clerk of the Board



Marty Campbell, Chair
Board of Commissioners