

## **SCA Board of Directors MINUTES**

September 18, 2013 10:00 AM

SCA Offices

6300 Southcenter Blvd, Suite 206, Tukwila 98188

### **1. Call to Order**

Denis Law, SCA President, called the meeting to order at 10:09 a.m.

Members present: David Baker, Dini Duclos, Don Gerend, Mia Gregerson, Dave Hill, Matt Larson

Members absent: Chris Eggen, Ken Hearing, David Johnston, Pete Lewis, John Marchione, Jamie Perry

Staff present: Deanna Dawson, Kristy Burwell

### **2. Public Comment**

President Law asked if any member of the public had any public comment. Seeing none, President Law closed the public comment portion of the meeting.

### **3. Consent Agenda**

Dave Hill moved, seconded by Mia Gregerson, to approve the Consent Agenda. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **4. President's Report**

President Law did not give a report.

### **5. Executive Director's Report**

ED Dawson reported that the SCA Open House will be following the meeting in the SCA Offices.

ED Dawson next reported on the Senate Transportation Hearings and that there was a large turnout of approximately 400 attendees. Many SCA members were in attendance and gave testimony.

ED Dawson reported that the SCA leadership has been discussing a trip with the Port of Seattle leadership, but unfortunately it doesn't appear that calendars can be aligned by the end of 2013. Board leadership will continue to meet with Port Commissioners and to develop relationships between cities and the Port.

ED Dawson reported that she recently gave a presentation at the City of Issaquah's Committee of the Whole meeting regarding SCA, and more specifically, appointments to regional boards and committees to which SCA appoints or recommends.

The PIC Nominating Committee will meet soon regarding the 2014 regional boards and committees. ED Dawson reported that Dave Hill will be rotating off the PIC Nominating Committee, and Leanne Guier has volunteered to serve as a representative from South Valley. The Board discussed ways to make the nominations process more understandable, especially to newer members. Don Gerend commented that the annual Regional Boards & Committee Appointment booklet that staff puts together is helpful. ED Dawson volunteered to speak to additional councils about the process, and additionally noted that she and staff are happy to meet with individual members who have questions. Don Gerend suggested expanding the number of second alternates on committees where there is a high level of interest. Mia Gregerson suggested that one person from each city could be the liaison to bring information to the council and answer questions about the process. This member could potentially be the PIC representative. President Law stated that the website, launched earlier this year, is a good tool for individuals to learn more about SCA, but maybe a brochure or booklet could be helpful to outline who SCA is, what SCA does, and information on committee structure. ED Dawson commented that she is working on a high level one page document to aid in this issue for new elected officials and those more seasoned elected officials who are becoming involved in SCA.

Members noted that discussion of number of board seats, and the caucus system, should be a 2014 SCA Board Retreat topic.

ED Dawson reported that Board leadership has been actively working on ways to improve relations between the City of Seattle and SCA member cities. To that end, Board leadership extended invitations to meet with Mayor McGinn, City Council President Sally Clark, and Seattle Mayoral Candidate Ed Murray. They recently met with Ed Murray and have an upcoming meeting with Clark. Mayor McGinn's staff suggested deferring a meeting until after the November election, and Board leadership concurred with this suggestion. The Board leadership also suggested extending an invitation to both Mayoral candidates to speak at the November 20<sup>th</sup> SCA dinner. The Board agreed with this suggestion.

ED Dawson asked members to share topics that they'd like to hear Attorney General Bob Ferguson talk about at the September 25, 2013 SCA Networking Dinner at the TPC Snoqualmie Ridge Golf Club.

ED Dawson reported that SCA is sending flowers to King County Councilmember Larry Gossett, who recently suffered from a minor stroke.

ED Dawson reported that she is scheduled to meet with the new Director of Government Relations for King County. ED Dawson continued that she is working closely with King County Council staff.

ED Dawson reported that Congressman Rick Larsen and Congresswoman Suzan DelBene are co-sponsoring a "TIGER CUBS" bill which would fund transportation projects for cities with populations under 50,000.

## 6. **City Manager's Report**

There was no City Manager's report given.

**7. Finance Committee Report**

Don Gerend, Treasurer and Chair of the Finance Committee, reported that the SCA Finance Committee met prior to the September 18, 2013 SCA Board meeting and discussed amendments to the 2013 budget for expenses budgeted in 2012, but were expended in 2013.

Dini Duclos moved, seconded by Mia Gregerson, to amend the 2013 budget by carrying forward the unexpended budgeted dollars for tenant improvements in the amount of \$34,806.37 and consulting services in the amount of \$17,500.

There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer Gerend reported that the committee is reviewing financial policies and may bring forward a recommendation at the next meeting regarding reserve policies.

**8. Public Issues Committee (PIC) Report**

Mia Gregerson, PIC Chair, reported that there are two action items recommended by the PIC.

Mia Gregerson moved, seconded by Dave Hill, to appoint Mayor David Baker of Kenmore to the King County PSAP Recommendations Committee, as recommended by the PIC on September 11, 2013.

The motion passed unanimously.

Dave Hill moved, seconded by Dini Duclos, to adopt the following public policy position:

The Sound Cities Associations urges the Sound Transit Board to support the City of Shoreline's preferred alternative for Lynwood Link Extension light rail station locations at NE 145th Street and NE 185th Street. NE 145th street provides better connections throughout the region, is more closely aligned with Shoreline's long term planning goals, and would prevent negative traffic impacts on Shoreline residents.

Members discussed the issue including: no I-5 exit at 155<sup>th</sup> Street; since 2008, Shoreline has been planning around the 145<sup>th</sup> Street site; Shoreline is acquiring property on 145<sup>th</sup> Street; and, siting the station on 155<sup>th</sup> Street would increase traffic volume on neighborhood city streets. Chair Gregerson noted that the motion passed unanimously by the PIC, with Duvall and Covington abstaining.

The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Gregerson announced that there will be a Pre-PIC workshop on October 9, 2013 regarding the King County Strategic Plan.

Chair Gregerson reported that the Solid Waste ILA has not been signed by the King County Council. Dini Duclos noted that the City of Federal Way was very concerned about this.

**9. For the good of the order**

David Baker announced that King County has launched a new [website](#) for new appointees on boards and commissions.

David Baker commented on the discussion on product stewardship at the September 11, 2013 PIC meeting. ED Dawson added that there may be a position recommendation coming through the Local Hazardous Waste Management Program Committee (LHWMP) requiring manufacturers to take back products. This may be a more appropriate issue for AWC to lobby for support.

Mia Gregerson commented the Part 150 Study regarding noise mitigation. The Port of Seattle is looking to work with Alaska Airlines to have a hush house built. Alaska Airlines is interested in this public-private relationship if there is a reduction in quiet hours. Gregerson asked if the members of the SCA Leadership could discuss this with Port Commissioners in their meetings.

Dave Hill shared that Algona is having issues with “clean and sober houses” within their city, and asked that SCA consider getting involved on the issue. Dini Duclos noted that Federal Way had also been dealing with this issue. Dawson asked Hill and Duclos to have their staff contact SCA staff with additional background. They agreed to do so.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.