

# WASHINGTON STATE PUBLIC STADIUM AUTHORITY

July 23, 2015

## BOARD MEETING

CenturyLink Field  
Public Stadium Authority  
800 Occidental Ave. S.  
Seattle, WA 98134

## MINUTES

### I. Call to Order

Board Chair Lorraine Hine called the meeting to order at 12:35 p.m. Other Board members present were: Vice Chair Fred Mendoza, Jake Jundt, Joel Ing, Randy Loomans, and Jud Marquardt. Bill Lotto was absent. Staff members in attendance included Executive Director Ann Kawasaki Romero, Project Manager Steve Woo and Office Manager Jodi Todd.

### II. Approval of Minutes

#### Minutes

Minutes of the May 28, 2015 regular Board meeting.

Motion by Vice Chair Mendoza, second by Member Loomans to approve the minutes of the May 28, 2015 regular Board meeting.

Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

### III. Public Participation

There was no public participation.

### IV. Administrative Briefings

#### 1. Stadium District Update

PSA Land Use Counsel, Molly Lawrence, updated the Board on the status of the following:

#### Stadium District Concept Plan

- It was originally planned for Council review as part of the 2014 Comprehensive Plan amendment cycle, but it has been deferred to the major Comprehensive Plan update now planned for spring/summer 2016.
- Seattle Department of Planning & Development issued their draft 20 year comp plan-- "Seattle 2035"-- on July 8<sup>th</sup>. The PSA will be submitting a comment letter before the September 30, 2015 deadline, and a final recommendation to the City Council is expected in late 2015 with Council review during 2016.

### Arena Project

- There is still no clear plan for an NBA or NHL team.
- The City issued the FEIS on May 7, 2015 which will roll into the Master Use Permit.
- Design Commission review is resuming with a meeting on August 6<sup>th</sup> to review the project including vacation of Occidental Ave. The Commission has asked DPD and SDOT for a list of project mitigation, and it's expected there will be a recommendation from SDOT regarding the street vacation in September.
- Seattle Department of Planning & Development is expected to issue the Master Use Permit by the end of the year.
- The current Memorandum of Understanding expires October 2017.

### Waterfront Development Plan

- The City issued the Draft EIS for Alaskan Way, Promenade and Overlook Walk components on June 29<sup>th</sup>. The comment period is through August 12<sup>th</sup> and the PSA will most likely submit a comment letter regarding parking, traffic and connection via Railroad Way.
- There is no schedule posted for proceeding with project development/implementation at this time.

## 2. Major Maintenance & Modernization Plan Update

Jeff Dunn, VP Business Strategy & Analytics, took the Board on a tour of the Toyota Fan Deck project. This included the new seating area, fan deck, concessions, and ceremonial flag area. One of the new suites in the club level "corners" was also toured.

## 3. General Manager's Report

David Young, FGI General Manager, briefed the Board on the following:

- The facility hosted has 5 Sounders FC matches since the last Board meeting.
- The Mecum Car Auction, Manchester United match, One Direction concert and Kenny Chesney concert were all very successful.
- Staff is looking forward to the Taylor Swift concert, the Amazon staff picnic, the Seattle Art Fair and a Microsoft Tech Ready event in the upcoming weeks.
- Seahawks preseason football begins on August 14<sup>th</sup>.

Vice Chair Mendoza mentioned that he has noticed an increase of fans purchasing concessions outside of the stadium and suggested that FGI consider marketing their concessions in a new way. Member Loomans added that she would like FGI to look at making a kid friendly play area like Safeco Field has.

Mr. Young also informed the Board they have received a rough draft of the Master Plan for the site and facility and are working with the consultants to further refine some of the ideas. They expect to be ready to show the Board some of the concepts at an upcoming meeting.

## V. Chair and Director's Reports

### A. Chair's Report and Director's Report

Chair Hine reported that she attended a meeting with PSA staff and legal counsel at the State Auditor's Office (SAO) in Olympia to discuss the PSA's classification for audit purposes. Ms. Kawasaki Romero added that the SAO would like to categorize the PSA as a local government, which is not what we have been classified for the last 18 years. Currently, the PSA is reported in the state CAFR as a component unit of the state.

## VI. Unfinished Business

There were no items for review under this section.

## VII. New Business

### A. Voucher Approval of Expenses

Vouchers included in blanket Vouchers 508-512 and payroll for the periods ended May 15, 2015, May 31, 2015, June 15, 2015 and June 30, 2015 in a total amount of \$149,294.35.

Motion by Vice Chair Mendoza, second by Member Jundt to approve Vouchers included in blanket Vouchers 508-512 and payroll for the periods ended May 15, 2015, May 31, 2015, June 15, 2015 and June 30, 2015 in a total amount of \$149,294.35.

Motion carried 6-0.

### B. Naming Rights Reimbursement

There were no items for review under this section.

### C. Resolutions

There were no items for review under this section.

## VIII. Executive Session

There was no Executive Session.

## IX. Adjournment

The regular meeting of the Public Stadium Authority Board adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Approved this 24<sup>th</sup> day of September 2015.

  
Lorraine Hine, Chair

  
Jodi Todd, Clerk of the Board