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RAILROAD ADVISORY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, MAY 11, 2015

4:00 PM -5:30 PM

1300 FRANKLIN STREET – PUBLIC SERVICE CENTER

6TH FLOOR – BOARD TRAINING ROOM

Members Present:	Dick Clairmont, Todd Coleman, Chad Eiken, Lloyd Lycan, Denise McCarty, John Shaffer, Tom Smith, Dan Weaver, Jon Yamashita
Excused Members:	Scott Dalesandro, Bill Ganley, Jack Melton
Absent Members:	
Ex-Officio:	Eric Temple, Will Pickering
Public:	Wayne Harner (Port of Vancouver)Randy Williams (BYCX), Doug Auburg (BYCX), Robert Doyle (TSA), Fred Meurer
Staff:	Jeff Swanson
Agenda Item	Facilitator
Meeting called to order @ 4:02pm	Todd Coleman
Roll Call/Introductions	Todd Coleman
Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes	Todd Coleman
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moved for approval (John Shaffer), seconded (Tom Smith), unanimously approved 	
Communications/Announcements/Citizen Input	Todd Coleman
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	
PVJR Activities	Eric Temple
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Magnesium chloride customer (new) set up and first car en route All customers' business volumes are increasing Follow up on rail overlay and employment zoning code task force discussion: Oliver Orjiako may have draft language that preserves rail industrial land for rail use Rural Industrial Land Bank: concerns expressed about information at open house showing tendency towards smaller parcel sizes in master planning work as well as particularly no rail use; suggestion to have Gordy Euler present to RRAB as well as a CREDC Lands for Jobs committee meeting; RRAB, PVJR, CREDC and Port of Vancouver interested in commenting on work 	
BYCX Activities	Randy Williams
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Service started Mother's Day with good ridership levels and media coverage Steam engine scheduled to run Father's Day weekend Completing tie replacement around tunnel Tie Master running again after being vandalized; building fenced-in area for more secure equipment storage 	
County Activities	Jeff Swanson
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussed current information on transportation legislation in context of other legislative priorities as well as the SW FACT effort to promote freight mobility County staff participating in review panel for WSDOT Rail legislatively-mandated assessment of short line railroads state-wide; study conducted by WSU Staff working on a potential TIGER VII application pending possible state funding for Bridge 12 replacement to use as match and leverage a total spend of \$12.5 to \$15 M Grant-funded projects underway at Rye Yard and between interchange and BPA site; expect work to begin in Battle Ground towards the end of May; NE 78th Street/NE 47th Avenue intersection project has started with two weekend closures mid- to late-May to 	

replace the main line and Linde Gas siding grade crossings	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff compiling information and working with FRA to prepare for audit 	
Subcommittee Reports	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By-laws subcommittee: County Manager approves of the proposed language addressing filling RRAB vacancies; Dan Weaver and John Shaffer are working on other revisions along with Dick Clairmont's proposed revisions to the mission statement; group to meet again to finalize recommended changes and bring back to full RRAB Board composition subcommittee: RRAB previously deliberated concerning three specific qualifications or competencies sought for three vacant positions, which were reflected in the recruitment postings produced by the PIO. These were: (1) a representative from the Neighborhood Associations Council of Clark County (NACCC), (2) an individual with industrial real estate brokerage and site selection experience, and (3) an individual with industrial site development and engineering experience. At the April regular meeting of the RRAB a board composition subcommittee was nominated to review applicant submissions, interview and ultimately recommend candidates for appointment to the Railroad Advisory Board to the County Manager. The subcommittee made the following recommendation: (1) Neil Chambers be appointed to fill the vacant position expiring 12/31/2015 as the NACCC representative, (2) Eric Fuller, an industrial real estate broker, be appointed to fill the vacant position expiring 12/31/2017, and (3) Dave Nelson, a licensed PE with industrial development experience, be appointed to fill the vacant position expiring 12/31/2016. Motion to approve the subcommittee recommendation was made by John Shaffer, seconded by Dick Clairmont and unanimously approved by the RRAB. Staff were directed to submit this recommendation to the County Manager and ask that the BOCC office send letters to the other applicants expressing gratitude for their interest and willingness to serve. 	
Unfinished Business	Todd Coleman
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jeff to schedule a presentation to the BOCC for July 1st, 10:00 am at a County Manager briefing describing the work of the RRAB 	
New Business	Todd Coleman
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	
Good of the Order	ALL
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	
Round Table	ALL
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	
ADJOURNMENT @ 5:11 pm	