



# Committee of the Whole

Deb Bell

Council Initiated:

☐ Yes

☒ No

**ECAF:** 2026-0291

**Motion:** 26-061

**Type:**

☐ Contract

☒ Board Appt.

☐ Code Amendment

☐ Budget Action

☐ Other

**Requested Handling:**

☒ Normal

☐ Expedite

☐ Urgent

**Fund Source:**

☐ General Fund

☐ Other

☒ N/A

**Executive Rec:**

☒ Approve

☐ Do Not Approve

☐ N/A

**Approved as to**

**Form:**

☐ Yes

☐ No

☒ N/A

**Subject:** Board Appointment – Sound Transit Board of Directors.

**Scope:** The proposed motion would appoint David Parshall to the Sound Transit Board of Directors.

**Duration:** January 1, 2026, and expiring December 31, 2027.

**Fiscal Impact:** ☐ Current Year ☐ Multi-Year ☒ N/A

**Authority Granted:** N/A

**Background:** Governance of Sound Transit is by an 18-member Board of Directors (Board). Membership in the Board consists of local elected officials and the Secretary of Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT). RCW 81.112.040 enacts the requirements and process for appointing Board members. The Board includes 3 members from Snohomish County, 10 from King County, 4 from Pierce County, and the WSDOT secretary.

For each county, the County Executive appoints members to the board, and the County Council confirms the appointments. Except for the WSDOT Secretary, Board members shall be: (a) an elected official who serves on the legislative authority of a city or as a mayor of a city within the boundaries of the authority; (b) on the legislative authority of the county, if fifty percent of the population of the legislative official's district is within the authority boundaries; or (c) a county executive from a member county within the authority boundaries.

Executive Dave Somers recommends appointment of City of Lynnwood Councilmember David Parshall to the Sound Transit Board of Directors to represent the position vacated by Mayor Christine Frizell.

**Action Requested:** For Council to move Motion 26-061 to GLS on Wednesday, February 4, 2026, for consideration.