10. CALL TO ORDER – The second meeting of the City of Lynnwood Transportation Benefit District (TBD) Board, held in the Council Chambers of Lynnwood City Hall, was called to order by Board President Simmonds at 6:00 p.m. on August 9, 2010.

20. ROLL CALL

Board President Loren Simmonds
Board Vice President Stephanie Wright
Board Member Kimberly Cole
Board Member Ted Hikel
Board Member Kerri Lonergan
Board Member Jim Smith
Board Member Mark Smith

Others Attending:
Public Works Director Bill Franz
Deputy PW Director Jeff Elekes
Project Manager David Mach
Council Assistant Beth Morris
City Attorney Rosemary Larson

30. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting July 12, 2010

Motion made by Board Member Hikel, seconded by Board Vice President Wright, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

40. PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE #1 OF THE CITY OF LYNNWOOD TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT DISTRICT AUTHORIZING A VEHICLE LICENSE FEE AND FIXING A TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL BE EFFECTIVE.

A. Public Hearing

Board President Simmonds opened the public hearing at 6:04 p.m. He reviewed the purpose of the hearing, the order of speaking, and introduced staff.

Staff Presentation:

Deputy Public Works Director Elekes gave a PowerPoint presentation as distributed to the TBD Board and noted that the material would also be available on the city’s website.

Board President Simmonds solicited written comments. There were none.

Public Testimony:

Willis Cole, 18020 48th Avenue West, Lynnwood, WA, spoke in support of providing pedestrian improvements between 180th Street SW and 183rd Street SW on 48th Avenue West and of the $20 license tab fee with a clear plan for the funding. For the record, he
submitted two *Enterprise* articles, one from July 2009 and one from January 2000, and discussed the history of citizens’ efforts to get pedestrian improvements on that section of 48<sup>th</sup> Avenue W. Staff discussed the criteria for determining the priority order of projects to be funded, noting that grant funds have a lot to do with this.

Board Comments:

Board Member Jim Smith commented that there are still many streets in Lynnwood with no pedestrian improvements. Staff concurred and noted that about 20% of the streets in Lynnwood do not have pedestrian improvements. 48<sup>th</sup> Avenue West stands out because of its high volume of traffic and proximity to schools.

Board Member Lonergan asked about putting this to a vote of the people in order to raise an amount which would be adequate to fund more projects. Staff commented that they might recommend that in the future, but at this point they are interested in just getting this going. Board Member Lonergan suggested that citizens might prefer to have input on this now rather than later for a more significant amount that could make an impact on transportation needs. Staff explained that they think it makes more sense to do this gradually as Edmonds has done. Board President Simmonds commented that they have missed the deadline for putting a measure on the ballot for November and it would have to wait until February to go on a ballot.

Board President Simmonds closed the public hearing at 7:34 p.m.

B. Possible Approval of Said Ordinance

Motion made by Board Member Mark Smith, seconded by Board Member Cole, to adopt Ordinance No. 1, “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LYNNWOOD, WASHINGTON, TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT DISTRICT AUTHORIZING A VEHICLE LICENSE FEE AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PROJECTS TO BE FUNDED; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND PROVIDING FOR SUMMARY PUBLICATION.”

Board Member Mark Smith spoke in support of the motion and the associated projects.

Board Member Cole also spoke in support of the motion given the need for the projects and the lack of funding in the budget.

Board Member Jim Smith spoke against the motion referring to the tough economic times everyone is facing. He urged the Board to send this out to a vote of the people.

Board Member Hikel asked about including about a provision that would end this fee if a ballot measure were passed for the sales tax option. City Attorney Larson was not aware of anything that would prohibit that. Board Member Hikel expressed support for a sales tax option in lieu of this because it would collect money from everyone using the roads, not just Lynnwood residents.
Board Member Lonergan commented that she would only support this if it went to a vote of the people.

Board Vice President Wright acknowledged the pressing transportation needs, but expressed support for the sales tax option. She suggested looking into the $20 fee for now and then exploring the sales tax option for a ballot measure.

Board President Simmonds spoke against the $20 fee due to its inability to generate adequate funds to address the city’s long-term transportation needs and its focus only on residents. He also spoke in support of allowing this to go to the voters.

Board Member Mark Smith commented that he would support a sales tax proposal ballot measure at some time and if it passed he would support repealing the $20 measure.

Board Member Jim Smith commented that the permanent solution to this is better financial management of the city coupled with an end to the recession. He spoke against the fee and also against a sales tax increase.

*Upon a roll call vote the motion failed (2-5) with Board Members Cole and Mark Smith voting for the motion and Board Members Hikel, Lonergan, Simmonds, Jim Smith and Wright voting against the motion.*

*Scheduling motion made by Board Member Hikel for the TBD Board to meet on October 11 at 6 p.m. to consider a measure that might be put on the ballot. The motion was seconded and carried.*

60. ADJOURNMENT

*Motion made by Board Member Lonergan to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.*

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Loren Simmonds, TBD Board President

Patrick Dugan
Interim Finance Director, acting as Board Treasurer