



SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY
CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL

MINUTES

Thursday, February 6, 2020
Room 7080, Union Square Conference Room
1 South Van Ness Avenue, 7th Floor

REGULAR MEETING
5:30 P.M.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Daniel Weaver (Chair), Frank Zepeda (Vice Chair), Neil Ballard, Mark Ballew,
Michael Chen, Queena Chen, Steve Cornell, Joan Downey, Aaron Leifer, Christopher Man, Daniel
Murphy, Susan Vaughan, and Dorris Vincent

COUNCIL LIAISON
Roberta Boomer

COUNCIL SECRETARY
Keka Robinson-Luqman

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

Chair Weaver called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m.

2. Roll Call

CAC members present at Roll Call: Neil Ballard, Mark Ballew, Michael Chen, Queena Chen, Stephen Cornell, Aaron Leifer, Christopher Man, Daniel Murphy, Susan Vaughan Daniel Weaver, and Frank Zepeda

CAC members absent with notification: Joan Downey and Dorris Vincent

3. Announcement of prohibition of sound producing devices during the meeting.

CAC Secretary Robinson-Luqman made the announcement.

4. Approval of Minutes:

No public comment.

On motion to approve the minutes of December 5, 2019:

ADOPTED: AYES – Neil Ballard, Mark Ballew, Michael Chen, Queena Chen, Stephen Cornell, Aaron Leifer, Christopher Man, Daniel Murphy, Susan Vaughan, Daniel Weaver, and Frank Zepeda

ABSENT – Joan Downey and Dorris Vincent

5. Report of the Chair (For discussion only)

Chair Weaver reported that the he would call item nine before item eight.

6. Public Comment:

Edward Mason provided an update on the commuter shuttle bus program in Noe Valley. We're up to over 700 buses. We just spent 2.2 billion dollars on a regional transit center and we still have regional transit in the neighborhoods. These buses are operating without stickers. It's an abuse.

Written 150-Word Public Testimony by Edward Mason for Minutes of SFMTA Citizens' Advisory Council Regular Meeting February 6, 2020: Agenda Item 6, Public Comment:

Public comment MTA CAC 2-6-20 E. Mason. Private commuter Bus January 2020 statistics. 16 observation periods. 57 stop event lacking MTA Sticker; Storer 37; Loop 10; WeDriveU 7; Lux Leasing 3. 15 restricted Noe Valley street operations; Storer 9; Loop 5; WeDriveU 1. 3 out of state license plates. Storer 408 – Florida CPX 9044; WeDriveU 1956 – Texas 84-075; Lux Leasing 399 Florida CPX 9720. 1 missing license plate; Storer 102. 24/Church congestion and Muni delay caused by simultaneous arrivals of 100 authorized buses in A.M. hours at two loading zones.

John Paar lives in the Outer Sunset. A few months ago, he met San Francisco City treasurer Jose Cisneros. The City has collected 60 billion dollars in business tax revenue. He responded to Cisneros by asking what the City can do better. A small fraction of that money invested in specific areas within Muni would enhance public safety and transit effectiveness. His wife was hit and nearly killed while getting off a Muni LRV. He asked the CAC to allocate \$200 to \$800 Million to completely rebuild the Outer Sunset corridor to 21st Century standards. Mr. Paar said to do better means to build platforms to accommodate three-car trains, to build platforms that are safe, completely elevated, and removed from ongoing cars.

Brian Bills stated that Muni is one of 27 transit agencies in the 9 county Bay area. Assembly member Chu introduced a bill calling for a seamless transit experience. The 81x is something that Muni is doing well. He stated that he would love to see Muni do better at fare integration.

REGULAR CALENDAR

7. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding Mayor Breed's Transportation Policies. (Paul Supawanich, Transportation Advisor, Office of the Mayor. No explanatory documents.)

Paul Supawanich, Transportation Advisor, Office of the Mayor, discussed Mayor Breed's transportation priorities. He stated that safety is the top priority of the Mayor. She is very concerned about how to improve traffic safety and get the transportation system up to an expectation of being safe and reliable. Equity externally and internally within the SFMTA is also a top priority of Mayor Breed. Taking the time to invest in human resources and a structure within the SFMTA where everyone can do their best work internally, and externally making sure that everyone has equitable access to transit is very important to her.

No public comment.

8. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding the SFMTA's Annual Report. (Jean Brophy, Manager, Marketing. Explanatory documents include a slide presentation.)

Bradley Dunn, Public Information Officer, and Jean Brophy, Marketing Manager, presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Edward Mason stated that the SFMTA should use actual numbers in the future regarding crime and collisions in the annual report. There needs to be greater emphasis on the pedestrian regarding Vision Zero. Blame is always put on drivers, but pedestrians should be not so focused on their devices to the exclusion of protecting themselves.

9. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding the SFMTA FY 2021 and 2022 Operating and Capital budgets. (Leo Levenson, Director, Finance & Information Technology. Explanatory documents include a slide presentation.)

Julie Kirschbaum, Director, Transit, and Leo Levenson, Director, Finance and Information Technology, presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Edward Mason stated that the J church project is removing parking and stops. The transportation sustainability fee is inadequate. Growth is not funding growth. There should be a franchise fee charged to commuter shuttle buses for the privilege of operating. He inquired if the Automatic Train Control System (ATCS) will be upgraded or replaced. The Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) has a day pass on the Clipper card.

Brian Bills said he is super excited about fare caps. He is curious if the SFMTA can reduce the price of BART transfers. He stated that he walked to SFMTA headquarters from Civic Center Bart Station because he didn't want to pay \$2.50 to take the Muni one stop to Van Ness. He is curious about how the SFMTA counts ridership.

Carl Matvig said he was a transit planner with Muni for 20 years. If the seating was increased, it would increase ridership and revenue. Signals should be synchronized for transit and not for automobiles. Muni accidents went down by 41% when it was done in the past. If it was done, it could increase the average speed of Muni. It would take about two weeks to get it done on Market street.

10. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding the Engineering, Maintenance and Safety Committee (EMSC) report and recommendations.

No public comment.

EMSC Motion 200122.01

The SFMTA CAC encourages the SFMTA Board to adopt the Bayview Community Based Transportation Plan.

CAC MOTION 200206.01

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On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Neil Ballard, Mark Ballew, Michael Chen, Queena Chen, Stephen Cornell, Aaron Leifer, Christopher Man, Daniel Murphy, Susan Vaughan, Daniel Weaver, and Frank Zepeda

ABSENT – Joan Downey and Dorris Vincent

11. Council Member Information and Agenda Item Requests. (For discussion only)

Sue Vaughan requested an update to 191205.03. She inquired where can she find the legislation referred to in the response.

Sue Vaughan asked how many commuter shuttles have placards and the average number that are operating per day.

Sue Vaughan asked for a list of all the commuter shuttle bus stops and how many are stopping and where (where are they concentrated).

Sue Vaughan asked is there anyone doing a safety analysis of the emerging mobilities including the scooters and the station-less bikes.

Sue Vaughan requested to know where there are benches or bus shelters with seats along the 29 Sunset line.

Stephen Cornell asked for a list of each exception for fees of street closures including city agencies.

Queena Chen asked if there is a limit to how many bikes or scooters a company can put on a bike rack.

Queena Chen asked how much the SFMTA has collected in fines for illegally parked scooters and bikes.

Daniel Weaver requested a presentation on cellular service in the tunnel.

ADJOURN - The meeting was adjourned at p.m.

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'KAROLU' with a stylized flourish at the end.

Keka Robinson-Luqman
SFMTA CAC – Secretary

Next regular meeting: Thursday, March 5th at 5:30pm
1 South Van Ness Avenue, 7th Floor, Union Square Conference Room, #7080