



**SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND
PARKING AUTHORITY COMMISSION**

MINUTES

Tuesday, January 19, 2021

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**REGULAR MEETING
1 P.M.**

SFMTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Gwyneth Borden, Chair
Amanda Eaken, Vice Chair
Cheryl Brinkman
Steve Heminger
Fiona Hinze
Sharon Lai
Manny Yekutieli

Jeffrey Tumlin
DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION

Caroline Celaya
acting **SECRETARY**

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

Chair Borden called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Gwyneth Borden
Cheryl Brinkman
Amanda Eaken
Steve Heminger
Fiona Hinze
Sharon Lai
Manny Yekutieli

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

No announcement was made.

4. Approval of Minutes

PUBLIC COMMENT:

David Pilpel suggested that staff add page numbers. He also suggested minor edits including noting exactly which item members of the public supported or opposed on the consent calendar. During closed session, he suggested listing the attendance of non-board members under the specific item that they attended.

On motion to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2021 Regular Meeting: unanimously approved.

5. Communications

Chair Borden announced the cancellation of the February 2, 2021 regular board meeting and announced the workshop dates and times. Chair Borden also discussed the virtual meeting and expressed appreciation to staff for their work to enable the meeting to be held via teleconference. Board Secretary Celaya reviewed how members of the public could watch the meeting and address the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

David Pilpel inquired about the start times for the workshop as the website states the start time as 9:00 am but the Chair announced the start time as 1:00 pm.

6. Introduction of New or Unfinished Business by Board Members

-Election of SFMTA Board Chair and Vice Chair pursuant to SFMTA Rules of Order

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Hayden Miller stated that he supports Gwyneth Borden as Chair.

On motion to elect Gwyneth Borden as Chair:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Eaken, Heminger, Hinze, Lai and Yekutieli

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Hayden Miller supports Amanda Eaken as Vice Chair.

On motion to elect Amanda Eaken as Vice Chair:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Eaken, Heminger, Hinze, Lai and Yekutieli

7. Director's Report (For discussion only)

- Transit Service
- Ongoing Activities

Jeff Tumlin, Director of Transportation, discussed the upcoming Budget Workshop, the Youth Advisory Board, SFMTA values, the Transportation Recovery Plan including Slow Streets and Shared Spaces, He also discussed the Twin Peaks Plan, the Bicycle Plan Grant, changes to transit service, the Safe Driver Awards and he announced Josephine Ayankoya as the new Race, Equity and Inclusion Officer.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

David Pilpel asked staff to post the Director's Report presentation online before the meeting begins. Most of the transit service changes are good but they still don't restore full service and duplicates service on Third Street. The Potrero neighborhood has lost historic service overnight.

Barry Taranto stated that he hopes the new board members support taxi issues. He suggested more signage for Slow Streets and more notice ahead of cars approaching the street. The impact on adjoining streets needs to be noted, especially near Lake Street. Taxi drivers need to be honored with awards especially during the pandemic.

Peter Belden thanked the agency for bringing back the 15 line and asked staff to look at similar connectivity along that same route for bikes. He suggested extending the Bayview Quick Build project and taking advantage of the Minnesota Slow Street to establish bike access. The surveys on Slow Streets only look at residents on those streets but they need to survey streets in that entire community.

Angela Slegal stated she is a resident of Lake Street and she supports the street remaining a Slow Street. She has two daughters that can play on the street now and loves seeing people enjoying it.

Dave Alexander stated that he supports Lake Street remaining a Slow Street. There needs to be outreach to community members in the areas adjoining a Slow Street.

Aleta Dupree expressed concern about equity and vulnerability definitions. She is a person with disabilities and is concerned that when we define people not everyone fits the definitions. She urged the Board to be careful in how people are defined and included. She supports a car free Twin Peaks.

Jeremy stated that he supports Lake Street remaining a permanent Slow Street.

Bob Planthold discussed equity and inclusion and is concerned that some categories are neglected. Muni used to have passengers send in a comment card. The paratransit meeting has been neglected. He urged the Board to consider all groups and to attend a paratransit council meeting. There is no bus service on Twin Peaks so when Burnett Street is closed, the only way for the disabled to get there is by car.

JR stated that he is excited about the return of the T line, the 33 line and the 55 Dogpatch which will bridge transit gaps. He asked the Board to implement 15 line. He supports making Minnesota Slow Street permanent and asked for traffic calming on Mariposa Street.

Hayden Miller stated that the plan for Twin Peaks is a slap in the face to the public because the changes are not what the survey responders or residents want. The survey results show that the people want the area to be car free. The survey was set up to press an agenda. He suggested having a shuttle for the disabled.

Eric Carpenini discussed temporary parking permits and suggested that there be limits on the number of permits given in one area. There is no parking available in his neighborhood even though he has a Residential Parking Permit (RPP). He suggested a monthly payment plan for RPP.

Chris stated he is disappointed that Twin Peaks will not be car free anymore. He asked the Board to think outside the box when considering Slow Streets. There should be more permanent ones. No one should be driving on residential streets.

Chris stated he is a resident of District nine and believes that only residents should be on residential streets. He urged the agency to provide proper arterial ways of travel for traffic.

8. Citizens' Advisory Council Report

No report.

9. Public Comment

Hayden Miller stated that there are trespassers on the light rail tracks which is a security issue. People on the J line tracks are on their cell phones, and oblivious to the danger. The "Do Not Walk" signs placed in the yards should be placed on the light rail rights of way. The red zones on Fulton Street are good but Fulton Street is still a hazard. Cars drive at high rates of speed. He hopes the temporary transit lanes on Fulton will be processed soon.

David Pilpel expressed hope that the Citizens' Advisory Council can have input on the upcoming budget workshop.

Bob Planthold discussed the reroute of the 27 line and the negligence of staff doing outreach. The old route used to serve the dental school and that same line was the only stop at the Independent Living Resource Center. Staff took away the 4th & Howard stop and now there is no service. This makes it more difficult for the disabled community. Staff has admitted they didn't do outreach to those two agencies and he urged agency managers to do better.

Chris stated that he is a District nine resident and asked the Board to discontinue advice to motorists that recommend a 5-mile per hour (MPH) left turn speed. It teaches drivers to clear the conflict area of the intersection at the fastest safe speed. Five mph is unsafe and it increases head on collisions He asked that the agency pull advertising that features this dangerous advice.

Astrid stated that she is a former small business owner at 3rd and Fitzgerald because the agency made that street a terminal for the 29 bus. That project was a lie and no notice was given to residents or businesses. Staff said it was going to be temporary but now it's permanent. The bus zone was moved to in front of her property and buses are a problem. She had to move her small business to the East Bay.

Richard Rothman stated that there was another highspeed crash on Fulton Street yet nothing is being done. Senior citizens have been hit in intersections because cars are going too fast. He urged the Sustainable Streets manager to view the area. It's very dangerous.

Aleta Dupree expressed concern about subway service. San Francisco is the only major city with no subway service right now. Agency staff need to look at better technology for public meetings. She questioned the approval of 30-foot buses that use diesel. That's a problem.

Barry Taranto asked the board secretary to provide more explicit instructions on how the public can make public comment. Some people have had trouble making public comments. He commended dispatcher operator 409 sending parking control officers to deal with taxi stand violations. He urged Director Tumlin to listen more when there is legislation that impedes passenger ability to get taxis. The Taxi Task Force needs to come back.

Kevin stated that he is advocating for seniors and the disabled. The bus stop at 3rd and Howard has been transferred to 3rd and Folsom. There are a lot of seniors that have to cross the street which is a safety hazard. He urged staff to reevaluate the area and bring back the bus stop at 3rd and Howard.

Christopher inquired if the SFMTA is committed to Vision Zero and asked why the city isn't closing more streets to cars. Traffic diversions are needed to lower the fatality rates. They should be prioritized.

THE FOLLOWING MATTERS BEFORE THE SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS ARE RECOMMENDED FOR ACTION AS STATED BY THE SFMTA DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION OR CITY ATTORNEY WHERE APPLICABLE. EXPLANATORY DOCUMENTS FOR ALL CALENDAR ITEMS ARE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW AT 1 SOUTH VAN NESS AVE. 7th FLOOR.

CONSENT CALENDAR

10. All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors and will be acted upon by a single vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the Board of Directors or the public so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

(10.1) Amending the Transportation Code, Division II, Section 916 to modify existing Powered Scooter Share Program requirements to, among other things, allow for permit terms of up to two years, require that permittees comply with adaptive scooter program requirements, add a summary suspension process for operators that pose imminent or ongoing health or safety risks, remove the endowment fund provisions, and add the bike rack fee to Transportation Code, Division II, Section 902(d); and suspending the requirement in Transportation Code, Division II, Section 916(a)(2), that the duration of Powered Scooter Share Program permits be up to one year, and authorizing the Director to extend the duration of the current permits to June 30, 2021 to further respond to changes resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, resolution and amendment.)

RESOLUTION 210119-010

(10.2) Acting as the SFMTA Board of Directors, approving the Fourth Amendment to the Agreement for Operation and Management of Off-Street Parking Facilities, Group C, Contract No. SFMTA-2011/12-11 with LAZ Parking California, LLC, increasing the contract amount \$172,166 for a total of \$1,458,042, and extending the agreement term one year for a total term of ten years. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, amendment, resolution and financial plan.)

RESOLUTION 210119-011

(10.3) Acting as the San Francisco Parking Authority Commission, approving the Fourth Amendment to the Agreement for Operation and Management of Off-Street Parking Facilities, Group C, Contract No. SFMTA-2011/12-11 with LAZ Parking California, increasing the contract amount \$172,166 for a total of \$1,458,042, and extending the agreement term one year for a total term of ten years. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, amendment, resolution and financial plan.)

RESOLUTION 210119-012

(10.4) Approving Modification No. 4 to Contract No. 1291, Kirkland, Scott and Flynn Facilities Tank Upgrade Project with Pilot Construction Management for the replacement of underground storage tanks at four SFMTA transit facilities; approving the substitution of subcontractors; and amending the final work scope and adjust bid quantities, resulting in a net increase of \$47,585.82 of the contract amount, for a final contract amount of \$6,711,925.36 to close out the contract. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, modification, resolution and financial plan.)

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support: Aleta Dupree (10.1), and David Pilpel (10.2, 10.3, and 10.4)

Members of the public expressing opposition: Hayden Miller (10.1)

Members of the public expressing neither support nor opposition to Item 10.1: Barry Taranto, Hayden Miller, and David Pilpel

RESOLUTION 210119-013

On motion to approve the Consent Calendar:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Eaken, Heminger, Hinze, Lai and Yekutieli

REGULAR CALENDAR

11. Amending Transportation Code, Division II, Section 702 to reduce the speed limit on Market Street between Franklin Street and Steuart Street from 25 miles per hour to 20 miles per hour and designate a transit-only lane on Market Street, westbound, from 50 feet east of Kearny Street to Kearny Street; making environmental review findings and approves the parking and traffic modifications, as a part of the Better Market Street Project as follows:

- A. ESTABLISH – WHITE PASSENGER LOADING ZONE – Ellis Street, northside, from 38 feet to 44 feet west of Stockton Street
- B. ESTABLISH – RED ZONE – Ellis Street, south side, from Powell Street to 20 feet easterly; Ellis Street, south side, from 101 feet to 109 feet east of Powell Street
- C. ESTABLISH – GREEN METERED PARKING, 30-MINUTE LIMIT, 9 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY – Hayes Street, south side, from 179 feet to 223 feet west of Larkin Street
- D. RESCIND – TOW AWAY NO STOPPING, 7 AM TO 9 AM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY – Fell Street, south side, from Franklin Street to Van Ness Avenue.
- E. ESTABLISH – STOP SIGN – Stevenson Street, westbound, at New Montgomery Street
- F. ESTABLISH – TOW AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME – Stevenson Street, north side, from New Montgomery to 65 feet easterly; Stevenson St., north side, from 2nd St. to 56 feet westerly
- G. ESTABLISH – MOTORCYCLE METERED PARKING – 2nd Street, east side, from Stevenson Street to 46 feet northerly
- H. ESTABLISH – NO RIGHT TURN ON RED – Jones Street, northbound, at Golden Gate Ave.
- I. ESTABLISH – RIGHT TURN ONLY EXCEPT MUNI AND BICYCLES – Jones Street, southbound, at McAllister Street
- J. ESTABLISH – LEFT TURN ONLY EXCEPT MUNI AND BICYCLES – McAllister Street, eastbound, at Jones Street
- K. ESTABLISH – TOW-AWAY, NO STOPPING, EXCEPT TRUCK LOADING ZONE, 12 AM TO 6 AM AND 9:30 AM TO MIDNIGHT, 30-MINUTE LIMIT – Market Street, south side, from 464 feet to 528 feet east of 8th Street
- L. ESTABLISH – SPEED TABLES – Market Street, eastbound curb lane, between 8th Street and 7th Street; Market Street, eastbound curb lane, between 7th Street and 6th Street; Market Street,

- westbound curb lane, between 8th Street and 7th Street; Market Street, westbound curb lane, between 6th Street and Mason Street
- M. ESTABLISH – RIGHT TURN ONLY, EXCEPT TRANSIT, PARATRANSIT, BICYCLES, and EMERGENCY VEHICLES – Market Street, eastbound at 8th Street; Market Street, eastbound at 6th Street; Market Street, westbound at Geary and Kearny Streets; Market Street, westbound at Turk Street
 - N. RESCIND – RIGHT TURN ONLY, EXCEPT MUNI AND BICYCLES and ESTABLISH – RIGHT TURN ONLY, EXCEPT MUNI, PARATRANSIT AND BICYCLES – Market Street, eastbound, at Beale Street intersection
 - O. ESTABLISH – TRANSIT ONLY LANE– Market Street, westbound, from 50 feet east of Kearny Street to Kearny Street
 - P. RESCIND – NO LEFT TURN and ESTABLISH – NO LEFT TURN EXCEPT TAXIS AND MUNI –Mission Street westbound at New Montgomery Street; Mission Street westbound at 5th Street, Mission Street, westbound at 2nd Street
 - Q. RESCIND – NO LEFT TURN EXCEPT MUNI and ESTABLISH – NO LEFT TURN EXCEPT TAXIS AND MUNI – Mission Street, westbound and eastbound at 11th Street; Mission Street eastbound at 9th Street;
 - R. RESCIND – NO LEFT TURN EXCEPT BUSES and ESTABLISH – NO LEFT TURN EXCEPT TAXIS AND BUSES—Mission Street, westbound, at 6th Street
 - S. ESTABLISH - 20 MPH SPEED LIMIT – Market Street between Franklin St. and Steuart St
 - T. ESTABLISH – CROSSWALK – Market Street at Jones Street/McAllister Street, west crossing
 - U. RESCIND – CROSSWALK – Market Street at Jones Street/McAllister Street, from south sidewalk to median island
 - V. RESCIND – BUS ZONE and ESTABLISH – TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING ANY TIME – Charles J. Brenham Place, east side, from Market Street to McAllister Street
 - W. ESTABLISH – BUS ZONE – 7th Street, east side, from 10 feet to 110 feet south of Market St.
 - X. ESTABLISH – WHITE PASSENGER LOADING ZONE – 7th Street, east side, from 110 to 150 feet south of Market Street
 - Y. ESTABLISH – CLASS IV BIKEWAY (PROTECTED BIKEWAYS) - 7th Street, northbound, between Market Street and Stevenson Street. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, amendments, environmental review documents and resolution.)

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support: Cliff Barker (forced right turns), Jody Medieros, Vanessa (slower mph and right turn restriction), Roan Kattouw, Stacey Standexter and Kyle Rockwell

Members of the public expressing opposition: Mark Gruberg, Amen Deepjawa, Charles Rathbone, Jessica Felix, Paul Valdez, Joanna Govman, Parker Day, Harold Finley, Barry Taranto, Peter Miller, David Pilpel, Anonymous, Evelyn Engle, Kevin Carroll, Meek Verdant, Aleta Dupree, Eric Shultz, John Svaslasky, Hayden Miller, Curt Nelson, Mary McGuire, Bob Planthold, Mizon, Peter Belden, and Marcello Fonseca

Members of the public expressing neither support nor opposition: Anonymous Cab Driver, and Cat Carter. Sarah Ogilvy supports forced right turn and speed reduction but opposes taxis using muni red

lanes.

RESOLUTION 210119-014

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Heminger, Hinze, and Lai

NAYES – Eaken and Yekutieli

12. Presentation and discussion regarding the Transportation Authority's Downtown Congestion Pricing Study. (Explanatory documents include a slide presentation.)

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support: Parker Day, Stacey Randecker, Aleta Dupree, Adam, Hayden Miller, John Bey, Vanessa, Danielle So and Alena Dewana

Members of the public expressing opposition: Kevin Carol and Bill Graziano

Members of the public expressing neither support nor opposition: David Pilpel and JR Hoffler

13. Presentation and discussion regarding regional transit coordination. (Explanatory documents include a slide presentation.)

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support: Hayden Miller, David Pilpel and John Lofsky

14. Approving Amendment No. 6 to Contract No. SFMTA-2016-17, Paratransit Broker and Operating Agreement, with Transdev Services to exercise the option to extend the term by five years, to June 30, 2026, and increase the contract amount by \$169,395,342, for a total amount not to exceed \$312,297,446. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, resolution and amendment.)

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support: Alicia, Kevin, and JC Cowan

Members of the public expressing neither support nor opposition: Hayden Miller, Barry Taranto, and David Pilpel

RESOLUTION 210119-015

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Eaken, Heminger, Hinze, Lai and Yekutieli

15. Retroactively approving Modification No. 2 to Contract No. 1306, L Taraval Improvement Project, with NTK Construction for emergency trackway repairs in the Twin Peaks tunnel in the amount of \$10,517,500, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$39,966,857, with no extension of time. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, modification, resolution and financial plan.)

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing opposition: David Pilpel

RESOLUTION 210119-016

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Eaken, Heminger, Hinze, Lai and Yekutieli

16. Approving the Preliminary Official Statement with respect to the issuance of taxable or tax-exempt Refunding Revenue Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$185 million to refinance all or a portion of the Series 2012A, 2012B, 2013; and 2014 Revenue Bonds, and \$287,000,000 aggregate principal amount of new money revenue bonds to provide funds for certain transit and streets projects; and authorizing the Director to make any necessary changes for the issuance of the Refunding Bonds and New Money Bonds. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, modification, resolution, agreement, contract, indenture and certificate.)

RESOLUTION 210119-017

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Eaken, Heminger, Hinze, Lai and Yekutieli

17. Requesting the Board of Supervisors appropriate up to \$287,000,000 of the New Money Bonds proceeds for the following SFMTA projects: \$118,000,000 for Transportation Infrastructure and \$137,000,000 for Transportation Equipment; and \$31,500,000 for reserve funds and costs of issuance. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, and resolution.)

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing opposition: David Pilpel

RESOLUTION 210119-018

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Eaken, Heminger, Hinze, Lai and Yekutieli

ADJOURN - The meeting was adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

A recording of the meeting is on file in the office of the Secretary to the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors.

Caroline Celaya

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Acting Board Secretary

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