



San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Citizens' Advisory Council

MINUTES • Meeting Date: August 1, 2024

REGULAR MEETING

5:30 pm

1 South Van Ness Avenue, 7th Floor
Room 7080, Union Square Conference Room

SFMTA CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Aaron Leifer, Chair
Chris Arvin, Vice-Chair
Sascha Bittner
Jonathan Bünemann
Queena Chen
Steve Cornell
John Lisovsky
Eliza Panike
Yensing Sihapanya
Connor Skelly
Susan Vaughan
Frank Zepeda

COUNCIL LIAISON

Christine Silva

COUNCIL SECRETARY

Keka Robinson-Luqman



ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

Chair Leifer called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

2. Roll Call

CAC members present at Roll Call: Sascha Bittner, Jonathan Bünemann, Queena Chen, Stephen Cornell, Aaron Leifer, John Lisovsky, Eliza Panike, and Frank Zepeda

CAC members absent with notification: Chris Arvin, Yensing Sihapanya, Connor Skelly, and Susan Vaughan

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 July 11, 2024:

ADOPTED: AYES – Sascha Bittner, Jonathan Bünemann, Queena Chen, Stephen Cornell, Aaron Leifer, John Lisovsky, Eliza Panike, and Frank Zepeda
ABSENT – Chris Arvin, Yensing Sihapanya, Connor Skelly, and Susan Vaughan

5. Report of the Chair (For discussion only)

Chair Leifer reminded Council members about the importance of quorum. He stated that he is working hard with staff to fill Council vacancies. He encouraged Council members to support the SFMTA funding measure on the ballot.

No public comment.

6. Public Comment

Edward Mason suggested staff provide a report on the impact that marathons and other events have on the public transportation system. People were trying to get to work on Sunday and the delay caused by the marathon had a significant impact.



REGULAR CALENDAR

7. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding the Train Control Update Project. (Dan Howard, Technology Systems Manager. Explanatory documents include a slide presentation.)

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Edward Mason asked if the new system will be connected to the internet and wondered how the cutover transition is going to work. He asked how the plan will work with Connect SF. He expressed concern about the declining birthrate and how that will affect employment in the future and encouraged the agency to implement training programs at community colleges to prepare people to work for Muni.

CAC MOTION 240801.01

The SFMTA CAC recommends that the SFMTA Board of Directors approve the staff recommendation for the chosen consultant for the Train Control Upgrade Project.

ADOPTED: AYES – Sascha Bittner, Jonathan Bünemann, Queena Chen, Stephen Cornell, Aaron Leifer, John Lisovsky, Eliza Panike, and Frank Zepeda
ABSENT – Chris Arvin, Yensing Sihapanya, Connor Skelly, and Susan Vaughan

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

Edward Mason requested a presentation on the new Clipper upgrade that allows the use of a credit card and how that is going to work.

ADJOURN - The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'KAR Robinson-Luqman'.

Keka Robinson-Luqman
SFMTA CAC – Secretary

Next regular meeting: Thursday, September 5th at 5:30pm | Union Square Conference Room