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

MINUTES

Tuesday, November 3, 2015
Room 400, City Hall
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place

**REGULAR MEETING AND CLOSED SESSION
1 P.M.**

SFMTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Tom Nolan, Chairman
Cheryl Brinkman, Vice Chairman
Gwyneth Borden
Malcolm Heinicke
Joél Ramos
Cristina Rubke

Edward D. Reiskin
DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION

Roberta Boomer
SECRETARY

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

Chairman Nolan called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Cheryl Brinkman
Gwyneth Borden
Malcolm Heinicke
Tom Nolan
Joél Ramos
Cristina Rubke

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

Chairman Nolan announced that the ringing of and use of cell phones, pagers and similar sound-producing electronic devices are prohibited at the meeting. He advised that any person responsible for the ringing or use of a cell phone, pager, or other similar sound-producing electronic devices might be removed from the meeting. He also advised that cell phones that are set on “vibrate” cause microphone interference and requested that they be placed in the “off” position.

4. Approval of Minutes

On motion to approve the minutes of the October 20, 2015 Regular Meeting: unanimously approved.

5. Communications

Board Secretary Boomer stated that there would be no discussion of anticipated litigation in closed session.

6. Introduction of New or Unfinished Business by Board Member

Director Heinicke asked staff to send the SFMTA’s best wishes to the young girl who was hit on Euclid on October 31st and asked staff to report back about what the SFMTA does post-incident and if appropriate, what will be done at that intersection.

7. Director’s Report (For discussion only)

- Special Recognition Award
- Ongoing Activities

Ed Reiskin, Director of Transportation recognized Craig Raphael, Transportation Planner and Sophia Forde, Planner, Finance and Information Technology Division, Janet Martinsen,

Government Affairs Manager and Kathryn Angotti, Senior Administrative Analyst, Government Affairs Division and Eliza Lucero, Administrative Analyst, Finance and Information Technology Division.

Director Reiskin also discussed the upcoming work at 4th and King Street, the launch of the MuniMobile app, the relocation of the Overhead Lines division and repurpose of the existing building and planning for El Nino.

No public comment.

8. Citizens' Advisory Council Report

Daniel Weaver, Chairman, Citizen's Advisory Council, presented the report. He reviewed recent recommendations regarding the Mission Bay Event Center and the prioritization of the San Jose and Lakeview intersection.

9. Public Comment

Richard Rothman stated that people think that the Sustainable Streets Division needs to be re-organized. Now it operates by function and people don't know who to call. There should be a dedicated team to deal with different parts of the city. There is no place for residents to park during the Outsidelands Festival. The SFMTA needs to keep cars out of their neighborhood.

MaryAnne Kayiatos discussed Van Ness Bus Rapid Transit. She doesn't know why most of the city doesn't know about the project. The public outreach was ineffective. Removing two lanes on Van Ness to put transit in the middle will increase traffic ten-fold, especially, by not allowing cars to turn left. The project will take down all of the mature trees that absorb excess carbon dioxide. The area will become polluted. She would like the Board to reconsider Alternative Two and put the transit curbside. She inquired whether saving 2 ½ minutes was really worth the time and disruption.

Pete Gualfetti expressed concern about the Van Ness Bus Rapid Transit project. The information about how the staff recommendation was made concerns him. He doesn't have a clear picture regarding the removal of the trees and would like to have more information. He wants the Board to re-evaluate option two. Losing healthy trees is a shame given there's an option to keep them. It will be safer to keep transit on curbside for seniors.

Diana Scott stated that she got involved in the Van Ness project once she discovered that there were more trees that would be removed on VNBRT that were covered in the environmental impact report. She also discussed the cost increase. There are more "Google" buses on Van Ness than regular transit buses. Sacrificing trees is a big price for not doing something about the Google buses. Option two is the better option.

Herbert Weiner commended the SFMTA for not discontinuing the 33 line to the hospital. It's crucial for the lives of people who need to get to the hospital. The 47 line won't run to the Hall of Justice any longer. This is an inconvenient for seniors who are trying to get to jury duty on time

and it could slow down the judicial process. Muni Forward proposals wreak havoc on seniors and people with disabilities. Muni is a public service that should serve everyone.

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) Approving the following traffic modifications:

- A. ESTABLISH – STOP SIGN – Ingalls Street, southbound, at Jamestown Avenue.
- B. ESTABLISH – STOP SIGN – Sparta Street, southbound, at Harkness Avenue.
- C. ESTABLISH – RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA N, 2-HOUR PARKING, 9 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, EXCEPT VEHICLES WITH AREA N PERMIT – 9th Avenue, both sides, between Balboa Street and Cabrillo Street.
- D. ESTABLISH – RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA Q, 2-HOUR PARKING, 8 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, EXCEPT VEHICLES WITH AREA Q PERMIT – Central Avenue, west side, from Oak Street to 100 feet southerly.
- E. ESTABLISH – NO U-TURNS – West Portal Avenue, eastbound and westbound, at 15th Avenue; West Portal Avenue, eastbound and westbound, at 14th Avenue; and West Portal Avenue, eastbound and westbound, at Vicente Street.
- F. ESTABLISH – RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA U, 2-HOUR PARKING, 4 PM TO 8 PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY, EXCEPT VEHICLES WITH AREA U PERMIT – McLea Court, north side, between 9th Street and its terminus. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution. All of the proposed actions listed above are Approval Actions as defined by S.F. Administrative Code Chapter 31.)

RESOLUTION 15-146

(10.2) Authorizing the Director to execute Contract No. SFMTA 2015-47, Facilities Condition Assessment and Space Planning Services, with Owen Adams Consulting to perform a facilities condition assessment, provide an independent review of deficiencies and estimates of repair options, and provide recommendations on how to maximize the operational uses and management of existing facilities for an amount not to exceed \$975,000 for a period of 12 months with two options to extend the contract. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, contract and

resolution. The proposed action is an Approval Actions as defined by S.F. Administrative Code Chapter 31.)

RESOLUTION 15-147

(10.3) Approving an Easement Agreement between Avalon Ocean Ave. LP for acquisition of an easement on, over and under the property at 1150 Ocean Avenue so that the SFMTA can operate and maintain the traffic signal at the intersection of Ocean Avenue and Brighton Avenue; and urging the Board of Supervisors to approve the Easement Agreement. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, agreement, letter and resolution.)

RESOLUTION 15-148

(10.4) Approving the MuniMobile fare payment application Terms of Service agreement, and authorizing the Director to include the Terms of Service in the Agency's MuniMobile fare payment application and electronically execute them in the course of the Agency's approving a customer's enrollment to use the MuniMobile application. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, terms of service and resolution.)

RESOLUTION 15-149

(10.5) Adopting the Outdoor Distributed Antenna System Pole Selection Policy and Charges for Unpowered and Unmapped Poles that establishes additional pole license review procedures, and approving the assessment of additional proprietary charges for SFMTA staff to review pole license applications, and inspect and oversee the modification or replacement of poles, as necessary, to facilitate the installation of wireless telephone equipment on SFMTA poles. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, resolution and policy. The proposed action is an Approval Action as defined by the S.F. Administrative Code Chapter 31.)

RESOLUTION 15-150

(10.6) Recommending that the Board of Supervisors retroactively approve three Master Outdoor Distributed Antenna System Pole License Agreements with Mobilitie Investments III, Extenet Systems, and GTE Mobilnet/Verizon, for a term of nine years each; and approve the form Master Outdoor Distributed Antenna System Pole License Agreement and delegate the approval of additional agreements to the Director of Transportation. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, resolution and agreements.)

RESOLUTION 15-151

(10.7) Authorizing the Director to issue a Request for Proposals for Paratransit Broker Services, evaluate the proposals, and negotiate a contract with the selected proposer for a five-year term, with an option for five additional years. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, resolution and request for proposal.)

RESOLUTION 15-152

On motion to approve the Consent Calendar:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Heinicke, Nolan, Ramos and Rubke

REGULAR CALENDAR

11. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding San Francisco's Paratransit Services. (Explanatory documents include a slide presentation.)

Annette Williams, Manager, Accessible Services, Marc Soto, General Manager, TransDev, Olivia Santiago, PCC member, staff Disabled Student Services SF City College, Sam Alicia Duke, PCC member and Roland Wong, member, PCC and MAAC presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Patty Clement-Cihak stated that she works closely with paratransit. There are some challenges including the closure of adult day health centers, trips are longer and the increasing frailty of paratransit customers. There are longer paratransit times due to the use of wheelchair lifts. There isn't enough capacity to meet the needs of people in wheelchairs. Clients complain of having to be on a bus for over two hours each way. This is hard on frail seniors. Paratransit does well but 2.7% of clients spent over 90 minutes on the bus.

Mr. Patel stated that he rides the van. His ride sometimes takes one or two hours from home to the center. As a result, he's deprived of his exercises and is tired all week.

Nicole stated that long rides have been going on for over two years and she's glad it's coming to the attention of the Board. The SFMTA needs to solve the problem. Mr. Patel is on the van for two hours, each way, for a four hour program.

Roxie Kellam stated that Mr. Patel's experience happens at many other centers. The ride times are increasing. If people don't show up, the centers don't get paid by Medical. The centers want people to live in their community for as long as possible. The van breakdowns are because of the lack of resources and the age of the fleet. There are capacity issues now and it will only get worse.

Herbert Weiner stated that when he had raised concerns about seniors and people with disabilities, he had been told that paratransit was the answer. Paratransit doesn't cover this and even if paratransit did, there are problems with breakdowns, long rides and vans not arriving. Rides of less than ¼ mile will place an additional burden on paratransit. This problem is being dumped on paratransit.

James Evans expressed support for the program and noted that the challenge is in growing the fleet in order to handle the number of people who want to use the service. With the closure of centers, more seniors are going to the fewer centers.

Douglas Callahan stated there have been major changes to service. Service has improved and the shortage of drivers has been alleviated. There are challenges with the fleet that need to be

addressed. There needs to be more fuel efficient vehicles. Clients are satisfied with service in general. But there is still work ahead as the demand for service is growing. Construction in San Francisco causes delays.

Phillip McFadden stated that paratransit drivers care very much about their clients. Drivers don't like keeping their clients in a vehicle for over two hours.

Bruce Oka stated that San Francisco has the best paratransit service in the country but more money needs to be put into the paratransit program. He rides the system every day. Mr. Oka expressed hope that Board members will come to the Annual Meeting.

Pi Ra stated that he concurred with most of what Ms. Williams said and he commended staff for all of the changes, many of which are very good. There are some things that haven't changed. Accessible vans have the same problems with not enough drivers or vans, high demand and low supply. He expressed appreciation for the debit card. Paratransit service needs to use taxis as they are cheaper than using vans.

Ron Henderson stated that the demand for services has grown. The SFMTA needs to fund the program. Drivers can talk to management who listen to what drivers have to say.

Kathie Wood stated that half of her dialysis patients use paratransit. Over the past ten years, there have had some ups and downs but in the past few years, paratransit service has improved greatly. Dialysis patients are fatigued after their treatment and paratransit drivers are very helpful. The length of the ride has declined over the years.

Chairman Nolan requested that staff present another report around the time when the Board is considering the next two-year budget.

12. Amending Transportation Code, Division II, Section 601 to create a transit/taxi/commercial vehicle only areas on Powell Street from Ellis Street to Geary Street in the northbound (outbound) direction, and from O'Farrell Street to Ellis Street in the southbound (inbound) direction from December 4, 2015 until June 4, 2017 and approving the following traffic and parking modifications to implement the Powell Street Safety Pilot project from December 4, 2015 until June 4, 2017:

- A. ESTABLISH –MUNI, PARATRANSIT, TAXIS AND COMMERCIAL VEHICLES ONLY-Powell Street, northbound, from Ellis Street to Geary Street; and Powell Street, southbound, from O'Farrell Street to Ellis Street
- B. ESTABLISH – NO RIGHT TURN EXCEPT MUNI, PARATRANSIT, TAXIS AND COMMERCIAL VEHICLES -Ellis Street, westbound, at Powell Street
- C. ESTABLISH – NO LEFT TURN EXCEPT MUNI, PARATRANSIT, TAXIS AND COMMERCIAL VEHICLES - Ellis Street, eastbound, at Powell Street
- D. ESTABLISH – NO LEFT TURN EXCEPT MUNI, PARATRANSIT, TAXIS, COMMERCIAL VEHICLES, AND VEHICLES PICKING UP OR DROPPING OFF PASSENGERS AT THE LOADING ZONE IN FRONT OF 225 POWELL STREET ONLY Geary Street, westbound, at Powell Street
- E. ESTABLISH – RIGHT TURN ONLY EXCEPT MUNI, PARATRANSIT, TAXIS, AND

- COMMERCIAL VEHICLES - Powell Street, southbound, at Geary Street
- F. ESTABLISH – NO RIGHT TURN EXCEPT MUNI - O’Farrell St, eastbound, at Powell St.
 - G. ESTABLISH – NO LEFT TURN EXCEPT MUNI - O’Farrell St, eastbound, at Powell St.
 - H. RESCIND – NO LEFT TURN EXCEPT MUNI - Powell St., southbound, at O’Farrell St.
 - I. ESTABLISH – TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING ANY TIME - Powell Street, east side, from Ellis Street to 92 feet north of Ellis Street; Powell Street, east side, from 152 feet north of Ellis Street to O’Farrell Street; Powell Street, east side, from O’Farrell Street to 97 feet north of O’Farrell Street; Powell Street, east side, from 177 feet north of O’Farrell Street to Geary Street; Powell Street, west side, from Ellis Street to 84 feet north of Ellis Street; Powell Street, west side, from 174 feet north of Ellis Street to O’Farrell Street; Powell Street, west side, from O’Farrell Street to 89 feet north of O’Farrell Street; and Powell Street, west side, from 149 feet north of O’Farrell Street to Geary Street
 - J. RESCIND – NO PARKING ANY TIME EXCEPT ACTIVE LOADING - Powell Street, east side, from 92 feet to 152 feet north of Ellis Street; Powell Street, east side, from 97 feet to 177 feet north of O’Farrell Street; Powell Street, west side, from 84 to 174 feet north of Ellis Street; and Powell Street, west side, from 89 feet to 149 feet north of O’Farrell Street.
 - K. ESTABLISH – TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING ANY TIME, EXCEPT COMMERCIAL LOADING, 30 MINUTE LIMIT - Powell Street, east side, from 92 feet to 152 feet north of Ellis Street; Powell Street, east side, from 97 feet to 177 feet north of O’Farrell Street; and Powell Street, west side, from 84 to 174 feet north of Ellis Street
 - L. RESCIND – NO PARKING ANY TIME - Ellis Street, north side, from 121 feet to 139 feet west of Powell Street; Ellis Street, north side, from 25 feet to 100 feet east of Powell Street; O’Farrell Street, north side, from 17 feet to 120 feet west of Powell Street; and O’Farrell Street, south side, from 7 feet to 67 feet east of Powell Street
 - M. RESCIND – TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING ANY TIME, EXCEPT METERED COMMERCIAL LOADING - Geary St, south side, from 11 feet to 56 feet east of Powell St.
 - N. ESTABLISH – PASSENGER LOADING ZONE - Powell Street, west side, from 89 feet to 149 feet north of O’Farrell Street; Ellis Street, north side, from 121 feet to 139 feet east of Powell Street; and Geary Street, south side, from 11 feet to 56 feet east of Powell Street
 - O. ESTABLISH – TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING ANY TIME, EXCEPT METERED COMMERCIAL LOADING 7 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY - Ellis Street, north side, from 25 feet to 100 feet east of Powell Street; O’Farrell Street, north side, from 17 feet to 120 feet west of Powell Street; and O’Farrell Street, south side, from 7 feet to 67 feet east of Powell Street. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, maps, amendment, slide presentation and resolution. The proposed action is an Approval Action as defined by the S.F. Administrative Code Chapter 31.)

Dan Howard, Project Manager, Powell Street Safety Project, presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support: Kevin Carroll, Evan Kaizer, Karin Flood, Richard Leider, Claude Imbault, Wes Tylor, Brett Gladstone, Charles Rathbone and Wade Hudson

The Board requested staff to report back on the pilot 12 months after the pilot commences.

On motion to amend the resolution to delete “G” and add O’Farrell Street, eastbound at Powell Street to “C”:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Heinicke, Nolan, Ramos and Rubke

RESOLUTION 15-153

On motion to approve as amended:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Heinicke, Nolan, Ramos and Rubke

SPECIAL ORDER – 3:00 pm

Director Heinicke left the meeting.

13. Adopting the California Environmental Quality Act findings and the Statement of Overriding Consideration in the Final Subsequent Environmental Impact Report for the Event Center and Mixed Use Development at Mission Bay; approving those elements of the Project under SFMTA jurisdiction; agreeing to the Event Center Expenditure Plan for transportation capital and operating costs; accepting the proposed terms in the Mission Bay Transportation Improvement Fund and Advisory Committee Ordinance; and authorizing the Director of Transportation to obtain necessary approvals to carry out the actions to implement the Project. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, resolution, environmental review documents, funding, slide presentation and access plans and transportation strategies.)

Peter Albert, Manager, Planning and Alex Van De Water, Project Manager, Office of Economic and Workforce Development and Chris Kearn, Environmental Planning Division, City Planning presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support: Corinne Woods, Catherine Sharpe, Nick Belloni, Pat Valentino, Tom O’Connor, Barbara French

Members of the public expressing opposition: John Templeton, Demetri Blaisdell and Tom Lippe

On motion to amend the resolution to add a resolved clause which states that the Board of Directors modifies the enclosure to the resolution to incorporate the changes to the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan that staff read into the record at the November 3 meeting of the SFMTA Board of Directors:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Nolan, Ramos and Rubke

ABSENT – Heinicke

RESOLUTION 15-154

On motion to approve as amended:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Nolan, Ramos and Rubke

ABSENT – Heinicke

14. Discussion and vote pursuant to Administrative Code Section 67.10(d) as to whether to conduct a closed session.

On motion to invoke the attorney-client privilege: unanimously approved (Heinicke-absent).

RECESS REGULAR MEETING AND CONVENE CLOSED SESSION

CLOSED SESSION

1. Call to Order

Chairman Nolan called the closed session to order at 4:47 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Cheryl Brinkman
Gwyneth Borden
Tom Nolan
Joél Ramos
Cristina Rubke

Absent: Malcolm Heinicke – with notification

Also present: Ed Reiskin, Director of Transportation
Roberta Boomer, Board Secretary
Miriam Morley, Deputy City Attorney
Tom Maguire, Director, Sustainable Streets
Chris Grabarkiewetz, Manager, Security, Investigations and Enforcement

3. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 and the Administrative Code Section 67.8 (a) (3), the Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors will meet in Closed Session to discuss and take action on attorney-client matters in the following case:

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

Existing Litigation:

Josef Kolodziejcki vs. CCSF, Superior Ct. #CGC14542707 filed on 11/13/14 for \$195,453.12

RESOLUTION 15-155

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Nolan, Ramos and Rubke

ABSENT – Heinicke

4. Pursuant to Government Code Sections 54956.9 (b), and Administrative Code Section 67.10 (b) (2), the Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors will meet in closed session to discuss attorney-client matters in the following case(s):

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

Anticipated Litigation:

X As defendant or X As plaintiff

ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION AND RECONVENE OPEN SESSION - The closed session was adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

14. Announcement of Closed Session.

Chairman Nolan announced that the SFMTA Board of Directors met in closed session to discuss the Josef Kolodziejwski vs. CCSF case with the City Attorney. The Board of Directors voted to settle the case (Heinicke-absent). There was no discussion of anticipated litigation.

16. Motion to disclose or not disclose the information discussed in closed session.

On motion to not disclose the information discussed: unanimously approved (Heinicke-absent).

ADJOURN - The meeting was adjourned at 4:49 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.

Roberta Boomer
Board Secretary

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Appeal Rights under S.F. Admin. Code Chapter 31:

For identified Approval Actions, the Planning Department or the SFMTA has issued a CEQA exemption determination or negative declaration, which may be viewed online at the Planning Department's website. Following approval of the item by the SFMTA Board, the CEQA determination is subject to appeal within the time frame specified in S.F. Administrative Code Section 31.16 which is typically within 30 calendar days. For information on filing a CEQA appeal, contact the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors at City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room

244, San Francisco, CA 94102, or call (415) 554-5184. Under CEQA, in a later court challenge, a litigant may be limited to raising only those issues previously raised at a hearing on the project or submitted in writing to the City prior to or at such hearing, or as part of the appeal hearing process on the CEQA decision.

The Ethics Commission of the City and County of San Francisco has asked us to remind individuals and entities that influence or attempt to influence local legislative or administrative action may be required by the San Francisco Lobbyist Ordinance [S.F. Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code section 2.100 et seq.] to register and report lobbying activity. For more information about the Lobbyist Ordinance, please contact the Ethics Commission at 415.581.2300; fax: 415.581.2317; 25 Van Ness Avenue, Suite 220, SF, CA 94102-6027 or the web site: sfgov.org/ethics.