

SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. 170516-064

WHEREAS, By 2040, the Bay Area's population is expected to grow by 2.3 million and the number of jobs by 1.3 million; and,

WHEREAS, The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and the California State Legislature have begun discussing new bridge tolls to address population growth in the Bay Area; and,

WHEREAS, In the past, voters approved Regional Measures 1 and 2, which increased tolls on the seven state-owned bridges in the Bay Area to fund capital and operating programs to support transportation projects in those bridge corridors; and,

WHEREAS, MTC estimates that a \$1-3 increase in bridge tolls beginning in 2019 would make between \$1.7 billion and \$5 billion available to support a 25-year capital bond; and,

WHEREAS, San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) staff have worked closely with the San Francisco County Transportation Authority, the Mayor's Office, BART, the Port of San Francisco, the Transbay Joint Powers Authority, and other stakeholders, to develop a program of projects for a regional measure that would provide many benefits to San Francisco and help alleviate traffic congestion in the Bay Area; and,

WHEREAS, State legislative authority is required for the Bay Area to place regional measures on the ballot to increase bridge tolls; and,

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 595, sponsored by Senator Beall, requires MTC to place Regional Measure 3 (RM3) on the ballot in all nine Bay Area counties to raise bridge tolls on Bay Area state-owned bridges; it is expected that SB 595 will be amended based on input from counties on toll levels, an expenditure plan, timing of the vote, and other issues; and,

WHEREAS, MTC has developed a list of RM3 principles, to which the SFMTA suggests adding the principles of "Equity" and "Multimodal"; and

WHEREAS, The SFMTA has prepared a list of San Francisco projects and associated RM3 funding amounts, and believes that these projects would fulfill the goals of RM3; and

WHEREAS, On May 1, 2017, the SFMTA, under authority delegated by the Planning Department, determined that a support of enabling legislation for a regional ballot measure is not defined as a "project" under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Sections 15060(c) and 15378(b); and,

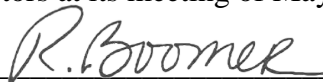
WHEREAS, A copy of the CEQA determination is on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors, and is incorporated herein by reference; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors urges the State Legislature to enact legislation that would require the Metropolitan Transportation Commission to bring a bridge toll increase to Bay Area voters in 2018; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors supports the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's draft guiding principles for a Regional Measure 3 and urges MTC to consider including two additional principles (Equity and Multimodal); and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors approves the proposed list of San Francisco projects and associated RM3 funding amounts.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of May 16, 2017.



Secretary to the Board of Directors
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency