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

MINUTES

Tuesday, March 7, 2017
Room 400, City Hall
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place

**REGULAR MEETING
1 P.M.**

SFMTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

Edward D. Reiskin
DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION

Roberta Boomer
SECRETARY

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

Chairman Brinkman called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

2. Roll Call

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

Absent: Malcolm Heinicke – with notification

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

Chairman Brinkman announced that the ringing of and use of cell phones, pagers and similar sound-producing electronic devices are prohibited at the meeting. She 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. She 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 February 21, 2017 Regular Meeting: unanimously approved (Borden, Heinicke-absent).

5. Communications

Board Secretary Boomer stated that Item 10.1 G had been removed from the agenda at the request of staff.

6. Introduction of New or Unfinished Business by Board Members

None.

7. Director’s Report (For discussion only)

- Special Recognition Award
- Update on Vision Zero
- Ongoing Activities

Sonali Bose, Director, Finance and Information Technology, recognized Henry Epstein, Administrative Hearing Officer.

Ed Reiskin, Director of Transportation, discussed the Twin Peaks Tunnel project, rehabilitation of the cable car gear boxes, various street projects including on 17th Street, Valencia Street, Kearny and Clay; “neighborway” initiatives; 2017 Sunday Street weekends; SFConnect transportation planning open house; and recent activity at the California Public Utilities Commission regarding transportation network companies.

Director Borden arrived.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Tariq Mehmood asked why the Transportation Network Companies (TNCs) don’t have background checks. None are being done now. Only people who bought medallions have fingerprinting done. Almost 50% of taxi drivers haven’t had a background check. The SFMTA needs to start inside the house before it focuses on TNCs. He expressed support for background checks.

Howard Strassner commented on Twin Peaks Tunnel. It was built in less than two years. People voted to tax themselves in order to have it, and it was built without an environmental impact report. Things were different 100 years ago. Cars protecting bike lanes are a great thing. He suggested building boxes in Golden Gate Park to protect cyclists and slow people down.

8. Citizens’ Advisory Council Report

No report

9. Public Comment

Natasha Opfell addressed the need for pedestrian safety improvements on Mission Street and in the Excelsior. Someone died last year and a school aged child was hit and injured this morning. The SFMTA has to act to ensure that nobody else is injured. Walk SF has been working with the SFMTA to create a corridor that is safe and thriving in the Excelsior. She asked the Board for support so that staff can move forward immediately to improve deadly areas in the Excelsior so nobody else is injured or killed.

Herbert Weiner expressed concern about when the travel panels at bus stops would be fixed. They’re inaccurate. This has been going on for nearly two years. It’s a pain in the neck. Getting this fixed is a greater priority than getting new bike lanes. This will be straighten out after weapons of mass destruction are found. Muni Forward staff are well educated but they become mad scientists when they join the SFMTA.

Tariq Mehmood stated that the Beale Street closure at Mission created a lot of problems. The person standing at the intersection was writing tickets but didn’t stop traffic. This should be looked into as they needed to interact with the traffic. The Taxi Task Force has six seats for drivers that have been given to medallion holders. These seats should be empty or be filled with taxi drivers. There have been underground games with the driver fund. People who have nothing to do with the driver fund are making decisions. Task Force meeting times aren’t convenient for drivers.

Tone Lee discussed the building of the new Bay Bridge. A railroad should have been added. There’s too much traffic across the bridge. It’s not too late to add a rail line. Bike lanes are

becoming a parking lot for TNC's but taxi drivers get a ticket when they stop in a bike lane. The Taxi Driver Fund isn't for the drivers but it should be. There must be corruption.

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 – TRAFFIC SIGNAL – 15th Street and Dolores Street.
- B. REVOKE – BLUE ZONE, DISABLED PARKING ONLY, AT ALL TIMES – “1460” Powell Street, east side, from 67 feet to 85 feet south of Vallejo Street.
- C. ESTABLISH – BLUE ZONE, DISABLED PARKING ONLY, AT ALL TIMES – “1465” Powell Street, west side, from 5 feet to 27 feet south of Vallejo Street.
- D. REVOKE – BLUE ZONE, DISABLED PARKING ONLY, AT ALL TIMES – 1400 Green Street, north side, from 38 feet to 58 feet west of Polk Street.
- E. ESTABLISH – BLUE ZONE, DISABLED PARKING ONLY, AT ALL TIMES – 2375 Polk Street, west side, from 13 feet to 35 feet south of Union Street.
- F. ESTABLISH – BLUE ZONE, DISABLED PARKING ONLY, AT ALL TIMES – “777” Font Boulevard, south side of 700 Block of Font Boulevard west of the traffic circle.
- G. ESTABLISH – BIKE LANE – Page Street, eastbound, from Buchanan Street to Laguna Street.
- H. ESTABLISH – BLUE ZONES – 26th Avenue, west side, from 10 feet to 32 feet south of Irving Street; 21st Avenue, west side, from 5 feet to 32 feet south of Irving Street; Irving Street, north side, from 18 feet to 38 feet west of 19th Avenue; Irving Street, south side, from 16 feet to 29 feet east of 21st Avenue; Irving Street, north side, from 21st Avenue to 20 feet westerly; Irving Street, south side, from 37 feet to 50 feet east of 22nd Avenue; Irving Street, north side, from 21 feet to 41 feet west of 22nd Avenue; Irving Street, north side, from 3 feet to 23 feet west of 23rd Avenue; Irving Street, south side, from 16 feet to 29 feet east of 24th Avenue; and Irving Street, north side, from 2 feet to 22 feet west of 24th Avenue.
- I. RESCIND – CROSSWALK CLOSURE – Clement St., north side, crossing Arguello Blvd.
- J. ESTABLISH – NO LEFT TURN – 7th Avenue, northbound, at Lincoln Way.
- K. ESTABLISH – STOP SIGNS – Andover Street, northbound, at Richland Avenue; Andover Street, southbound, at Ogden Avenue.
- L. ESTABLISH – STOP SIGN – Prosper Street, northbound, at 16th Street.
- M. ESTABLISH – 25 MPH SPEED LIMIT – Octavia Blvd, between Market Street and Fell St.
- N. ESTABLISH – RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA W ELIGIBILITY – 18th Street, south side, between Hampshire Street and York Street (2600 block).

- O. ESTABLISH – RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA H, 2-HOUR PARKING, 8 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, EXCEPT VEHICLES WITH AREA H PERMITS – Moncada Way, both sides, between Junipero Serra Blvd. and Paloma Ave.
- P. ESTABLISH – BUS ZONE – McAllister Street, north side, from 75 feet to 100 feet west of Gough Street; McAllister Street, south side, from 80 feet to 100 feet east of Laguna Street; McAllister Street, north side, from 80 feet to 100 feet west of Laguna Street; and Fulton Street, south side, from Park Presidio Boulevard to 100 feet easterly.
- Q. RESCIND – BUS ZONE – Fulton Street, south side, from 14th Avenue west crosswalk to Park Presidio Boulevard.
- R. RESCIND – BLUE ZONE – Fulton Street, south side, from 20 feet to 60 feet east of Park Presidio Boulevard.
- S. ESTABLISH – BLUE ZONE Fulton Street, south side, from Funston Avenue to 20 feet easterly and Fulton Street, south side, from 14th Avenue west side crosswalk to 20 feet easterly.
- T. ESTABLISH – RED ZONE – Fulton Street, south side, from Park Presidio to 40 feet westerly.
- U. ESTABLISH – TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING, 7 AM TO 10 AM, DAILY – McAllister Street, south side, from 136 feet to 330 feet west of Van Ness Avenue and McAllister Street, south side, from Franklin Street to 157 feet westerly.
- V. ESTABLISH – LEFT LANE MUST TURN LEFT – McAllister Street, westbound, at Van Ness Avenue.
- W. ESTABLISH – CLASS II BIKE LANE – McAllister Street, westbound, at Van Ness Ave.
- X. ESTABLISH – TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME AND ESTABLISH –TRANSIT BULB – McAllister Street, north side, from 153 feet to 193 feet west of Van Ness Avenue. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution. For every parking and traffic modification that received a categorical exemption, the proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code.)

Item 10.1 G was removed from the agenda at the request of staff.

Item 10.1 Q, R and S was severed from the Consent Calendar at the request of a member of the public.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support for Item 10.1 Q, R and S: Howard Strassner

RESOLUTION 170307-025

On motion to approve Item 10.1 Q, R and S:

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

ABSENT – Heinicke

(10.2) Approving the permitted commuter shuttle bus zone modifications to remain in effect for the duration of Commuter Shuttle Program as follows:.

- A. ESTABLISH – TOW AWAY NO PARKING, PERMITTED COMMUTER SHUTTLE BUS ZONE, 8 PM TO 11 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY - 16th Street, north side,

from South Van Ness Avenue to 86 feet westerly

- B. ESTABLISH – TOW-AWAY NO PARKING, PERMITTED COMMUTER SHUTTLE BUS ZONE, 6 AM TO 10 AM, AND 4 PM TO 11 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY - 16th Street, north side, from 86 feet to 130 feet west of South Van Ness Avenue (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

RESOLUTION 170307-026

(10.3) Authorizing the Director to execute Contract No. 1294, M-Ocean View Track Replacement Project at 19th Avenue and Rossmoor Drive, with ProVen Management, for construction of safety, accessibility, and transit reliability improvements, in the amount of \$3,362,647.75, and for a term of 270 days. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, financial plan and resolution. The proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by S.F. Administrative Code Chapter 31.)

RESOLUTION 170307-027

On motion to approve the Consent Calendar (Item G removed and Items Q, R and S severed):

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

ABSENT - Heinicke

REGULAR CALENDAR

11. Finding that establishing a cul-de-sac on Quint Street south of the intersection of Palou and Silver avenues implements Policies 18.1, 23.6, and 26.2 of the transportation element of the City's General Plan and approving various parking and traffic modifications as part of the Palou Avenue Streetscape Improvement Project as follows:

- A. ESTABLISH – MEDIAN ISLAND - Palou Avenue at Industrial Street, east side; Palou Avenue at Selby Street, west side; Palou Avenue at Selby Street, east side; Palou Avenue at Rankin Street, west side; Palou Avenue at Rankin Street, east side; Palou Avenue at Phelps Street, west side; Palou Avenue at Newhall Street, east side; Palou Avenue at Keith Street, east side; Palou Avenue at Jennings Street, west side; Palou Avenue at Jennings Street, east side; Palou Avenue at Ingalls Street, west side; Palou Avenue at Ingalls Street, east side; Palou Avenue at Hawes Street, west side; Palou Avenue at Hawes Street east side.
- B. RESCIND – FLAG STOP - Palou Avenue, north side, at Newhall Street; Palou Avenue, north side, at Newhall Street; Palou Avenue, south side, at Newhall Street; Palou Avenue, north side, at Lane Street; Palou Avenue, south side, at Lane Street.
- C. ESTABLISH – RAISED CROSSWALK - Palou Ave at Dunshee St, northside crossing.
- D. ESTABLISH – CLASS II BIKE LANE - Quesada Avenue, south side, from 3rd Street to Griffith Street; Quesada Avenue, north side, from 3rd Street to Griffith Street.
- E. ESTABLISH - CUL-DE-SAC - Quint St. at the southern intersection of Palou and Silver aves.
- F. ESTABLISH – BLUE ZONE - Palou Ave., south side, from 36 to 71 feet west of Phelps St.
- G. ESTABLISH – RED ZONE - Palou Avenue, south side, from 0 to 20 feet west of Rankin Street; Palou Avenue, north side, from 0 to 20 feet west of Rankin Street; Palou Avenue, south side, from 0 to 20 feet east of Newhall Avenue; Palou Avenue, south side, from 0 to 20 feet east of Keith Street; Palou Avenue, south side, from 0 to 20 feet west of Hawes Street;

Newhall Street, west side, from 0 to 20 feet north of Palou Avenue; Jennings Street, east side, from 0 to 20 feet south of Palou Avenue. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, financial plan and resolution. The proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by S.F. Administrative Code Chapter 31.)

Felipe Robles, Project Manager, presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing opposition: Johanna Coble, Johnny Lau, Alan Situ, Edward Capla, Chris Logan, Ifeyinwa Nzerem, Herbert Weiner and Debra Scales.

Chairman Brinkman requested a report regarding additional parking management practices that could be employed. Director Borden requested a report regarding possible additional locations for diagonal parking and other interventions for the cul-de-sac.

RESOLUTION 170307-028

On motion to approve:

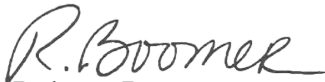
ADOPTED: AYES –Brinkman, Hsu, Nolan, Ramos, and Rubke

NAYES - Borden,

ABSENT - Heinicke

ADJOURN - The meeting was adjourned at 2:44 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