



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

**MINUTES**

Tuesday, April 2, 2019  
Room 400, City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place

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

**SFMTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Malcolm Heinicke, Chair  
Gwyneth Borden, Vice Chair  
Cheryl Brinkman  
Amanda Eaken  
Lee Hsu  
Cristina Rubke  
Art Torres

Edward D. Reiskin  
DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION

Roberta Boomer  
SECRETARY

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## ORDER OF BUSINESS

### 1. Call to Order

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

### 2. Roll Call

Present: Cheryl Brinkman  
Gwyneth Borden – absent at Roll Call  
Amanda Eaken  
Malcolm Heinicke  
Lee Hsu  
Cristina Rubke  
Art Torres

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

Board Secretary Boomer 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

No public comment.

On motion to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2019 Regular Meeting and March 26, 2019 Special Closed Session: unanimously approved (Borden-absent).

### 5. Communications

Chair Heinicke asked that the meeting be adjourned in honor of Ray Antonio, former Muni operator and Chair, Transport Workers Union, Local 250-A.

Board Secretary Boomer stated that the conference in closed session with the labor negotiator had been cancelled.

### 6. Introduction of New or Unfinished Business by Board Members

Director Brinkman requested information about the Mission Geneva project.

Director Borden arrived.

7. Director's Report (For discussion only)

- Special Recognition
- LRV procurement and financing
- Ongoing Activities

Tom Maguire, Director, Sustainable Streets recognized Signal Shop employees.

Ed Reiskin, Director of Transportation discussed light rail vehicle procurement and financing; the return of the 30 and 45 lines to their regular routes; 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the L Taraval line; powered scooter-share program open house; Walk to Work Day, and Bike and Roll to School week.

Director Torres requested information regarding liability issues of scooter riders not wearing a helmet.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mary McGuire discussed liability of scooter share users. People are renting bikes and scooters for their families. They aren't using the bike lanes. Little kids don't have helmets. The amount of bike traffic headed to Fisherman's Wharf is unbelievable. The Board needs to set some limits. Maybe riders should sign a release through the company's app. There needs to be more training.

8. Citizens' Advisory Council Report

No report.

Chair Heinicke acknowledged receipt of the CAC's recommendation regarding their light rail seating configuration preference.

9. Public Comment

John Paar discussed station inequality on the N Judah at Embarcadero and Folsom Street and 31<sup>st</sup> and Judah. He discussed station differences including seating, coverage, and signage at the stations. The 31<sup>st</sup> Street stop is unsafe. He asked the Board to invest in the N Judah stop at 31<sup>st</sup> and Judah.

Barry Taranto expressed appreciation to Taxi and Accessible Services staff for their work with cab stands. Cab drivers are waiting a long time at the airport. They feel lied to by staff. There are more medallions at the airport due to the addition of the Credit Union medallions. The four-day class for cab drivers should be reinstated. The SFMTA should look again at how to restrict the number of Transportation Network Companies (TNCs).

Herbert Weiner reported an hour wait for the 33 bus at a stop where there were no travel panels. The bus stop had been relocated and the travel panel doesn't work. There hasn't been any progress with installing a panel at that stop. He was rudely inconvenienced. Riders should have the same status as cyclists. There are more passengers than cyclists.

Dave Osgood discussed plans for a bike lane on Howard Street between Main and Beale. Staff has been vague about their plans for the area. They say there will be something done after the Transbay Terminal reopens but haven't said what the plan is. They could paint now. He urged the Board to put in a bike lane.

Mary McGuire discussed the airport policy for taxi drivers. By adding the Credit Union medallions, the SFMTA has sabotaged their own program. The Board needs to look at the configuration at the airport. People are waiting, on average, for two hours. Most of the cars in San Francisco are TNCs. She expressed appreciation for the new cab stands at Fisherman's Wharf and on Third Street.

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. 7<sup>th</sup> 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) Requesting the Controller to allot funds and to draw warrants against such funds available or will be available in payment of the following claims against the SFMTA:

- A. Genetrix Guevarra vs. CCSF, Superior Ct. #CGC17560410 filed on 7/26/17 for \$7,500
- B. Chong Min Moon vs. CCSF, Superior Ct. #CGC16551398 filed on 4/8/16 for \$86,000.01  
(Explanatory documents include a resolution.)

#### RESOLUTION 190402-035

(10.2) Amending the Transportation Code, Division II, Section 801 to expand parking restrictions along 24th Avenue and add pre-existing parking restrictions on Eddy and Jones Streets and approving the parking restriction to extend the SFPD vehicle only parking zone fronting Taraval Police Station along 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue as follows:

- A. ESTABLISH – NO PARKING, ALL TIMES, EXCEPT CITY-OWNED SAN FRANCISCO POLICE DEPARTMENT VEHICLES DISPLAYING A PERMIT ISSUED BY THE SFMTA – 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue, east side, from 205 feet to 371 feet south of Santiago Street. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, amendment and resolution. The proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by the S.F. Administrative Code Chapter 31.

RESOLUTION 190402-036

No public comment.

On motion to approve the Consent Calendar:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Eaken, Heinicke, Hsu, Rubke, and Torres

#### REGULAR CALENDAR

11. Presentation and discussion regarding the Vision Zero High Injury Network and a policy for Quick-Build Vision Zero projects. (Explanatory documents include a slide presentation.)

Tom Maguire, Director, Sustainable Streets, presented the item.

Chair Heinicke requested information regarding the type of vehicles traveling on Market Street and requested analysis of incidents.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

Charles Deffarges expressed appreciation for the 90-day action plan. The list needs to be bigger and include streets such as 7<sup>th</sup>, Market, Embarcadero, and 11<sup>th</sup>. The plan needs to include timelines and milestones so there is accountability. Subsequent projects will continue to be bogged down by approval, design, and outreach. The SFMTA needs to rethink each aspect of a project's process.

Kevin Stull expressed support for the quick term improvement projects as well as long term projects that will improve safety for bikes and pedestrians throughout the City. Quick term improvements are needed especially for neighborhoods such as the Tenderloin or where there are high concentrations of seniors and families with children. They need to be done as soon as possible.

Jodie Mederios expressed appreciation for the report and for the planning and project designs that staff is doing. One of the most delayed projects missing from the list is the Mission and Geneva project. She would like to see projects that focus on pedestrian safety, as most of the projects on the list focus on cyclists. She expressed hope that the next report will include all 100 miles of the network.

Jan van der Lugt is happy to see the projects move along. He saw newspaper articles from 2015 listing Howard Street as problematic. Cars, especially TNC drivers, are parking in the bike lane, which is forcing cyclists into high speed traffic. He requested the involvement of the police department, so they

can issue tickets. Uber and Lyft don't have a way to take complaints about their drivers. Fines should be levied against the companies.

Winston Parsons discussed California St. between 18<sup>th</sup> and Arguello. He urged the SFMTA to be as robust as possible rather than do spot changes. He is seeing people parking in the daylighting areas. He would like to see the interim fixes become permanent. He would like to see more pedestrian projects. It's absurd that it takes so long to increase crossing times for seniors.

Alice Rogers expressed appreciation for the plan as it will move things forward in an accelerated manner. She urged the Board to not leave pedestrians behind in the plan. She relayed an incident where a cyclist clipped a senior. Staff needs to engineer for everybody.

Rachel Hyden expressed appreciation for the comments made about the Mission Geneva transit only lanes. It is the Board's job to uphold the Transit-First policy and to prioritize transit rather than cars. Paint on a transit-only lane is a great way to speed up Muni. These lanes also significantly improve street safety. It's a real, true solution to Vision Zero. She expressed support for the idea of piloting projects.

12. Discussion and vote pursuant to Administrative Code Section 67.10(d) as to whether to invoke the attorney-client privilege and conduct a closed session conference with legal counsel.

On motion to invoke the attorney-client privilege: unanimously approved.

RECESS REGULAR MEETING AND CONVENE CLOSED SESSION

#### CLOSED SESSION

#### 1. Call to Order

Chair Heinicke called the closed session to order at 2:50 p.m.

#### 2. Roll Call

Present: Cheryl Brinkman  
Gwyneth Borden  
Amanda Eaken  
Malcolm Heinicke  
Lee Hsu  
Cristina Rubke  
Art Torres

Also present: Ed Reiskin, Director of Transportation  
Roberta Boomer, Board Secretary  
Susan Cleveland-Knowles, Deputy City Attorney

Julie Kirschbaum, acting Director, Transit

3. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) 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 on the following:

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

Existing Litigation:

Jonathon Traverso vs. CCSF, Superior Ct. #CGC16550280 filed on 2/4/16 for \$664,550.40

RESOLUTION 190402-037

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Eaken, Heinicke, Hsu, Rubke, and Torres

4. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6(a) and Administrative Code Section 67.8, the Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors shall meet in closed session for:

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR

CCSF Representative: Janie Richardson and/or her designees

Employee Organizations:

1. Transport Workers Union Local 250-A
2. Transport Workers Union Local 200
3. International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 6
4. International Association of Machinists & Aerospace Workers Local 1414
5. Service Employees International Union Local 1021
6. Municipal Executives Association
7. Service Employees International Union City Wide Contract
8. The International Federation of Professional and Technical Engineers, Local 21

To discuss:

- Wages
- Hours
- Benefits
- Working Conditions
- Other



This item was not discussed.

ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION AND RECONVENE OPEN SESSION - The closed session was adjourned at 2:53 p.m.

13. Announcement of Closed Session.

Chair Heinicke announced that the SFMTA Board of Directors met in closed session to discuss the Traverso case with the City Attorney. The Board of Directors voted to settle the case.

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

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

ADJOURN - The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m. in memory of Ray Antonio.

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*

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.

Board of Supervisors review of certain SFMTA Decisions: Certain parking and traffic modifications as well as Private Transportation Programs that involve certain parking modifications can be reviewed by the Board of Supervisors. These decisions are subject to review within 30 calendar days after they are made by the SFMTA Board of Directors. For information on requesting a review, contact the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors at City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco, CA 94102, call (415) 554-5184. Ordinance No. 127-18 specifying which SFMTA decisions are reviewable by the Board of Supervisors can be accessed on-line: <https://sfbos.org/sites/default/files/o0127-18.pdf>.

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