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MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY  
CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL

ENGINEERING, MAINTENANCE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Wednesday, March 25, 2015  
Noe Valley Conference Room, #7075  
1 South Van Ness Avenue, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor

REGULAR MEETING  
3:00 P.M.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS  
Frank Zepeda, Chairman  
Dorris Vincent  
Roland Wong

COUNCIL LIAISON  
Roberta Boomer

COUNCIL SECRETARY  
Yvette Torres

## ORDER OF BUSINESS

### 1. Call to Order

Chairman Zepeda called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

### 2. Roll Call

EMSC members present at Roll Call: Dorris Vincent and Frank Zepeda

EMSC members absent: Roland Wong

SFMTA CAC members not on this committee, but also present: Stephen Cornell and Steve Ferrario

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

The CAC Secretary made the announcement.

### 4. Approval of Minutes:

- January 28, 2015
- February 25, 2015

On motion to approve the minutes of January 28, 2015 and February 25, 2015:

ADOPTED: AYES – Dorris Vincent and Frank Zepeda

NAYES – None

ABSENT – Roland Wong

### 5. Report of the Chairman (For discussion only)

None

### 6. Public Comment:

Mark Kraft commented on safety issues at the transit shelter at O'Farrell and Market Streets. Mr. Kraft stated that that shelter has had people camping there; there is limited lighting; and it provides an obstruction to criminal activity. Mr. Kraft would like this shelter to be relocated.

## REGULAR CALENDAR

### 7. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding the Van Ness Bus Rapid Transit Project. (Peter Gabancho, Project Manager)

Peter Gabancho provided an update of the Van Ness Bus Rapid Transit project, which will improve transit reliability; separate automobiles from transit; reduce delays; and improve pedestrian safety. Mr. Gabancho discussed the benefits; street configuration; conceptual rail design options; and traffic and parking changes of the project.

Public Comment:

Edward Mason commented that there are massive trees on Church Street that have branches near overhead wires. In Santa Clara, trees located near overhead wires are cut short. Mr. Mason inquired about which city agency would maintain the trees on Van Ness Avenue.

Motion 150325.01

The SFMTA CAC encourages the SFMTA to immediately close off all left turn pockets on Van Ness Avenue that have already been legislated for removal. The purpose of this is to determine the viability of the traffic patterns within the BRT project area.

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Dorris Vincent and Frank Zepeda  
NAYES - None  
ABSENT – Roland Wong

Motion 150325.02

The SFMTA CAC recommends that staff work with existing businesses to mitigate the effects of their daily business operation during and after the construction of the Van Ness BRT project.

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Dorris Vincent and Frank Zepeda  
NAYES - None  
ABSENT – Roland Wong

8. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding the operations plan for the Central Subway Project including changes to other lines and routes. (Paul Bignardi, Principle Planner)

Paul Bignardi provided information on the operating plans for the Central Subway. Mr. Bignardi stated that there are no expected changes in service for the 45 Union/Stockton, 41 Union, 30 Stockton, and 8X Bayshore Express lines at this time.

Public Comment:

None

9. Committee member requests for information. (For discussion only)

None

10. Schedule upcoming calendar items. (For discussion only)

Next regular meeting: Wednesday, April 22, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.  
1 South Van Ness Avenue, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Noe Valley Conference Room, #7075

The meeting was adjourned at 5:17 p.m.

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Yvette Torres', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Yvette Torres  
SFMTA CAC - Secretary

