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

**MINUTES**

Tuesday, August 15, 2017  
Room 400, City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place

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

**SFMTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Cheryl Brinkman, Chairman,  
Malcolm Heinicke, Vice Chairman  
Gwyneth Borden  
Lee Hsu  
Joél Ramos  
Cristina Rubke  
Art Torres

Edward D. Reiskin  
**DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION**

Roberta Boomer  
**SECRETARY**

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## ORDER OF BUSINESS

### 1. Call to Order

Chairman Brinkman called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

### 2. Roll Call

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

### 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.

Director Torres arrived.

### 4. Approval of Minutes

No public comment.

On motion to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2017 Regular Meeting: unanimously approved.

### 5. Communications

Board Secretary Boomer announced that Item 12 was removed from the agenda as the closed session did not involve a conference with legal counsel.

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

Vice Chairman Heinicke asked staff to look into signage and education efforts to allow pregnant women to have a seat at the front of the bus along with seniors and people with disabilities.

Vice Chairman Heinicke asked staff to consider a pilot project regarding going cashless on cable cars and include discussion of that in the next budget cycle.

Chairman Brinkman asked that an information item regarding Piazza St. Francis be scheduled for later this fall so the Board can get input from the public.

## 7. Director's Report (For discussion only)

- Special Recognition Award
- Better Market Street Project
- Update on Vision Zero
- Ongoing Activities

John Haley, Director, Transit Services, recognized Terrance Highsmith, Transit Operator. Tom Maguire, Director, Sustainable Streets, recognized various Sustainable Street divisions.

Ed Reiskin, Director of Transportation discussed Vision Zero efforts, the Better Market Street project; Light Rail Vehicle testing, the Cable Car Gearbox Rehabilitation Project, Inner Sunset Street Project and the M Oceanview route improvements.

In response to a comment by Director Torres about underage cyclists who use bike share bikes but who are not wearing a helmet, Director Reiskin stated that he would follow up with the bike share operator.

### PUBLIC COMMENT:

Tariq Mehmood discussed the cable car project. There should be ticket machines along the routes. There are many traffic signs that need to be adjusted. Some pedestrian signals aren't easily seen. Speed limit signs need to be posted on every block.

Herbert Weiner discussed traffic safety and Vision Zero. When he asked a cyclist to not ride on the sidewalk, the cyclist swore at him. He wondered about the danger of a cyclist on the sidewalk colliding with pedestrians and whether who don't ride in their bike lane would get cited. Cyclists are moving vehicles and are just as dangerous. They shouldn't get a free pass. There needs to be enforcement.

Ed Healy said that nobody ever mentions tailgating. It's as dangerous as speeding. The police should enforce the rules.

## 8. Citizens' Advisory Council Report

No report.

## 9. Public Comment

Tariq Mehmood stated that taxi medallions were needed. He fought the San Francisco Airport (SFO) who was trying to remove their taxi lot. The SFMTA didn't help. SFO has given the lot back to taxis. He asked the Board to set up a committee to deal with Uber and Lyft. Within 60 days, the taxis will come back.

Herbert Weiner discussed the L Taraval line. It has wreaked havoc in the neighborhood. People have to walk long distances and in the winter, it will be in the cold. He asked the Board revisit this project as there is no value in what has happened. There are missing and late coaches. The

SFMTA should listen to the community. The L Taraval is a major route in the city and the project has inconvenienced people.

Tone Lee stated that the T line is good but it's slow. He said there should be a G Line to go to the west end of the city. There is space at the end of the Marina Green and in the Presidio. The transit system is 100% green.

Eden Stein discussed the bike share program and the impact on the Mission Bernal community and 29<sup>th</sup> Street. She read a letter from the owner of a UPS Store that said that the UPS store was not notified about the bike program. The business has lost their customer loading zones and customers as a result. There is nowhere on 29<sup>th</sup> St. for the UPS store to park safely to deliver packages. She asked for the bikes to be removed. There was no community involvement in the process.

Michael Hotta stated that his business was not notified of the installation of the bike share infrastructure on 29<sup>th</sup> Street. Parking spaces have been removed which has encouraged more double parking. He asked that the bikes be taken off the block as 29<sup>th</sup> St. is not an ideal location.

Ani Rivera discussed Ford bikes and the lack of process of community engagement. The Mission Bernal area wasn't consulted. This business district depends on people walking and stopping. She asked for the removal of the bike share program and for a full community-based approach to address various issues. This is a safety and business sustainability issue. The neighborhood wants to work as a team to partner for a thriving neighborhood.

Tom Temprano echo concerns about the Ford Go bikes. They were installed without any consultation with businesses that have these bikes stations in front of them. There is a continued lack of process and engagement with small businesses and residents, from red lanes to bikes. Neighborhood feels imposed on. He encouraged staff to engage with neighbors and small businesses to try to find a good location for the bikes but for other projects as well.

Kevin Cline discussed 29<sup>th</sup> Street as an entrance to the Mission Bernal corridor. The Go bikes have caused a dramatic increase in double parking and has caused other cars to make erratic movements. It's not safe. He's not against bike share programs and resents the complete lack of outreach to the community. The community may have suggestions but this project was thrown at them. He urged the Board to remove the bikes immediately.

Ed Healy discussed the taxi drivers fund in the amount of \$4.5 million. The original disposition was to pay the money back to the drivers for which there was agreement but now there is a back door deal to give the money back to the SFMTA in the guise of helping drivers. The SFMTA has already been amply compensated. The money is supposed back to drivers but the funds will be taken out to pay for licensing. Most drivers are old and don't want to continue working so paying for their "A" card renewal is absurd.

Chairman Brinkman asked staff to work with Motivate to address the bike share concerns on 29<sup>th</sup> Street. Director Borden also asked to know what the SFMTA's responsibility is for bike share locations. Director Reiskin said that he would report back at the next meeting.

## 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. Rika Virgo vs. CCSF, Superior Ct. #CGC15543879 filed on 1/29/15 for \$1,000
- B. Chala Tufa Muleta vs. CCSF, Superior Ct. #CGC15549072 filed on 11/19/15 for \$10,000
- C. Nicolas Cascio vs. CCSF, Superior Ct. #CGC14543318 filed on 12/19/14 for \$85,000
- D. Lan Lin and Xia Zhang vs. CCSF, Superior Ct. #15548589 filed on 10/22/15 for \$89,500  
(Explanatory documents include a resolution.)

### RESOLUTION 170815-101

(10.2) Approving the following traffic modifications:

- A. ESTABLISH – STOP SIGNS – Leavenworth Street, northbound and southbound, at Broadway.
- B. ESTABLISH — TOW-AWAY, NO PARKING ANYTIME – Pierce Street, south terminus, at 315 feet south of Waller Street.
- C. ESTABLISH – LEFT LANE MUST TURN LEFT – Washington St., westbound, at Drumm St.
- D. ESTABLISH – STOP SIGN – Marston Avenue, eastbound, at Circular Avenue.
- E. ESTABLISH – RED ZONE – Rockwood Court, west side, from 198 feet to 230 feet south of Rockaway Avenue.
- F. ESTABLISH – STOP SIGN – Wood Street, southbound, at Anza Street.
- G. ESTABLISH – RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA Q, 2-HOUR PARKING, 8 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, EXCEPT VEHICLES WITH AREA Q PERMITS – Page Street, both sides, between Baker Street and Lyon Street.
- H. ESTABLISH – RECTANGULAR RAPID FLASHING BEACON – 22nd Street, eastbound and westbound, at mid-block crossing between Potrero Avenue and San Bruno Avenue.
- I. ESTABLISH – RECTANGULAR RAPID FLASHING BEACON – Irving Street, eastbound and westbound, at 5th Avenue; Irving Street, eastbound and westbound, at 8th Avenue.
- J. ESTABLISH – GENERAL METERED PARKING, 4-HOUR TIME LIMIT, 9 AM TO 10 PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AND SPECIAL EVENT SUNDAYS – El Dorado Street, east side, between Channel Street and Long Bridge Street; El Dorado Street, west side, between Channel Street and Long Bridge Street.
- K. ESTABLISH – TOW AWAY, NO STOPPING ANYTIME; El Dorado, east side, from Channel Street to 97 feet southerly.
- L. ESTABLISH – TOW AWAY, NO STOPPING ANYTIME; El Dorado (South), west side, from Long Bridge Street to 100 feet northerly.
- M. ESTABLISH – BLUE ZONE, DISABLED PARKING ONLY, AT ALL TIMES – 208 Utah Street, west side from 8 feet to 18 feet south of 15<sup>th</sup> Street
- N. ESTABLISH – RED ZONE – Hanover St., south side, from 9.5 feet to 39.5 feet west of Watt Ave.
- O. ESTABLISH – STOP SIGNS – Linden Street, eastbound and westbound, at Laguna Street.

- P. ESTABLISH – STOP SIGN – McKinnon Avenue, westbound, at Phelps Street
- Q. ESTABLISH — NO PARKING ANYTIME – Russian Hill Place, east side, from Vallejo Street to north terminus of Russian Hill Place
- R. ESTABLISH – STOP SIGNS – Seneca Avenue, eastbound and westbound, at Bannock Street
- S. ESTABLISH – RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA I ELIGIBILITY – 2629 Mission St.
- T. ESTABLISH – RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA J ELIGIBILITY – Stanyan Street, east side, between Waller Street and Beulah Street.
- U. ESTABLISH – TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING EXCEPT MUNI, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, 3 PM TO 7 PM – Mission Street, north side, from Spear Street to Steuart Street
- V. ESTABLISH – TOW AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME – Alemany Boulevard, east side, from Silver Avenue to 25 feet southerly; Silver Avenue, south side, from Alemany Boulevard to 25 feet easterly
- W. ESTABLISH – RED ZONE – Tennessee Street, east side, from 24th Street north 40 feet. (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.)

#### RESOLUTION 170815-102

(10.3) Authorizing the Director to accept and expend \$9,609,241 in FY 2018 Transit Performance Initiative Program funds from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission for the Geary Bus Rapid Transit Project; and adopting a Resolution of Support under the STP/CMAQ programs of MAP-21, any extensions of MAP-21, or any successor legislation for continued funding. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

#### RESOLUTION 170815-103

(10.4) Awarding six contracts, three for federally funded projects and three for locally funded projects, to Caribou Public Relations, JBR and Associates, and Butler Enterprise Group, for As-Needed Ambassador Services, to provide customer assistance during major events, for projects, and in emergencies, each for a term of five years, with an option to extend the contracts in the amounts of: \$1,666,000 for Caribou’s locally funded contract, and \$1,566,000 for its federally funded contract; \$1,566,000 for JBR’s locally funded contract and \$1,666,000 for its federally funded contract; and \$1,666,000 for both of Butler’s locally and federally funded contracts. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, resolution and contracts.)

#### RESOLUTION 170815-104

(10.5) Authorizing the Director to execute Amendment No. 3 to Contract No. CPT 713, Procurement of Hybrid Coaches with New Flyer of America, to revise the list of Spare Parts and Special Tools and include the list of additional equipment added to the vehicles during the production phase, for an additional amount of \$1,504,252 and a total contract amount not to exceed \$413,774,673, with no change to the term of the contract. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, resolution and amendment.)

#### RESOLUTION 170815-105

(10.6) Appointing Robert Shaw to the Bond Oversight Committee, effective August 16, 2017. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, and resolution.)

RESOLUTION 170815-106

On motion to approve the Consent Calendar:

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

REGULAR CALENDAR

11. Adopting the SFMTA’s 20-year Capital Plan, which includes a list of capital needs linked to the Agency’s Strategic Plan for projects to be funded through the Capital Improvement Program. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, resolution and plan.)

Jessie Rosemoore, Project Planner, presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support: Cathy DeLuca

RESOLUTION 170815-107

On motion to approve:

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

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.

This item was removed from the agenda as the closed session does not involve a conference with legal counsel.

RECESS REGULAR MEETING AND CONVENE CLOSED SESSION

CLOSED SESSION

1. Call to Order

Chairman Brinkman called the closed session to order at 2:34 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Cheryl Brinkman  
Gwyneth Borden  
Malcolm Heinicke  
Lee Hsu  
Joél Ramos



Cristina Rubke  
Art Torres

Also present: Ed Reiskin, Director of Transportation  
Roberta Boomer, Board Secretary

3. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 and Administrative Code Section 67.10 (b), the SFMTA Board of Directors will meet in closed session to discuss:

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION:

Ed Reiskin, Director of Transportation

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PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION:

Roberta Boomer, Board Secretary

ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION AND RECONVENE OPEN SESSION - The closed session was adjourned at 3:23 p.m.

13. Announcement of Closed Session.

Chairman Brinkman announced that the SFMTA Board of Directors met in closed session to discuss performance evaluations but took no action.

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

On motion to not disclose the information discussed: unanimously approved.

ADJOURN-The meeting was adjourned at 3:24p.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

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