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ENGINEERING, MAINTENANCE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

**Wednesday, July 26, 2017
Noe Valley Conference Room, #7075
1 South Van Ness Avenue, 7th Floor**

**REGULAR MEETING
4:00 P.M.**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS
Frank Zepeda, Chairman
Cesar Magdaleno
Dorris Vincent**

**COUNCIL LIAISON
Roberta Boomer**

**COUNCIL SECRETARY
Keka Robinson-Luqman**

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

Chairman Zepeda called the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m.

2. Roll Call

EMSC members present at Roll Call: Cesar Magdaleno and Frank Zepeda

EMSC members absent at Roll Call: Dorris Vincent

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

CAC Secretary Robinson-Luqman made the announcement.

4. Approval of Minutes:

No public comment.

On motion to approve the minutes of May 17, 2017:

ADOPTED: AYES – Cesar Magdaleno and Frank Zepeda

ABSENT – Dorris Vincent

5. Report of the Chairman (For discussion only)

Chairman Frank Zepeda reported that Item 9 would be removed from the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

David Pilpel encouraged the committee to ask staff to develop a written policy on vintage fleet and the disposition of vehicles for SFMTA Board approval.

Edward Mason stated that any policy and procedure written for vintage vehicles should be agency wide. The policy should include a maintenance plan, where the vehicles would be stored, what the criteria is for retaining them, and guidelines on spare parts.

6. Public Comment:

Edward Mason discussed bird droppings at Muni stations. Although the quantity has decreased at West Portal station, there are still locations where it is an issue. There are stations where cones and towels are placed on the ground to accumulate the bird droppings. While it is improving, it's a continuing problem. There needs to be action to solve the problem and improve the image of the SFMTA.

David Pilpel stated that the inadequate Subway shutdown notice was another example of poor coordination within the SFMTA about Capital projects that affect the public. He encouraged the committee to have a future item on the agenda that will address how the SFMTA coordinates projects and their outreach efforts to the public. Mr. Pilpel also stated that there are other projects coming down the pike that will have major impact on the public. He stated that how those projects will be coordinated with new fare boxes and new technology and how they will affect passengers should be discussed at a future committee meeting.

REGULAR CALENDAR

7. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding the Geneva Harney Bus Rapid Transit Project and related developments. (Kansai Uchida, Project Manager. Explanatory documents include a slide presentation.)

Kansai Uchida provided an update on the Geneva Harney Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project. It will be seven miles long and will decrease current travel time of 36 minutes to an estimated 25 minutes. The project will cost \$40 to \$90 million and will have regional transit connections. Service is scheduled to begin in 2023.

Member Dorris Vincent arrived at 4:32 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Edward Mason inquired who will be the future residents of the area that is under development, what will be their income levels, and if they will be prone to taking transit or reliant on Uber and Lyft. He also inquired if allowances will have to be made for commuter shuttles and if the T Third line will be extended into the CalTrain station.

David Pilpel inquired if possible stops have been considered yet. He stated that it is important to coordinate with Recology. There is a lot going on in the area in terms of construction.

8. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding Connect SF. (Grahm Satterwhite, Principle Planner and Lucas Woodward, Senior Transportation Planner. Explanatory documents include a slide presentation.)

Lucas Woodward updated the committee on the progress of ConnectSF and solicited feedback on a taskforce workshop and public outreach efforts.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Edward Mason stated that budget set asides are done in silos. This process should be elevated to issues of San Francisco as a whole and then be brought back down to tackle transit issues. Decisions are made without input and discussions.

David Pilpel stated that implications and trade-offs are important. Part of the next piece of work is to frame some of those choices. Maybe the agency is throwing money into something and it isn't really helping. It's arguable whether some of these projects result in a positive return.

9. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding the disposition of vintage transit equipment. (Lee Summerlott, Deputy Director, Rail Maintenance. No explanatory documents.)

This item was not presented and will be rescheduled for a future meeting.

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

ADJOURN - The meeting was adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'KAR Luqman', with some scribbles and a horizontal line through the middle.

Keka Robinson-Luqman
SFMTA CAC – Secretary

Next regular meeting: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.
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