



San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors & Parking Authority Commission

MINUTES • Meeting Date: Tuesday, February 22, 2022

POLICY AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING

9:00 am

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Sharon Lai, Chair
Gwyneth Borden
Fiona Hinze

DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION

Jeffrey Tumlin

MANAGER, PUBLIC RECORDS REQUESTS

Caroline Celaya



ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Lai at 9:01 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Fiona Hinze
Sharon Lai

Absent: Gwyneth Borden (with notification)

3. Approval of Minutes

PUBLIC COMMENT:

David Pilpel stated that Deputy City Attorney Robin Reitzes' name should be capitalized and he has other non-substantive edits that he will provide to the secretary.

On motion to approve the minutes of the November 23, 2021 Regular Meeting: unanimously approved (Borden - absent).

4. Public Comment

David Pilpel stated that he hopes the J line is successful in the subway and that it stays in the subway. On Saturday and Sunday there were free fares on Muni but it was not well communicated. Most operators hadn't seen the fare bulletin. He suggests that, in the future, SFMTA communicates better with operators and the public.

5. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding the SFMTA Regional Capital Priorities Discussion.

Monique Webster, Regional Government Affairs Manager Emily Heard, Senior Transportation Planner, Funding Strategy and Programs, and Kansai Uchida, Principal Transportation Planner, Major Corridors Planning and ConnectSF, presented the report.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Edward Mason asked if there was any demographic information to indicate the sustainability for these programs. The current birth rate is not going to sustain the population. VTA has an auditor



general that provides quarterly reports on major project delivery. The extension of the Central Subway to Fisherman's Wharf he views as real estate development project and not necessary. Growth is not funding growth. The five-minute network, with the elimination of the 2 Clement, is a disservice to the mobility impaired community. He is hesitant of ConnectSF in totality.

Peter Strauss stated that the ConnectSF project map makes him nervous as it assumes a life of its own. This is not where he'd suggest the SFMTA spend \$20 billion. He doesn't believe that the 19th Avenue Corridor Project serves San Francisco best. The map should show the Caltrain and Pennsylvania Avenue corridors that are extensions. Staff stated that the Link 21 proposal requires a new corridor to connect to but that is incorrect.

David Pilpel stated that there is a massive uncertainty on the demand and SFMTA needs to emphasize state of good repair and maintenance rather than enhance or expand. He suggested reconvening the ConnectSF Task Force. He is not supportive of subway expansion but the Bayview Caltrain extension is fine although more specifics on the five-minute network is needed. He is supportive of lines for five-minute network but believes the rail specifics are controversial including three car trains on N Judah and M Oceanview. A written rail service plan is needed from Sean Kennedy's group and there needs to be more public outreach.

Meeting adjourned at 10:08 a.m.

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