

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

MEETING MINUTES • Meeting Date: Tuesday, August 6, 2024

# **REGULAR MEETING AND CLOSED SESSION**

1:00pm

1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place Room 400, City Hall

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# SFMTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Amanda Eaken, Chair Stephanie Cajina, Vice Chair Steve Heminger Dominica Henderson Fiona Hinze Janet Tarloy

#### **DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION**

Jeffrey Tumlin

# **BOARD SECRETARY**

Christine Silva



#### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Call to Order

Chair Eaken called the meeting to order at 1:05pm.

2. Roll Call

Present: Steve Heminger

Dominica Henderson

Fiona Hinze Janet Tarlov Amanda Eaken

Absent: Stephanie Cajina (with notification)

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

Board Secretary Silva made the announcement.

- 4. Approval of Minutes
  - July 16, 2024, Regular Meeting

No public comment.

On motion to approve the minutes of the July 16, 2024, Regular Meeting:

ADOPTED: AYES – Heminger, Henderson, Hinze, Tarlov, and Eaken

ABSENT - Cajina

5. Communications

None.

- 6. Director's Report (For discussion only)
  - Special Recognition
  - Transit Updates
  - Streetcar Dedication
  - Ongoing Activities



Director Tumlin introduced Julie Kirschbaum, Director of Transit, to recognize the Civic Center Substation Recovery Team. Director Tumlin then shared about transit service changes, the upcoming tunnel closure, Sunday Streets, and shared about a streetcar dedication to Michael "Mr. Boston" Delia.

Director Tarlov requested an update on progress made to bus shelters and display information.

Director Heminger requested a monthly chart showing ridership data to understand how the agency is doing.

Director Tumlin suggested sending the monthly ridership updates from the agency's performance team.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

Thierry spoke about intelligence and shared that nothing is a coincidence.

Speaker expressed concern about the Bicycle Coalition's relationship with the SFMTA.

Aleta Dupree expressed support for the upcoming tunnel work and shared that the city should pay for the transit system.

Speaker expressed concern about the recent Dolores Hill Bombing event.

Speaker expressed concern about a bikeshare location at 1001 Valencia Street taking up parking spaces in front of his business.

Herbert Weiner expressed support for a transit first approach.

# 7. Citizens' Advisory Council Report

Chair Aaron Leifer shared the report and recommendation during Item 12.

# 8. New or Unfinished Business by Board Members

Chair Eaken summarized comments received at her office hours, including comments about Brotherhood Way improvements, allocation of parking enforcement resources and signal prioritization for transit.

No public comment.



#### 9. Public Comment

Members of the public may address the SFMTA Board of Directors on matters that are within the Board's jurisdiction and are not on today's calendar.

Theirry expressed concern about wildfire prevention.

Speaker expressed concern about a Bicycle Coalition contract and equitable treatment.

Aleta Dupree questioned whether a bus stop at Geary Boulevard and Filmore Street was gone and also appreciated Chair Eaken's virtual office hours.

Luke Bornheimer expressed concern about the lack of improvements in the Arguello/Presidio area, sharing that nothing has been done.

Herbert Weiner expressed concern about funding to Bicycle Coalition, sharing that it does not need more resources.

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. 7th 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 claim against the SFMTA: (Explanatory documents include a resolution.)
    - A. Freddy Venegas, Unlitigated Claim No. C23-0145 filed 12/31/2022 for \$50,000 (City to receive). Claim involving allegations of property damage to revenue vehicle.
    - B. Jose Magana Tzun v. CCSF, et al., SF Superior Ct. Case No. CGC-23-605025 filed 03/06/2023 for \$75,000. Lawsuit involves allegations of personal injury from operator negligence (fall on board revenue vehicle).



# **RESOLUTION No. 240806-087**

- 10.2. Approving various routine parking and traffic modifications: (The Planning Department has found that Item A is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act [CEQA]. For these parking and traffic modifications that received a categorical exemption, the proposed SFMTA Board action constitutes the Approval Action as defined by Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code. Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)
  - A. ESTABLISH RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA U (Eligibility only, no signs) 100 block of Stillman Street, 475 4th Street and 550-560 Bryant Street.
  - B. ESTABLISH TOW-AWAY, NO STOPPING ANY TIME, Hooper Street, south side, from 8th Street to 500 feet easterly, Irwin Street, south side, from 7th Street to 430 feet westerly.

# **RESOLUTION No. 240806-088**

10.3. Approving Contract No. 2024-11 with Conduent Transport Solutions, Inc. for Computer Assisted Dispatch/Automatic Vehicle Location (CAD/AVL) System Maintenance and Support Services, including remote preventative maintenance, monitoring, and troubleshooting for the CAD/AVL System software and equipment, for a contract amount not to exceed \$4,348,272 and a term of five years. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

# **RESOLUTION No. 240806-089**

10.4. Authorizing the Director of Transportation to execute Modification No. 2 to Contract No. 1315, San Jose Substation Upgrade Phase 1, with Cal State Constructors, Inc., to compensate the Contractor for extended overhead and labor escalation resulting from delayed substation access earlier in the project, design changes to Substation equipment, resolution of delay disputes from Modification No. 1, and a delay to the future shutdown for cutover work, in the amount of \$472,000, increasing the total Contract amount to an amount not to exceed \$3,894,951.44; and to extend the Contract term by 786 days, to a total of 1,286 days to substantial completion. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)



10.5. Adopting a Resolution of Local Support for the programming of \$2,200,000 of One Bay Area Grant Cycle 3 funds for red transit lanes on Ocean Avenue; and providing assurances that the SFMTA will comply with Metropolitan Transportation Commission policies associated with receipt of those funds. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

RESOLUTION No. 240806-091

10.6. Amending Transportation Code, Division II, Section 503 to add a commercial tour bus restriction on 8th Avenue between Cabrillo and Fulton Streets. (The Planning Department has found that Item 10.6 is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act [CEQA]. For this transit-only lane implementation that received a statutory exemption, the proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code. Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

RESOLUTION No. 240806-092

10.7. Amending Transportation Code, Division II, Section 601 to designate a Transit-only lane on Harrison Street, westbound, from Lapu-Lapu Street to 4th Street. (The Planning Department has found that Item 10.7 is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act [CEQA]. For this transit-only lane implementation that received a statutory exemption, the proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code. Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

RESOLUTION No. 240806-093

10.8. Adopting a Resolution of Local Support for the allocation of Regional Measure 3 (RM3) bridge toll funds in the amount of \$2,694,000 for the Kirkland Yard Electrification project; and providing assurances that the SFMTA will comply with Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) policies. (The Planning Department has found the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act [CEQA]. The proposed SFMTA Board action constitutes the Approval Action as defined by the SF Administrative Code Chapter 31. Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)



10.9. Dedicating Cable Car No. 53 to the legacy of Tony Bennett who was an ambassador for San Francisco and its cable cars with his song, "I Left My Heart in San Francisco." (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

**RESOLUTION No. 240806-095** 

10.10. Dedicating historic streetcar Boston PCC No. 1059 in memory of Muni Operator Michael "Mr. Boston" Delia. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

**RESOLUTION No. 240806-096** 

# PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support: Nina Steinman (10.6), Jim Aldrich (10.6), and Angelina Yu for Supervisor Chan (10.6), and Aleta Dupree (10.8)

Director Heminger requested that Item 10.1(B) be heard with Closed Session Item 3(A) at a future meeting.

On motion to approve [Item 10.1(B) removed]:

ADOPTED: AYES – Heminger, Henderson, Hinze, Tarlov, and Eaken

ABSENT – Cajina

# **REGULAR CALENDAR**

11. Amending Transportation Code, Division II, Section 902 to authorize the Director of Transportation to waive all SFMTA fees associated with events determined to be eligible for fee waivers as Qualifying Neighborhood Outdoor Events, consistent with Board of Supervisors' legislation waiving fees related to the temporary closure of streets for events organized by community-serving nonprofit arts and culture organizations, small businesses, merchant association, neighborhood resident associations, and property and business improvement districts, and meeting certain criteria, with the authorization to expire on June 30, 2027. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

Director Tarlov recused herself from the item and left the meeting.

Viktoriya Wise, Director of Streets, and Diana Hammons, Senior Manager – Revenue Collection & Sales, presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:



Members of the public expressing neither support nor opposition: Speaker

Chair Eaken recessed the meeting at 2:28pm and reconvened the meeting at 2:41pm.

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Heminger, Henderson, Hinze, and Eaken

ABSENT – Cajina RECUSED – Tarlov

RESOLUTION No. 240806-097

Director Tarlov returned to the meeting.

12. Authorizing the Director of Transportation to execute Contract No. SFMTA-2024-20-FTA with WSP/PGH Wong Joint Venture for consulting services supporting the Train Control Upgrade Project for an initial five-year term, with five options to extend the term for an additional year, for a total of ten years and an amount not to exceed \$30,000,000 over the ten-year period; and further authorizing the Director of Transportation to approve individual task orders issued under the Contract up to the aggregate total amount of \$30,000,000. (The Planning Department has found the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act [CEQA]. The proposed SFMTA Board action constitutes the Approval Action as defined by the SF Administrative Code Chapter 31. Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

Dan Howard, Project Manager, presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support: Alicia Flores and Aleta Dupree

Aaron Leifer, Citizens' Advisory Council (CAC) Chair, shared the CAC recommendation.

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Heminger, Henderson, Hinze, Tarlov, and Eaken

ABSENT – Caiina



13. Adopting a resolution supporting the proactive citywide expansion of NO TURN ON RED regulations to signalized intersections with high levels of pedestrian activity to improve walking conditions and safety. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

Ricardo Olea, City Traffic Engineer, presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support: Stephen Lawson, and Janet Penley

Members of the public expressing support (for citywide policy): Vladimir Vlad, Paul Wermer, Malena Cabada, Rachel Clyde, Luke Bornheimer, and Barnett Trzcinski

Members of the public expressing neither support nor opposition: Carol Brownson

Director Heminger requested additional information and data about crash location and causes involving pedestrians in addition to data about any significant impacts to Munitravel times.

Chair Eaken proposed that there be further discussion at the next Vision Zero Committee Meeting on August 27 and when ready brought back to the Board for action.

14. 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.

No public comment.

On motion to go into Closed Session:

ADOPTED: AYES – Heminger, Henderson, Hinze, Tarlov, and Eaken

ABSENT – Cajina

RECESS REGULAR MEETING AND CONVENE CLOSED SESSION – Chair Eaken recessed the meeting at 5:00pm.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

1. Call to Order

Chair Eaken called the Closed Session to order at 5:01pm.



2. Roll Call

Present: Steve Heminger

Dominica Henderson

Fiona Hinze Janet Tarlov Amanda Eaken

Absent: Stephanie Cajina (with notification)

Also present: Susan Cleveland-Knowles, Deputy City Attorney

Christine Silva, Board Secretary

Jeff Tumlin, Director of Transportation Viktoriya Wise, Director of Streets

3. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) and (d)(2) and Administrative Code Section 67.8 (a)(3) and 67.10(d)(1) and (2), the SFMTA 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:

- A. Patricia Grant v. CCSF, et al., Superior Ct. Case No. CGC-23-604724 filed 02/21/2023 for \$100,000. Lawsuit involves allegations of personal injury from operator negligence (fall on board revenue vehicle).
- B. Maria D. Orantes v. CCSF, et al., Superior Ct. Case No. CGC-22-603177 filed 12/05/2022 for \$353,738. Lawsuit involves allegations of personal injury from operator negligence (Plaintiff and non-revenue vehicle).

Director Heminger requested that Item 3(A) be heard with Item 10.1(B) at a future meeting.

On motion to approve Item 3(B):

ADOPTED: AYES – Heminger, Henderson, Hinze, Tarlov, and Eaken

ABSENT - Cajina



ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION AND RECONVENE OPEN SESSION – Chair Eaken adjourned the Closed Session and reconvened the meeting at 5:17pm.

15. Announcement of Closed Session

Board Secretary Silva announced that the Board met in closed session to discuss Item 3. The Board continued Item 3A to a future meeting and voted to approve Item 3B.

16. Motion to disclose or not disclose the information discussed in Closed Session

ADOPTED: AYES – Heminger, Henderson, Hinze, Tarlov, and Eaken

ABSENT - Cajina

**ADJOURN** – Chair Eaken adjourned the meeting at 5:18pm in honor of Kenneth Derr.

A recording of the meeting is on file in the office of the Secretary to the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors.

Christine Silva 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.

<u>Board of Supervisors review of certain SFMTA Decisions:</u> 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: <a href="https://sfbos.org/sites/default/files/00127-18.pdf">https://sfbos.org/sites/default/files/00127-18.pdf</a>.

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