

# SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL

# **MINUTES**

Thursday, May 7, 2015 Room 7080, Union Square Conference Room 1 South Van Ness Avenue, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor

REGULAR MEETING 5:30 P.M.

# **COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Daniel Weaver (Chair), Daniel Murphy (Vice Chair), Mark Ballew, Stephen Cornell, Joan Downey, Steve Ferrario, Katie Haverkamp, Steve Taber, Alex Reese, Susan Vaughan, Dorris Vincent, Roland Wong, and Frank Zepeda

> COUNCIL LIAISON Roberta Boomer

#### ORDER OF BUSINESS

#### 1. Call to Order

Chairman Weaver called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

#### 2. Roll Call

CAC members present at Roll Call: Mark Ballew, Joan Downey, Katie Haverkamp, Alex Reese, Steve Taber, Dorris Vincent, Dan Weaver, Roland Wong, and Frank Zepeda CAC members absent at Roll Call: Susan Vaughan CAC members absent: Steven Cornell (absent with notification), Steve Ferrario (absent with notification), and Daniel Murphy (absent with notification)

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

The CAC Secretary made the announcement.

## 4. Approval of Minutes:

Member Downey suggested that the minutes be revised with respect to her fourth request on item #12, Council Members' request for information. Ms. Downey stated her request has minor grammatical revisions and would like the last sentence in that request to read, "Ms. Downey would like to know if someone asks for an additional ramp if it would automatically go in."

## Public Comment:

Edward Mason suggested that his comment under item #6, Public Comment, be amended to include the words "this year" be placed in front of St. Patrick's Day parade. Mr. Mason also suggested that his comment under item #11, Public Comment, be amended to delete the words "the Santa Clara VTA is doing a study" and replace with "the Santa Clara VTA is performing BRT construction" to his comment.

Susan Vaughan arrived at 5:38 p.m.

David Pilpel suggested that the words "City General Fund" be placed in front of the "Government Obligation Bond Oversight Committee" to clarify the difference of the bond committees in item #7, Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding the work of the SFMTA's Bond Oversight Committee and the Government Obligation Bond Oversight Committee".

On motion to approve the minutes of April 2, 2015 as amended to clarify Ms. Downey's Request for Information:

ADOPTED: AYES – Mark Ballew, Joan Downey, Katie Haverkamp, Alex Reese, Steve Taber, Susan Vaughan, Dorris Vincent, Daniel Weaver, Roland Wong, and Frank Zepeda NAYES – None

## ABSENT – Steven Cornell, Steve Ferrario, and Daniel Murphy

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

Chairman Weaver announced that Joan Downey will retire her committee chairmanship for the Operations & Customer Service Committee but will remain on the committee. Mark Ballew will serve as the Chairman.

#### Public Comment:

David Pilpel expressed appreciation to Ms. Downey for her service.

### 6. Public Comment:

Anastasia Yovanopoulos commented on the congestion of commuter shuttle buses and the number of people who board along the 24<sup>th</sup> Street corridor. She expressed concern about the size of the buses and thinks that these companies don't care about the additional pollution.

Edward Mason commented on the commuter shuttle bus program; the shuttle bus decal; and a minor incident between a Muni bus and commuter shuttle bus.

Mark Miller commented on the On-Street Parking Management document. The CAC approved a recommendation asking that the policy be suspended but never got a response from the SFMTA. The CAC needs to get a response.

Rob Francis commented on parking meters; parking in the Mission Bay area; and the On-Street Parking Management program.

David Pilpel commented on the rapid service maps; recent management changes; and impacts of the Twin Peaks tunnel project.

Chairman Weaver suggested that the On-Street Parking Management policy be discussed at a future meeting.

### REGULAR CALENDAR

7. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding the Radio System. (Frank Lau, Project Manager and Vince Harris, Director, Capital Projects and Programs)

Frank Lau provided an overview of Muni's radio system, including bus and hand-held radios, the age and frequency; the new radio system upgrades and benefits. Mr. Lau stated that the new radio system will improve coverage with less frequency interference; transmit real-time data; provide vehicle location and commuter-aid dispatching (CAD) to dispatchers in real time; provide automatic passenger counts; and establish communications quicker. Mr. Lau stated that staff is working with public outreach to provide information to customers on proposed shutdown times for subway construction work.

Alex Reese left at 6:35 p.m.

Public Comment:

David Pilpel commented on the Capital Programs and Construction Division staff and the Quarterly Report.

8. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding the Transportation Sustainability Program. (Adam Varat, Senior Planner, Citywide Planning Division and Wade Wietgrefe, Senior Planner, Environmental Planning Division, City Planning Department).

Lisa Chen, Planner, Citywide Planning Division, provided an overview of the Transportation Sustainability Program, including the status, challenges, and the needs the program addresses; transportation growth development; next steps; and traveling safely and easily in and around the City.

Sarah Jones, Director of Environmental Planning, City Planning Department, discussed the policy and reforms to the CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act); auto traffic and congestion; transportation land management in the context of development; and the citywide transportation fee.

**Public Comment:** 

Edward Mason commented on the Transportation Sustainability Program and stated that it was presented to the CAC three years ago and is still two years behind; housing issues in Mountain View; and inquired how much has been spent on the program.

David Pilpel commented on the need for a discussion on One Bay Area, housing, and jobs analysis; the Transit Impact Development Fee (TIDF); and the Transportation Sustainability Fee (TSF).

Motion 150507.01

The SFMTA CAC urges the SFMTA Board of Directors and MTA staff to work with the Planning Department and the Board of Supervisors to make sure all residential projects currently in the pipeline will be subject to the Transportation Sustainability Fee (TSF), if and when the TSF is implemented.

On motion to approve Motion 150507.01: Not approved

ADOPTED: AYES – Mark Ballew, Joan Downey, Katie Haverkamp, Steve Taber,
Susan Vaughan, Daniel Weaver, and Frank Zepeda
NAYES – Dorris Vincent and Roland Wong
ABSENT – Steven Cornell, Steve Ferrario, Daniel Murphy, and Alex Reese

9. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding the Engineering, Maintenance and Safety Committee (EMSC) report and recommendations.

### EMSC Motion 150422.01

The SFMTA CAC urges the SFMTA to leave Geneva/Beach division as the home of the historic fleet where there is ample room for storage and maintenance, as well as space for future expansion of the historic fleet.

Public Comment:

David Pilpel commented on real estate constraints.

On motion to approve EMSC Motion 150422.01: Approved

ADOPTED: AYES – Mark Ballew, Joan Downey, Katie Haverkamp, Steve Taber, Susan Vaughan, Dorris Vincent, Daniel Weaver, Roland Wong, and Frank Zepeda

NAYES – None

ABSENT – Steven Cornell, Steve Ferrario, Daniel Murphy, and Alex Reese

## EMSC Motion 150422.02

The SFMTA CAC recommends the SFMTA modify its Real Estate Vision Plan to expand the storage capacity of the LRV fleet at MME from 74 vehicles to 119 vehicles as submitted by the CAC, and to reacquire the Upper Yard property from the Mayor's office to alleviate the pressures of capacity issues at Green division. Both of these actions will accommodate the expansion of the upcoming Siemens LRV fleet while allowing for flexibility in the maintenance operations.

No Public Comment.

On motion to approve EMSC Motion 150422.02: Not approved

ADOPTED: AYES – Mark Ballew, Joan Downey, Katie Haverkamp, Steve Taber,
Dorris Vincent, Roland Wong, and Frank Zepeda
NAYES – Susan Vaughan and Dan Weaver
ABSENT – Steven Cornell, Steve Ferrario, Daniel Murphy, and Alex Reese

# EMSC Motion 150422.03

The SFMTA CAC urges the SFMTA to store the historic horsecar body and Portugal car in an indoor facility, such as Burke warehouse should the vehicles have to vacate Marin, in order to preserve them and protect them from decay.

No Public Comment.

On motion to approve EMSC Motion 150422.03: Approved

ADOPTED: AYES – Mark Ballew, Joan Downey, Katie Haverkamp, Steve Taber, Susan Vaughan, Dorris Vincent, Daniel Weaver, Roland Wong, and Frank Zepeda NAYES – None ABSENT – Steven Cornell, Steve Ferrario, Daniel Murphy, and Alex Reese

## EMSC Motion 150422.04

In order to make for a more comprehensive read, the SFMTA CAC recommends staff to add detailed data/information to support the text in the 2015-2030 SRTP. Easy to read and understand items are the mainstay graphs, charts and tables. Past, current and future comparisons should be included. A line-by-line analysis and ridership data should be part of the plan as well as performance summaries.

No Public Comment.

On motion to approve EMSC Motion 150422.04: Approved

ADOPTED: AYES – Mark Ballew, Joan Downey, Katie Haverkamp, Steve Taber, Susan Vaughan, Dorris Vincent, Daniel Weaver, Roland Wong, and Frank Zepeda

NAYES – None

ABSENT – Steven Cornell, Steve Ferrario, Daniel Murphy, and Alex Reese

### EMSC Motion 150422.05

The SFMTA CAC recommends that items regarding the historic vehicles be included in the SRTP. The 2006 SRTP included detailed information of the fleet, service increase to the F Line, E Line start-up, E Line expansion and G Line study.

No Public Comment.

On motion to approve EMSC Motion 150422.05: Approved

ADOPTED: AYES – Mark Ballew, Joan Downey, Katie Haverkamp, Steve Taber, Susan Vaughan, Dorris Vincent, Daniel Weaver, Roland Wong, and Frank Zepeda

NAYES – None

ABSENT – Steven Cornell, Steve Ferrario, Daniel Murphy, and Alex Reese

10. Council Members' requests for information. (For discussion only)

Susan Vaughan would like a copy of the On-Street Parking Management document and motions approved regarding the document.

Dan Weaver would like the electronic version of the Capital Program & Construction's Quarterly Report. Mr. Weaver stated that he had received this report in the past.

Mark Ballew would like a like to know what menu options the TSP are considering to mitigate transportation impacts in new developments that were discussed by Sarah Jones, Director of

Environmental Planning. Ms. Jones described car sharing spots and bike parking in new developments, but mentioned the Planning Department is evaluating many more.

Steve Taber would like a report on the status of conceptual planning for intra-city rapid transit development, including the four corridor plan; the Central Subway extension; the M Oceanview rerouting, the N Judah re-routing; and any other rail or BRT projects being considered.

Schedule upcoming calendar items. (For discussion only)
 Next regular meeting: Thursday, June 4 at 5:30 p.m.
 South Van Ness Avenue, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Union Square Conference Room, # 7080

The meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Submitted by:

Yvette Torres

SFMTA CAC Secretary