



**City and County of San Francisco  
Municipal Transportation Agency  
Citizens' Advisory Council**

**SFMTA**  
Municipal Transportation Agency

**Engineering, Maintenance and Safety Committee**

**Wednesday, September 25, 2013, at 3:00 p.m.  
1 South Van Ness Avenue, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Candlestick Conference Room**

**MINUTES**

**1. Call to Order**

Chairman Zepeda called the meeting to order at 3:08 p.m.

**2. Roll Call**

EMSC members present at Roll Call: Steve Ferrario and Frank Zepeda  
EMSC members absent at Roll Call: None  
EMSC members absent: Dorris Vincent  
SFMTA CAC members not on this committee, but also present: Marc Ballew and Roland Wong

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

The CAC Secretary made the announcement.

**4. Approval of Minutes:**

Committee member Ferrario suggested that the minutes be revised with respect to his request for information under item #9. He moved that his first request be changed to read, "Steve Ferrario stated that crosswalk audio pedestrian buttons, which when pressed lets a person know their location, do not work."

Committee member Ferrario suggested that the minutes be revised with respect to his request for information under item #9. He moved that his second request be changed to read, "Steve Ferrario stated the transit shelter audio buttons, which when pressed lets a person know when the next train is arriving, do not work, except for the transit shelter audio button at the Folsom & Embarcadero."

**Public Comment:**

None

On motion to approve the minutes of August 28, 2013 as amended: Approved  
Ayes – Ferrario and Weaver  
Nayes - None





Absent – Vincent

**5. Report of the chairman (For discussion only):**

None

**6. Public Comment:**

Edward Mason commented on the VTA's safety tips for passengers and bicyclists; increase in housing; and congestion in the downtown corridor.

Roland Wong commented on an article regarding staff testing seating configurations and lighting on light rail vehicles.

**7. Presentation, discussion and possible action an update on the Automatic Train Control System.** (Kenny Ngan, Project Manager, Capital Programs & Construction)

Kenny Ngan provided an update on the system management hardware upgrade; software development issues and testing of the Automatic Train Control System (ATCS).

**Public Comment:**

Edward Mason commented on the system hardware; test tracks at Geneva; and trains allowed in the subway.

Roland Wong commented on the pros and cons of double-berthing trains.

**8. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding an update on the Geary BRT Project.** (Paul Bignardi, Transportation Planner, Strategic Planning & Policy, Sustainable Streets)

This item was continued to the next meeting.

**Public Comment:**

None

**9. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding the status of the escalator and elevator rehabilitation.** (Scott Broder, Inspector, Transit Services)



Rosa Rankin, Contract Administrator, discussed the escalator and elevator rehabilitation project.

**Public Comment:**

None

**Motion 130925.01**

The SFMTA CAC recommends that the SFMTA install sensors for remote monitoring to indicate if escalators and elevators are currently in service.

**9. Committee members' requests for information.** (For discussion only)

- ✚ Mark Ballew would like to know when the light rail vehicle procurement will be discussed.
- ✚ Mark Ballew would like to know if the status on the Twin Peaks Tunnel Re-Rail Project can be discussed.

**Public Comment:**

None

**10. Schedule upcoming Meeting and Agenda Items.** (For discussion only)

Next regular meeting: Wednesday, October 23, 2013 at 3:00 p.m.  
1 South Van Ness Avenue, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Candlestick Conference Room #6053

**ADJORN:** The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted by:*  
Yvette Torres  
SFMTA – CAC Secretary