

# SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND PARKING AUTHORITY COMMISSION

# **MINUTES**

Tuesday, January 3, 2017 Room 400, City Hall 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place

REGULAR MEETING AND CLOSED SESSION 1 P.M.

# SFMTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Tom Nolan, Chairman
Cheryl Brinkman, Vice Chairman
Gwyneth Borden
Malcolm Heinicke
Lee Hsu
Joél Ramos
Cristina Rubke

Edward D. Reiskin DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION

Roberta Boomer SECRETARY

#### ORDER OF BUSINESS

#### 1 Call to Order

Chairman Nolan called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

### 2. Roll Call

Present: Gwyneth Borden – absent at Roll Call

Cheryl Brinkman Malcolm Heinicke

Lee Hsu Tom Nolan Cristina Rubke

Absent: Joél Ramos- with notification

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

Chairman Nolan announced that the ringing of and use of cell phones, pagers and similar sound-producing electronic devices are prohibited at the meeting. He advised that any person responsible for the ringing or use of a cell phone, pager, or other similar sound-producing electronic devices might be removed from the meeting. He also advised that cell phones that are set on "vibrate" cause microphone interference and requested that they be placed in the "off" position.

4. Approval of Minutes

No public comment.

On motion to approve the minutes of the December 6, 2016 Regular Meeting: unanimously approved (Borden, Ramos– absent)

5. Communications

Chairman Nolan recognized the passing of Proof of Payment Inspector Jerome Walls and announced the meeting would be adjourned in his memory.

6. Introduction of New or Unfinished Business by Board Members

None.

- 7. Director's Report (For discussion only)
  - -Special Recognition Award
  - -Update on Vision Zero
  - -Ongoing Activities

Sonali Bose, Director, Finance and Information Technology, recognized Adrienne Anderson, Senior Administrative Analyst.

Director Borden arrived.

Ed Reiskin, Director of Transportation, provided an update on Vision Zero; Van Ness Project; Taraval Muni Forward upgrades; Geary Bus Rapid Transit; Folsom-Howard Open House; Fare increases; new trains; Transportation Network Companies; and the Muni Art Project.

Director Borden requested an update on the Mission Street Project including bike sharing installation outreach.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

Tariq Mehmood expressed frustration that there is a 45 minute to two hour delay to get on the Bay Bridge from Market to First Street. The Board needs to modify this system.

Mark Gruberg stated that he looks forward to driving through the new protected intersection at 9<sup>th</sup> and Division. With regard to the Transportation Network Companies and semi-autonomous vehicles, Uber is only too happy to break the law. They aren't allowed to own vehicles and the semi-autonomous vehicles are a clear violation. He urged the Board to look into other violations such as commercial plates and valid insurance.

Martin Kazinski stated that the Uber self-driving cars are a publicity stunt.

8. Citizens' Advisory Council Report

No report.

# 9. Public Comment

Tariq Mehmood stated that he is filing a federal complaint regarding the Taxi Driver Fund. The Taxi Task Force has six seats but four are not real drivers.

Mark Gruberg stated that the SFMTA has a moral and possibly legal obligation to make medallions holders whole. People were lured into buying medallions when the medallions were offered at a fixed price and jumping the list was an incentive. The SFMTA took away the opportunity for people to buy them any other way. This can be fixed by revenue enhancements and a bond issuance.

Herbert Weiner suggested bike stencils be installed so that fewer people will be hit by bikes. There are stencils at SF State University. He urged the Board to put bike stencils in the financial district.

Tone Lee stated that there is a problem getting onto the Bay Bridge and suggested all entrances near downtown be blocked for private vehicles. The public has the option of taking BART. People will use Muni because it costs less and is flexible.

Jeff Farland complained about a lack of enforcement of the bike lanes at 4<sup>th</sup> and Folsom. Parking Control Officers park their vehicles there. He has spoken with SFMTA staff and filed complaints through 311 but there is a lack of knowledgeable staff. He asked who he can work with.

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. 7<sup>th</sup> 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 claims against the SFMTA:
  - A. Cheuk Tin Yan vs. CCSF, Superior Ct. #CGC15548603 filed on 10/23/15 for \$7,500
  - B. Mary E. Davis vs. CCSF, Superior Ct. #CGC15546276 filed on 6/10/15 for \$10,000
  - C. Jamie Zeppa Kreager vs. CCSF, Superior Ct. #CGC16550373 filed on 2/10/16 for \$55,000
  - D. Karen Simmons vs. CCSF, Superior Ct. #CGC15545415 filed on 4/17/15 for \$91,750 (Explanatory documents include a resolution.)

# **RESOLUTION 170103-001**

- (10.2) Approving the following traffic modifications:
  - A. ESTABLISH BLUE ZONE 55 Laguna Street, west side, from 149 feet to 171 feet, north of Hermann Street.
  - B. ESTABLISH BLUE ZONE 2010 Sutter Street, north side, from 28 feet to 48 feet west of Fillmore Street.
  - C. ESTABLISH BLUE ZONE 2412 Lawton Street, north side, from 10 feet to 30 feet west of the crosswalk at 30th Street.
  - D. ESTABLISH NO LEFT TURN Judah Street, eastbound and westbound, at 18th Avenue.
  - E. ESTABLISH STOP SIGNS Harney Way, eastbound and westbound, at Executive Park Blvd.
  - F. ESTABLISH NO LEFT TURN 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, southbound, at Lincoln Way.
  - G. ESTABLISH STOP SIGN Jessie Street, westbound, at 3<sup>rd</sup> Street.
  - H. ESTABLISH STOP SIGNS Taber Alley, eastbound and westbound, at Jack London Alley.
  - I. RESCIND 30 MILES PER HOUR SPEED LIMIT ESTABLISH 25 MILES PER HOUR SPEED LIMIT Fell Street, between Gough Street and Baker Street.
  - J. RESCIND 30 MILES PER HOUR SPEED LIMIT ESTABLISH 25 MILES PER HOUR SPEED LIMIT Oak Street, between Franklin Street and Baker Street.
  - K. ESTABLISH STOP SIGN Elmira Street, southbound, at Silver Avenue.

- L. RESCIND TOW AWAY NO PARKING, 3 PM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, EXCEPT VANS WITH SAN FRANCISCO VANPOOL PERMIT Beale Street, west side, from Market Street to Mission Street.
- M. ESTABLISH RED ZONE 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue, west side, from 20 feet north of Moraga Street to 35 feet southerly.
- N. ESTABLISH STOP SIGN De Soto Street, northbound, at Urbano Drive.
- O. ESTABLISH STOP SIGNS Park Street, eastbound and westbound, at Leese Street.
- P. ESTABLISH STOP SIGN Vasquez Avenue, northbound, at Woodside Avenue.
- Q. ESTABLISH RED ZONE Eucalyptus Drive, north side, from Ocean Avenue to 25 feet westerly.
- R. ESTABLISH RED ZONE Fountain St, west side, from 5 feet to 27 feet north of 25th St.
- S. ESTABLISH STOP SIGN Buena Vista Terrace, southbound, at 15<sup>th</sup> Street.
- T. ESTABLISH STOP SIGN 24<sup>th</sup> Street, westbound, at Minnesota Street.
- U. ESTABLISH RED ZONE Teresita Boulevard, east side, from Marietta Drive to 31 feet northerly.
- V. ESTABLISH PART-TIME BUS ZONE, 6 AM TO 7 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY Jackson Street, north side, from 122 feet to 162 feet west of Fillmore Street.
- W. ESTABLISH STOP SIGN Santa Cruz Avenue, northbound, at De Long Street.
- X. ESTABLISH RED ZONE De Long Street, south side, from Santa Cruz Avenue to 22 feet westerly; and De Long Street, south side, from Santa Cruz Avenue to 24 feet easterly.
- Y. ESTABLISH NO PARKING ANYTIME Spear Street, east side, from 11 to 28 feet south of Howard Street.
- Z. ESTABLISH NO LEFT TURN, 7 AM TO 9 AM, 4 PM TO 6 PM, EXCEPT SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, EXCEPT MUNI Judah Street, westbound, at 46<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
- AA. ESTABLISH NO LEFT TURN, 7 AM TO 9 AM, 4 PM TO 6 PM, EXCEPT SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, EXCEPT MUNI Judah Street, westbound, at 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
- BB. ESTABLISH RED ZONE Irving Street, north side, from 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 21 feet easterly.
- CC. ESTABLISH BUS ZONE Clay St., south side, from 44 feet to 86 feet east of Davis St.
- DD. ESTABLISH TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING EXCEPT PERMITTED CAR SHARE VEHICLES Clay Street, north side, from 58 feet to 78 feet east of Davis Street.
- EE. ESTABLISH RED ZONE Sansome Street, east side, from Bush Street to 30 feet southerly.
- FF. RESCIND BUS ZONE ESTABLISH METERED MOTORCYCLE PARKING Sansome Street, east side, from 100 feet to 120 feet north of Sutter Street.
- GG. RESCIND TOW-AWAY NO PARKING, PERMITTED COMMUTER SHUTTLE BUS ZONE, 6 AM TO 10 AM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY San Jose Avenue, west side, from Dolores Street to 45 feet northerly.
- HH. ESTABLISH NO PARKING ANYTIME Minerva Street, north side, from Summit Street to 40 feet westerly.
- II. ESTABLISH RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING, AREA S, 2 HOUR PARKING, 8 AM TO 9 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, EXCEPT VEHICLES WITH AREA S PERMITS, SIGNS ONLY Buchanan Street, east side, between Hermann Street and Haight Street; Laguna Street, west side, between Waller Street and Haight Street; and Haight Street, south side, between Laguna Street and Buchanan Street.
- JJ. ESTABLISH RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA J, 2-HOUR PARKING, 8 AM TO 5 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, EXCEPT VEHICLES WITH AREA J PERMITS – Cole Street, both sides, between Beulah Street and Waller Street.

- KK. ESTABLISH RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA S, 2-HOUR PARKING, 8 AM TO 9 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, EXCEPT VEHICLES WITH AREA S PERMITS Hickory Street, both sides, between Webster Street and Buchanan Street.
- LL. ESTABLISH RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA S, 2-HOUR PARKING, 8 AM TO 9 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, EXCEPT VEHICLES WITH AREA S PERMITS Liberty Street, both sides, between Sanchez Street and Noe Stree.
- MM. ESTABLISH RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA I ELIGIBILITY Virgil Street, both sides, between 25<sup>th</sup> Street and 26<sup>th</sup> Street.
- NN. ESTABLISH NO RIGHT TURN Geneva Avenue, eastbound, at Munich Street.
- OO. ESTABLISH NO LEFT TURN Geneva Avenue (South Hill Boulevard), eastbound, at Munich Street.
- PP. ESTABLISH RIGHT LANE MUST TURN RIGHT EXCEPT MUNI South Hill Boulevard, westbound, at Munich Street.
- QQ. ESTABLISH LEFT LANE MUST TURN LEFT EXCEPT MUNI South Hill Boulevard, westbound, at Munich Street.
- RR. ESTABLISH CROSSWALK South Hill Boulevard, west leg, at Munich Street.
- SS. ESTABLISH TOW AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME Munich Street, east side, from Geneva Avenue to 60 feet southerly; Geneva Avenue (South Hill Boulevard), south side, from Munich Street to 20 feet westerly; and South Hill Boulevard, south side, from Munich Street to 10 feet easterly. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution. For every parking and traffic modification that received a categorical exemption, the proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code.)

### **RESOLUTION 170103-002**

- (10.3) Approving various long-term parking and traffic modifications associated with the Arguello Boulevard Safety Project as follows:
  - A. ESTABLISH MEDIAN ISLAND Arguello Boulevard, from south-side crosswalk at McAllister Street to 58 feet northerly; Arguello Boulevard, from south-side crosswalk at McAllister Street to 20 feet southerly; Arguello Boulevard, from north-side crosswalk at Cabrillo Street to 20 feet northerly; Arguello Boulevard, from south-side crosswalk at Golden Gate Avenue to 20 feet southerly
  - B. ESTABLISH SIDEWALK WIDENING Arguello Boulevard, west side, from Cabrillo Street to 23 feet northerly
  - C. ESTABLISH SIDEWALK WIDENING AND NO PARKING ANYTIME Cabrillo Street, north side, from Arguello Boulevard to 23 feet westerly; Arguello Boulevard, east side, from north-side crosswalk at Cabrillo Street to 23 feet northerly; Arguello Boulevard, east side, from north-side crosswalk at Cabrillo Street to 23 feet southerly
  - D. ESTABLISH RAPID RECTANGULAR FLASHING BEACON Arguello Boulevard at Cabrillo Street, north-side crosswalk
  - E. ESTABLISH RED ZONE Arguello Blvd, west side, from Cabrillo St. to 21 feet southerly
  - F. RESCIND MEDIAN ISLAND Turk Street, from Arguello Boulevard to 20 feet easterly
  - G. ESTABLISH CLASS II BIKE LANE Turk Street, westbound, from 200 feet east of Arguello Boulevard to Arguello Boulevard. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

#### **RESOLUTION 170103-003**

On motion to approve the Consent Calendar:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Heinicke, Hsu, Nolan, and Rubke

#### ABSENT - Ramos

# REGULAR CALENDAR

11. Presentation and discussion of the SFMTA's Fiscal Year 2016 Annual Report. (Explanatory documents include a report and slide presentation.)

# PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing neither support nor opposition: Mark Gruberg, Tone Lee and Herbert Weiner

12. Amending Transportation Code Division II, Article 1100, Sections 1101 – 1109, 1113, 1114, 1116 – 1118, 1124 to eliminate requirements that drivers shift change on property, eliminate the requirement for taxi companies to have a business address in San Francisco, eliminate certain restrictions on spare vehicles, require in-taxi equipment to be integrated with the taximeter, require that new Color Scheme applicants have at least 50 Medallions to be eligible for a permit and to operate, remove outdated language regarding paper waybills, medical examination requirements for drivers, dispatch service standards and Passenger Information Monitors, modernize the code to streamline color scheme reporting requirements, eliminate the requirement for color schemes to list its phone number in the Yellow Pages and amend Transportation Code Division II, Article 300 Sections 310 and 320 to eliminate the fines for non-compliance with requirements that are proposed to be eliminated, such as the medical examination requirement, to renumber based on proposed amendments and to reduce the fee from \$1,900 to \$750 for color schemes for continued operation of a medallion upon the death of a medallion holder or a medallion suspension. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, resolution and amendment. Some of the proposed actions are the Approval Action as defined by S. F. Administrative Code Chapter 31.)

Kate Toran, Director of Taxi and Accessible Services, presented the item.

# PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing opposition: Ahmad, Al, Tariq Mehmood, Tone Lee and Mark Gruberg

Members of the public expressing neither support nor opposition: Martin Kazinski

Chairman Nolan asked staff to review the need for the annual medallion fee.

On motion to delete the requirement that new Color Scheme applicants have at least 50 medallions to be eligible for a permit and to operate:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Heinicke, Hsu, Nolan, and Rubke

ABSENT – Ramos

# **RESOLUTION 170103-004**

On motion to approve as amended:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Heinicke, Hsu, Nolan, and Rubke

ABSENT - Ramos

13. Discussion and vote pursuant to Administrative Code Section 67.10(d) as to whether to conduct a closed session.

On motion to invoke the attorney-client privilege: unanimously approved (Ramos-absent).

# RECESS REGULAR MEETING AND CONVENE CLOSED SESSION

# **CLOSED SESSION**

1. Call to Order

Chairman Nolan called the closed session to order at 3:33 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Cheryl Brinkman

Gwyneth Borden Malcolm Heinicke

Lee Hsu Tom Nolan Cristina Rubke

Absent: Joél Ramos- with notification

Also present: Ed Reiskin, Director of Transportation

Caroline Celaya, Assistant Board Secretary

Susan Cleveland-Knowles, Deputy City Attorney

Jonathan Rolnick, Deputy City Attorney Art Hartinger, Renne Sloan Holtzman Sakai

John Haley, Director, Transit

Candace Sue, Division Director, Marketing and Communications

3. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) and the Administrative Code Section 67.8 (a)(3), the Municipal Transportation Agency 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:**

Darryl Stitt vs. the SFMTA, U.S. District Court Case #1203704YGR filed on 7/16/12 for \$8,000,000 and other material terms such as the SFMTA will modify certain operations including but not limited to permitting Relief Operators to review bulletins included in their "outfits" rather than at a Division, providing receptacles at each Division to drop off overtime cards, prohibiting discouragement of overtime requests but confirming Operator responsibility to request overtime when warranted, continuing to provide drop off receptacles for defect cards and unused transfers at turn in, and providing that Operators who experience an unusual situation at turn-in that causes significant additional work shall submit an overtime card.

# **RESOLUTION 170103-005**

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES - Borden, Brinkman, Heinicke, Hsu, Nolan, and Rubke

ABSENT – Ramos

ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION AND RECONVENE OPEN SESSION - The closed session was adjourned at 3:46 p.m.

14. Announcement of Closed Session.

Chairman Nolan announced that the SFMTA Board of Directors met in closed session to discuss the Stitt case with the City Attorney. The Board of Directors voted to settle the case.

15. Motion to disclose or not disclose the information discussed in closed session.

On motion to not disclose the information discussed: unanimously approved (Ramos–absent).

ADJOURN - The meeting was adjourned at 3:48p.m. in memory of Jerome Walls.

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

Caroline Celaya

**Assistant Board Secretary** 

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