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APPROVED

Mission Bay Transportation Improvement Fund Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

December 16, 2021

10:00 am – 12 Noon

On-line Meeting

Advisory Committee Seats
Seat 1 (Golden State Warriors) Manoj Madhavan, Voting member Yoyo Chan, Alternate
Seat 2 (UCSF) Amit Kothari, Voting member Clare Shinnerl, Alternate
Seat 3 (Neighborhood resident) Bruce Agid, Voting member Bruce Huie, Alternate
Seat 4 (Neighborhood business owner) Catherine Sharpe, Voting member Terezia Nemeth, Alternate
Seat 5 (Neighborhood resident) Sarah Davis, Voting member Sarah Bertram, Alternate

1. Call to order/rollcall -Bruce Agid, Chairperson

Voting members in attendance: Agid; Kothari; Davis; Madhavan; Sharpe

Alternates in attendance: Bertram; Chan

Alternates not in attendance: Huie; Shinnerl, Nemeth

2. Approve minutes of November 18, 2021 Meeting

A motion was made by Amit Kothari to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2021 meeting and was seconded by Manoj Madhavan.

Member Comment – None

Public Comments – None

Ayes – Agid; Kothari; Davis; Madhavan; Sharpe

Nays -none

Motion passed

3. Resolution to allow teleconferenced meetings under California government code section 54953(e)

Kim Walton, staff liaison read the resolution regarding the continuation of holding teleconference public meetings.

**RESOLUTION MAKING FINDINGS TO ALLOW TELECONFERENCED
MEETINGS UNDER CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT
CODE SECTION 54953(e)**

WHEREAS California Government Code Section 54953(e) empowers local policy bodies to convene by teleconferencing technology during a proclaimed state of emergency under the State Emergency Services Act so long as certain conditions are met; and

WHEREAS, In March 2020, the Governor of the State of California proclaimed a state of emergency in California in connection with the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (“COVID-19”) pandemic, and that state of emergency remains in effect; and

WHEREAS, On February 25, 2020, the Mayor of the City and County of San Francisco (the “City”) declared a local emergency, and on March 6, 2020, the City’s Health Officer declared a local health emergency, and both those declarations also remain in effect; an

WHEREAS, On March 11 and March 23, 2020, the Mayor issued emergency orders suspending select provisions of local law, including sections of the City Charter, that restrict teleconferencing by members of policy bodies; those orders remain in effect, so City law currently allows policy bodies to meet remotely if they comply with restrictions in State law regarding teleconference meetings; and

WHEREAS, On September 16, 2021, the Governor signed AB 361, a bill that amends the Brown Act to allow local policy bodies to continue to meet by teleconferencing during a state of emergency without complying with restrictions in State law that would otherwise apply, provided that the policy bodies make certain findings at least once every 30 days; and

WHEREAS, While federal, State, and local health officials emphasize the critical importance of vaccination and consistent mask-wearing to prevent the spread of COVID-19, the City’s Health Officer has issued at least one order (Health Officer Order No. C19-07y, available online at www.sfdph.org/healthorders) and one directive (Health Officer Directive No. 2020-33i, available online at www.sfdph.org/directives) that continue to recommend measures to promote physical distancing and other social distancing measures, such as masking, in certain contexts; and

WHEREAS, The California Department of Industrial Relations Division of Occupational Safety and Health (“Cal/OSHA”) has promulgated Section 3205 of Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations, which requires most employers in California, including in the City, to train and instruct employees about measures that can decrease the spread of COVID-19, including physical distancing and other social distancing measures; and

WHEREAS, Without limiting any requirements under applicable federal, state, or local pandemic-related rules, orders, or directives, the City’s Department of Public Health, in coordination with the City’s Health Officer, has advised that for group gatherings indoors,

such as meetings of boards and commissions, people can increase safety and greatly reduce risks to the health and safety of attendees from COVID-19 by maximizing ventilation, wearing well-fitting masks (as required by Health Officer Order No. C19-07), using physical distancing where the vaccination status of attendees is not known, and considering holding the meeting remotely if feasible, especially for long meetings, with any attendees with unknown vaccination status and where ventilation may not be optimal; and

WHEREAS, On July 31, 2020, the Mayor issued an emergency order that, with limited exceptions, prohibited policy bodies other than the Board of Supervisors and its committees from meeting in person under any circumstances, so as to ensure the safety of policy body members, City staff, and the public; and

WHEREAS, the Mission Bay Transportation Improvement Fund Advisory Committee has met remotely during the COVID-19 pandemic and can continue to do so in a manner that allows public participation and transparency while minimizing health risks to members, staff, and the public that would be present with in-person meetings while this emergency continues; ,and

WHEREAS, on September 27, 2021, the SFMTA, under authority delegated by the Planning Department, determined that AB 361 findings described above are not a “project” under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Sections 15060© and 15378(b); and,

WHEREAS a copy of the CEQA determination is on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors and is incorporated herein by reference;

WHEREAS, on October 28, 2021, the Advisory Committee adopted the recommended findings allowing it to continue to meet remotely for 30 days; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That Mission Bay Transportation Improvement Fund Advisory Committee finds as follows:

1. As described above, the State of California and the City remain in a state of emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic. At this meeting, Mission Bay Transportation Improvement Fund Advisory Committee has considered the circumstances of the state of emergency.
2. As described above, State and City officials continue to recommend measures to promote physical distancing and other social distancing measures, in some settings.
3. As described above, because of the COVID-19 pandemic, conducting meetings of this body Mission Bay Transportation Improvement Fund Advisory Committee and the Metrics Dashboard Sub-Committee in person would present imminent risks to the safety of attendees, and the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of members to meet safely in person; and, be it further

RESOLVED for at least the next 30 days meetings of Mission Bay Transportation Improvement Fund Advisory Committee and its committees will continue to occur exclusively by teleconferencing technology (and not by any in-person meetings or any other meetings with public access to the places where any policy body member is present for the meeting). Such meetings of Mission Bay Transportation Improvement Fund Advisory Committee and its committees that occur by teleconferencing technology will provide an opportunity for members of the public to address this body and the Metrics Dashboard Sub-Committee will otherwise occur in a manner that protects the

statutory and constitutional rights of parties and the members of the public attending the meeting via teleconferencing; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Advisory Committee Liaison is directed to place a resolution substantially similar to this resolution on the agenda of a future meeting of the Mission Bay Transportation Improvement Fund Advisory Committee within the next 30 days. If the Committee does not meet within the next 30 days, the Staff Liaison is directed to place such a resolution on the agenda of the next meeting of the Committee.

A motion was made by Amit Kothari and was seconded by Manoj Madhavan to adopt the resolution as read.

Member Comment: None

Public Comment: None

On the motion to adopt the resolution:

Ayes – Kothari; Davis; Agid; Sharpe; Madhavan

Nays – None

Motion passed

4. Review departments final budgets and proposed service levels for FY 22-23, FY 23-24

Tim Manglicmot, SFMTA Budget Analyst went over the budget process.

Advisory Committee Comments:

Bruce Agid brought up the prior request by Sarah Davis to have a slide that shows additional revenues available to augment the money provided in the Transportation Improvement fund. Tim agreed to provide this information in the January budget package.

Public comments – none

5. Advisory Committee and City Staff review draft Budget Letter to the Mayor's Office FY 22-23, FY 23-24

The Committee went through the draft letter which resulted in an updated version (see attached).

The Committee asked that members Madhavan and Kothari draft a new paragraph addressing Muni operations – driver shortages and level of service.

A final draft of the letter, including the new paragraph, will be sent to the Committee prior to the January 27, 2022 meeting. In addition, the Committee agreed to include all the attachments as is.

The Committee will discuss the final version, make additional changes, if needed. Kim Walton, Staff Liaison reminded the Committee that the SFMTA Director of Transportation is to review the letter prior to it being voted upon and sent to the Mayor's Office of Budget.

Advisory Committee Comments:

Bruce Agid:

- The draft letter was based on the prior year's letter.
- The information in the letter is based on feedback from both the Committee and members of the public.

Catherine Sharpe:

- Asked about the intent of the letter.
- Suggested that the letter have a paragraph discussion safety and another discussing parks.

Sarah Davis:

- Would like to explore how city services can provide trash/garbage can services to Mission Bay parks.

Manoj Madhavan:

- Stated that transit service is not sufficient due to the lack of operators and the increase in traffic pre and post events.

Amit Kothari:

- Stated that Muni staffing shortages is Citywide concern.

Yoyo Chan:

- Stated that there is no way to predict what service levels will be in July 2022, but that it will be an issue if the driver shortages and less service continues past July 2022.

Public Comment –there was no public comment

6. Old Business

6a. Review congestion, pedestrian safety, PCO & Muni impacts based on interim FY21-22 funding levels

Shawn McCormick, SFMTA Parking Enforcement, provided an update on his staffs' work around the Center. While there is currently a staffing shortage, new parking control officers are currently being trained.

Daisy Avalos, Transit Operations, provided an update on the Ambassador program. While there are currently eight staff available to work events, more are being hired and by February 2022 there will be a total of 28 ambassadors. Their work entails helping on the light rail platform before and after events. She is confident when fully staffed, they will be able to cover events at both the Chase Center and Oracle Park occurring at the same time.

Leslie Bienefeld, Manager of Special Events and Construction Support provided information regarding southbound light rail service. She was unaware of service gaps of trains traveling southbound. She will look at schedule and provide the Committee with an update at a future meeting.

Committee Comments:

Bruce Agid:

- Stated that there was one specific complaint he received from a rider who waited 45 minutes or more for a train.

Sarah Bertram:

- Stated that she was concerned about service since it was to be increased prior to the opening of the Center in 2019.

Manoj Madhavan:

- Stated that the "community" hot line has not received complaints regarding Muni service. The data collection sheets provided by SF PW, SFPD, and SFMTA/Muni will be used to help identify areas for improvement.

Public Comment – there were no comments from the public.

6b. Review commendation letter for Samuel Thomas

Due to lack of time, this item will be held over to the January 2022 meeting agenda.

7. Review and Update 2022 Workplan

Due to lack of time, this item will be held over to the January 2022 agenda.

8. Public Comment – there were no comments from the public

9. Advisory Committee Comments and Future Agenda Items

The January 27, 2022 agenda will include the following:

- Discussion and finalization, & vote on the letter to the Mayor’s Budget Office.
- Update on Metrics
- Review draft and finalization of 2022 Workplan.
- Review and vote on commendation letter for Samuel Thomas.

Chairperson Bruce Agid thanks the Committee for their hard work during 2021 and wished everyone Happy Holidays.

Adjourn

Amit Kothari motioned that the December 16, 2021 meeting be adjourned, and it was seconded by Manoj Madhavan. The vote to adjourn was unanimous.

Meeting ended at 12:04 pm