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**SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY**

DIVISION: Board of Directors

BRIEF DESCRIPTION:

Appointing SFMTA Chief Strategy Officer Jonathan Rewers as an alternate director to serve on the Transbay Joint Powers Authority Board of Directors, effective September 6, 2023.

SUMMARY:

- In 2001, the City and County of San Francisco (City), the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District (AC Transit) and the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board-Caltrain entered into an agreement to create the Transbay Joint Powers Authority (TJPA).
- This same agreement allowed the SFMTA Board of Directors to appoint a director and alternate director to fulfill the duties of the director appointed if the director is absent or unavailable.
- Jeffrey Tumlin, Director of Transportation, serves as director on the TJPA Board. Jonathan Rewers, Chief Strategy Officer, has offered to serve as alternate and, due to his qualifications, has Director Tumlin's support.

ENCLOSURES:

1. SFMTAB Resolution

APPROVALS:

DIRECTOR



DATE

August 30, 2023

SECRETARY



August 30, 2023

ASSIGNED MTAB CALENDAR DATE: September 5, 2023

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PURPOSE

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STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS AND TRANSIT FIRST POLICY PRINCIPLES

This action supports the following SFMTA Strategic Plan Goals:

Goal 5: Deliver reliable and equitable transportation services.

This action supports the following SFMTA Transit First Policy Principles:

1. To ensure quality of life and economic health in San Francisco, the primary objective of the transportation system must be the safe and efficient movement of people and goods.

DESCRIPTION

In 2001, the City and County of San Francisco (City), the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District (AC Transit) and the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board-Caltrain entered into an agreement to create the Transbay Joint Powers Authority (TJPA) which has primary jurisdiction over all matters concerning the financing, design, development, construction, and operation of the Transbay Program.

The TJPA Board of Directors is comprised of representatives from the City, including appointments by the Mayor, the SFMTA Board of Directors and the Board of Supervisors; AC Transit; the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board-Caltrain, composed of the City and County of San Francisco, the San Mateo County Transit District, and the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority; the California High Speed Rail Authority (CHSRA); and, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans).

This same agreement allowed each appointing authority to appoint an alternate director to fulfill the duties of the director appointed if the director is absent or unavailable.

Jeffrey Tumlin, Director of Transportation, serves as director on the TJPA Board and previously Director Gwyneth Borden, until this past April 2023, served as the alternate.

Jonathan Rewers, SFMTA Chief Strategy Officer, has offered to serve as the new alternate. Jonathan Rewers is qualified to fill this position due his current and previous roles at the agency which includes serving as the agency's Chief Financial Officer and head of the agency's Project Management Office (PMO), Senior Budget Manager and Manager of Design Strategy and Delivery. He currently serves as the City and County of San Francisco's Building Progress Program, leading a \$2 billion capital improvement program. He also brings extensive expertise in capital project delivery, complex financing and transportation funding sources and city planning having master's

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degrees in urban planning, design, strategy, and business. Director of Transportation Jeff Tumlin recommends to the Board that he fill this role.

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

There was no external engagement done.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

None.

FUNDING IMPACT

None.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

On August 14, 2023, the SFMTA, under authority delegated by the Planning Department, determined that the policy body appointment described above is not a “project” under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Sections 15060(c) and 15378(b).

A copy of the CEQA determination is on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors and is incorporated herein by reference.

OTHER APPROVALS RECEIVED OR STILL REQUIRED

None. The City Attorney has reviewed this report.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the appointment of SFMTA Chief Strategy Officer Jonathan Rewers, as an alternate director to serve on the Transbay Joint Powers Authority Board of Directors, effective September 6, 2023.

SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. _____

WHEREAS, In 2001, the City and County of San Francisco (City), the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District (AC Transit) and the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board-Caltrain entered into an agreement to create the Transbay Joint Powers Authority (TJPA) which has primary jurisdiction over all matters concerning the financing, design, development, construction, and operation of the Transbay Program; and,

WHEREAS, The agreement stipulated that one director to the TJPA Board of Directors is to be appointed by the SFMTA Board of Directors; and,

WHEREAS, This same agreement allowed each appointing authority to appoint an alternate director to fulfill the duties of the director appointed if the director is absent or unavailable; and,

WHEREAS, The SFMTA Board of Directors wishes to appoint Jonathan Rewers, Chief Strategy Officer, to serve as an alternate director on the TJPA Board of Directors; and,

WHEREAS, The appointment of individuals to policy bodies does not constitute a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15060(c); now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors does hereby appoint SFMTA Chief Strategy Officer Jonathan Rewers as an alternate director to serve on the Transbay Joint Powers Authority Board of Directors, effective September 6, 2023.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of September 5, 2023.

Secretary to the Board of Directors
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency