



**CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION
CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Thursday, March 20, 2014
1 South Van Ness Avenue, 7th Floor, Union Square Conference Room
San Francisco, California

1. Call to Order:

Chairman Weaver called the meeting to order at 5:37pm

2. Roll Call

SFMTA CAC members present at Roll Call: Mark Ballew, Joan Downey, Katie Haverkamp, Daniel Murphy, Marc Salomon, Susan Vaughan, Dorris Vincent, Dan Weaver, and Frank Zepeda

SFMTA CAC members absent: Art Cimento, Steve Ferrario, and Roland Wong

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

CAC Acting Secretary Caroline Celaya made the announcement.

4. Approval of Minutes:

- March 6, 2014

The minutes were not approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

5. Report of the Chair (For discussion only)

No report was given.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

6. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

7. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding proposed service and route changes, which include up to a 10 percent increase in service, as part of the Transit Effectiveness Project (TEP). (Julie Kirschbaum)

Julie Kirschbaum, TEP Planning Manager reviewed the process and various service changes.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Pinky Kushner expressed concern about pedestrian safety since there have been several fatalities at 9th & Irving and 7th & Irving. The current planning is not taking pedestrian safety into consideration. Cars turn northwest on 4th, if there is a green light, they will come down fast which is very dangerous. Turn pockets are good for cars but bad for pedestrians. Cars think they have right of way. Removing the stop signs in outer sunset will cause deaths. She urged the SFMTA to balance changes with pedestrian safety. Do not put in stop light at 4th avenue.

Edward Mason inquired about the impact of corporate commuter shuttles on the TEP and if there was a conflict with the success of the TEP with the overlay of shuttles. He counted 19 commuter shuttles in one hour.

Peter Strauss expressed concern about drivers making left turns from Irving.

Motion 140320.01

The SFMTA CAC recommends that funds from the TEP be used to retrofit the 9th and Judah inbound keystone platform so that the historic and vintage streetcars can clear the platform and run to the Beach.

On motion to approve Motion 140320.01: Approved

Ayes – Ballew, Downey, Haverkamp, Murphy, Salomon, Susan Vaughan, Vincent, Weaver, and Zepeda

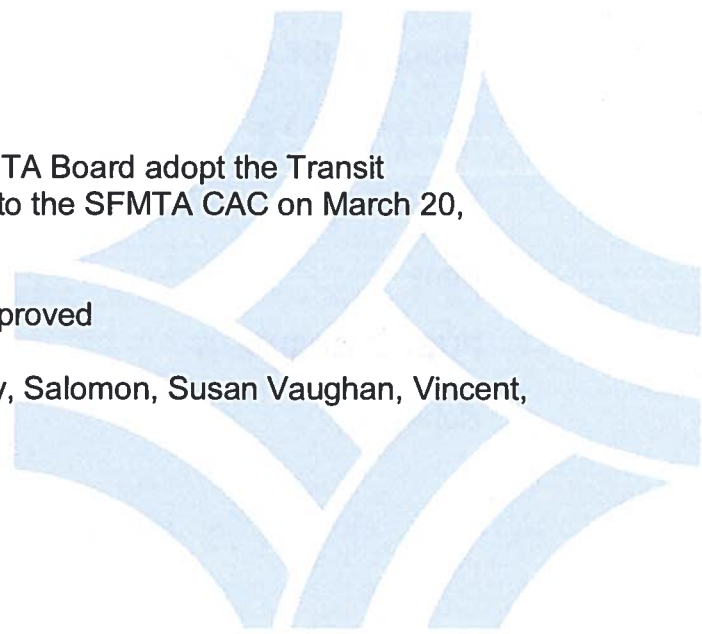
Absent - Cimento, Ferrario, and Wong

Motion 140320.02

The SFMTA CAC recommends that the SFMTA Board adopt the Transit Effectiveness Project program as presented to the SFMTA CAC on March 20, 2014.

On motion to approve Motion 140320.02: Approved

Ayes – Ballew, Downey, Haverkamp, Murphy, Salomon, Susan Vaughan, Vincent, Weaver, and Zepeda



Absent - Cimento, Ferrario, and Wong

8. **Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding the FY 2015 and FY 2016 Operating Budget, including possible changes to various fares, fees, fines, rates and charges; possible new revenue sources and new expenditures and revenue and expenditure reductions; and discussion of the FY 2015 and FY 2016 Capital Budget, including possible capital programs and projects.** (Sonali Bose)

Sonali Bose presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Peter Strauss urged the Council to not get complacent about a balanced budget because operating needs aren't served by this budget. At least \$50 million isn't funded by this budget to bring the fleet to a state of good repair. 10% service isn't fully funded as it is balanced on the basis of 25 million one-time funding. In order to incentivize the fast pass, you need a clipper card. If equity is a concern there are other ways to approach it. He urged the SFMTA to provide a frequent rider benefit.

Edward Mason inquired if the SFMTA gets reimbursement from the San Francisco Giants for parking control officers.

9. **Discussion and possible action regarding recommendations from the Operations and Customer Service Committee (OCSC):**

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

Motion 140311.01

The SFMTA CAC received testimony and evidence that the SFMTA On-Street Parking Management Policy document does not conform to past practices. In 2012 we recommended its adoption by the SFMTA Board, with assurances from staff that the document changed no policies; our recommendation was explicitly conditioned on the claim that the document represented no change in policy.

The SFMTA CAC urges the SFMTA Board to temporarily suspend the policy document and investigate this matter, and further recommends that if the document is found to contain new policies, the implementation of those policies be suspended until a public process is completed to resolve conflicts between the agency's actual and written policies.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mark Miller stated that this issue has been looked at long enough. In 2012, the SFMTA Board did not consider the CAC resolution. They were also told the policy restated existing policies. There is data that shows it was inaccurate and was intentional. He urged the CAC to make their resolution more direct and ask the Board to rescind the resolution. There was no presentation at the Board meeting and conversations took place off record. He urged the Council to look into this.

Judy Berkowitz, Pres. Coalition for SF Neighborhoods, stated that the coalition passed a resolution on this matter rescinding their initial approval and demanding the Director take the primary role of sustainable streets as documented in the strategic plan and required by the transit code. She urged the Council to suspend all rules and guidelines until the situation is rectified.

Mary Eliza urged the Council to take neighbors into consideration when making decisions.

Mickie Jacobson stated that she supports the previous speakers. She heard that Tom Folks had been following the same guidelines for 25 years and now he's being reassigned.

Leo Germano expressed support for the motion and frustration when dealing with traffic engineering staff. 5000 meters are currently being planned but when he attended a public meeting staff was only putting forth the idea of under 200 meters. Staff says they need to manage traffic. He urged the Council to consider the implications of their actions.

On motion to approve Motion 120802.01: Approved

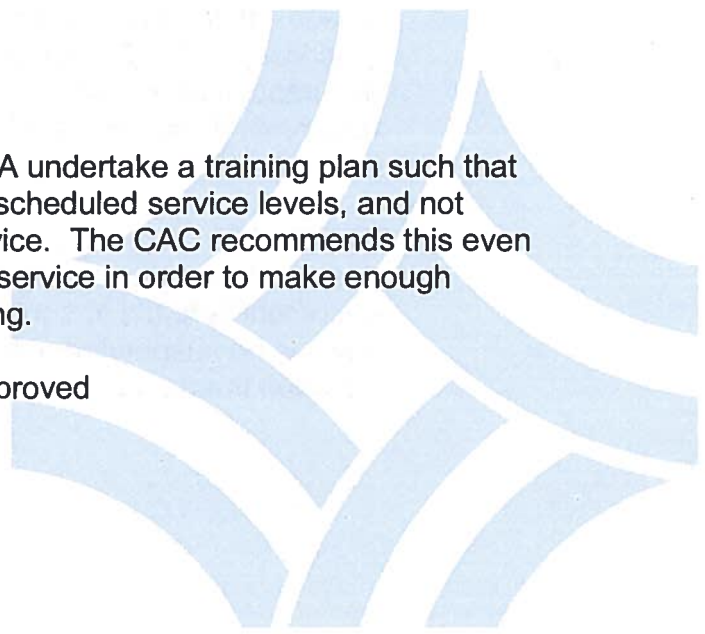
Ayes – Ballew, Downey, Haverkamp, Murphy, Salomon, Susan Vaughan, Vincent, Weaver, and Zepeda

Absent - Cimento, Ferrario, and Wong

Motion 140311.02

The CAC recommends that the SFMTA undertake a training plan such that the supply of operators catches up to scheduled service levels, and not persistently lag behind scheduled service. The CAC recommends this even if it results in short-term detriments to service in order to make enough qualified personnel available for training.

On motion to approve Motion 140311.02: Approved



Ayes – Ballew, Downey, Haverkamp, Murphy, Salomon, Susan Vaughan, Vincent, Weaver, and Zepeda
Absent - Cimento, Ferrario, and Wong

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

Motion 140311.03

The CAC recommends that new housing built without parking spaces be ineligible for more than one Residential Parking Permit unless the number of permits outstanding is less than 100% of the RPP parking places available in that zone.

Motion continued to the next meeting

10. Discussion and possible action regarding recommendations from the Finance and Administration Committee (FAC):

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

Motion 140312.01

The CAC urges the SFMTA Board to pursue wider availability of Clipper cards both geographically throughout the City as well as by providing social services agencies that serve people with low incomes with Clipper cards as tokens are now provided.

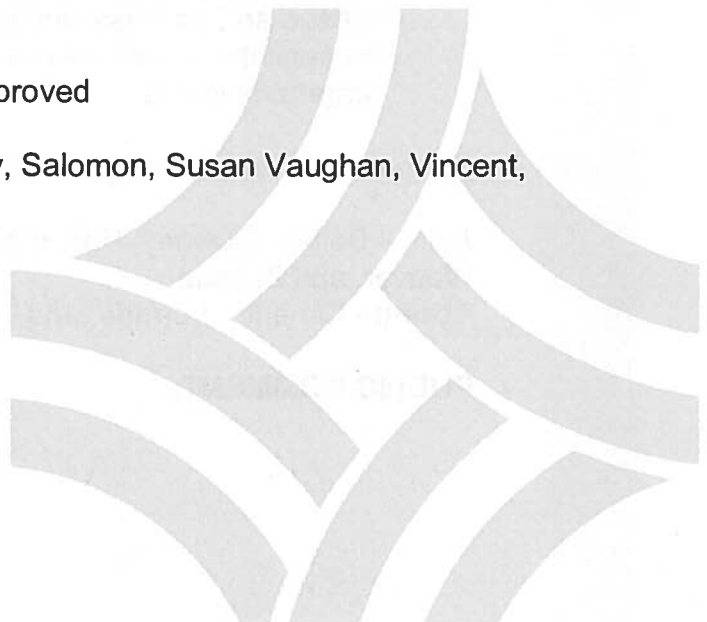
The CAC urges the SFMTA Board to plan for wider availability of Clipper services to these communities as a condition for increasing the fare differential between cash and Clipper.

On motion to approve Motion 140312.01: Approved

Ayes – Ballew, Downey, Haverkamp, Murphy, Salomon, Susan Vaughan, Vincent, Weaver, and Zepeda
Absent - Cimento, Ferrario, and Wong

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None



Motion 140312.02

The CAC recommends that the SFMTA Board raise the parking meter use fee, also known as the meter bagging fee, to recover the full revenue loss of \$21.30 in FY 2015, and that the agency index the rate in subsequent fiscal years.

On motion to approve Motion 140312.02: Approved

Ayes – Ballew, Downey, Haverkamp, Murphy, Salomon, Susan Vaughan, Vincent, Weaver, and Zepeda

Absent - Cimento, Ferrario, and Wong

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

Motion 140312.03

The CAC urges the SFMTA Board to pursue fare differentials on the cable car lines, keeping Clipper fares constant while increasing cash fares by a larger increment to keep the cable car system more affordable to regular riders.

Motion continued to the next meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

Motion 140312.04

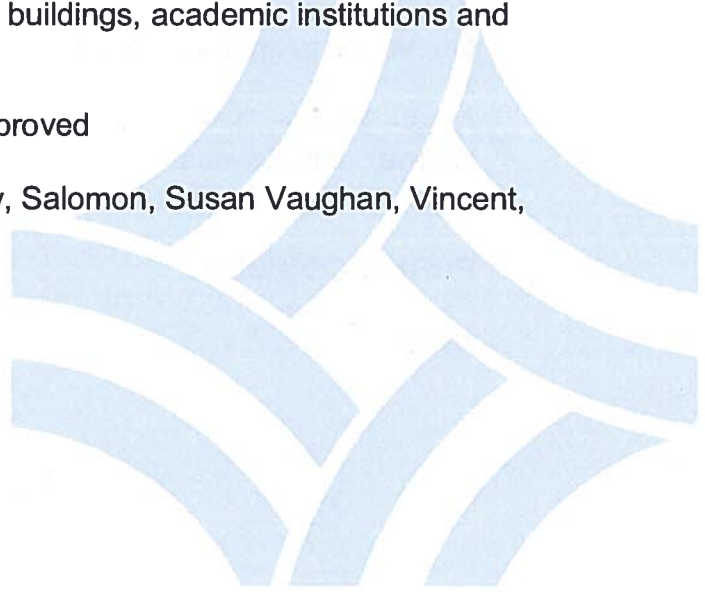
The CAC urges the SFMTA Board work with the Planning Department to pursue an Eco Pass similar to that made available by the VTA, a group pass for institutions such as new residential buildings, academic institutions and larger employers.

On motion to approve Motion 140312.04: Approved

Ayes – Ballew, Downey, Haverkamp, Murphy, Salomon, Susan Vaughan, Vincent, Weaver, and Zepeda

Absent - Cimento, Ferrario, and Wong

PUBLIC COMMENT:



None

Motion 140312.05

The CAC urges the SFMTA Board to condition work order payments to the San Francisco Police Department on measured progress on enforcing transit only lane restrictions to speed up surface transit.

On motion to approve Motion 140312.05: Approved

Ayes – Ballew, Downey, Haverkamp, Murphy, Salomon, Susan Vaughan, Vincent, Weaver, and Zepeda

Absent - Cimento, Ferrario, and Wong

11. Committee Members' requests for information. (For discussion only)

None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

12. Schedule upcoming calendar items. (For discussion only)

Next meeting: Thursday, May 1, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.

1 South Van Ness Avenue, 7th Floor, Union Square Conference Room, # 7080

ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm

Respectfully submitted by:



Caroline Celaya
Acting SFMTA CAC - Secretary



