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**SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY
CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL**

MINUTES

**Thursday, August 4, 2016
Room 7080, Union Square Conference Room
1 South Van Ness Avenue, 7th Floor**

**REGULAR MEETING
5:30 P.M.**

COUNCIL MEMBERS

**Daniel Weaver (Chair), Daniel Murphy (Vice Chair), Neil Ballard, Mark Ballew,
Steve Cornell, Joan Downey, Cesar Magdaleno, Alex Reese, Steve Taber, Susan Vaughan,
Dorris Vincent, and Frank Zepeda**

**COUNCIL LIAISON
Roberta Boomer**

**COUNCIL SECRETARY
Keka Robinson-Luqman**

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

Chairman Weaver called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m.

2. Roll Call

CAC members present at Roll Call: Neil Ballard, Joan Downey, Cesar Magdaleno, Alex Reese, Steve Taber, Dorris Vincent, Daniel Weaver, and Frank Zepeda

CAC members absent: Mark Ballew, Stephen Cornell, Daniel Murphy, and Susan Vaughan (all with notification)

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

Council Liaison Boomer made the announcement.

4. Approval of Minutes:

No public comment.

On motion to approve the minutes of July 7, 2016:

ADOPTED: AYES – Neil Ballard, Joan Downey, Cesar Magdaleno, Alex Reese, Steve Taber, Dorris Vincent, Daniel Weaver, and Frank Zepeda

ABSENT – Mark Ballew, Stephen Cornell, Daniel Murphy, and Susan Vaughan

5. Report of the Chair (For discussion only)

No report.

6. Public Comment:

Denise Louie talked about landscaping for native plants and wildlife that co-evolved together. There are 32 national resource areas in San Francisco. Balboa Park station has two sides that need landscaping. She asked the SFMTA to use native plants in those areas last year. The Ocean Avenue Association and City College Sustainability Committee asked the City to use sustainable plants. The SFMTA said they would like to have a mediterranean palate rather than native plants. She requested that the CAC recommend the use of native plants to the SFMTA decision makers. Their usage would be best ecologically and economically.

Edward Mason discussed commuter shuttle buses that are operating with green pilot placards in violation of the plan. Other buses are operating without any placards. (Mr. Mason submitted written comments for inclusion in the minutes.)

Written 150-Word Public Testimony by Edward Mason for Minutes of SFMTA Citizens' Advisory Council Regular Meeting August 4, 2016: Agenda Item 6, Public Comment:

August 4, 2016 CAC comment by Edward Mason. WeDriveU 2019 operated between April and July with green pilot placard 05-018. After four months of violation reporting, WeDriveU 2019 finally displays the proper blue placard 05-5112. Lux 6 currently operates with green pilot placard 09-013, a violation of the plan. Loop 246 and SFO Airporter 454 operate with no required blue placards, a violation of the plan.

REGULAR CALENDAR

7. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding the SFMTA website changes. (Kristin Smith, Marketing Manager. Explanatory documents include a slide presentation.)

Kristin Smith presented the item. The SFMTA is currently in Phase II of the website re-design.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Edward Mason asked if the SFMTA has looked at what other transit sites have done. He said the Metropolitan Transportation Commission has a good website. He inquired if the SFMTA has planned to have people do a dry run of the website to get a critique.

8. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding Muni Forward Capital and Service changes. (Michael Rhodes, Transportation Planner. Explanatory Documents include a slide presentation.)

Julie Kirschbaum and Michael Rhodes presented the item. They also provided updates on the 19 and 48 lines as well as the L Taraval Rapid Project.

Dorris Vincent arrived at 6:20 p.m.

No public comment.

CAC MOTION 160804.01

The SFMTA CAC supports the L Taraval Rapid Project.

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Neil Ballard, Joan Downey, Cesar Magdaleno, Alex Reese, Steve Taber, Dorris Vincent, Daniel Weaver, and Frank Zepeda

ABSENT – Mark Ballew, Stephen Cornell, Daniel Murphy, and Susan Vaughan

CAC MOTION 160804.02

The SFMTA CAC recommends that the light lenses for the Light Rail Vehicles be kept clean so that drivers can see the flashing amber lights.

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Neil Ballard, Joan Downey, Cesar Magdaleno, Alex Reese, Steve Taber, Dorris Vincent, Daniel Weaver, and Frank Zepeda

ABSENT – Mark Ballew, Stephen Cornell, Daniel Murphy, and Susan Vaughan

CAC MOTION 160804.03

The SFMTA CAC recommends that if it is successful, the L Taraval striping and signage project be considered for appropriate application for other LRV locations.

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Neil Ballard, Joan Downey, Cesar Magdaleno, Alex Reese, Steve Taber, Dorris Vincent, Daniel Weaver, and Frank Zepeda

ABSENT – Mark Ballew, Stephen Cornell, Daniel Murphy, and Susan Vaughan

9. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding the Folsom Streetscape project. (Greg Riessen, Transportation Engineer. Explanatory documents include a slide presentation.)

Greg Riessen presented the item. The San Francisco Office of Community Investment and Infrastructure is fully funding the \$15 million streetscape project on Folsom Street. The project includes sidewalk widening, rain gardens, and re-striping the street for the protected bikeway. They hope to break ground in 2017.

No public comment.

CAC MOTION 160804.04

The SFMTA CAC recommends that the SFMTA endorse the Folsom streetscape project.

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Neil Ballard, Joan Downey, Cesar Magdaleno, Alex Reese, Steve Taber, Dorris Vincent, Daniel Weaver, and Frank Zepeda

ABSENT – Mark Ballew, Stephen Cornell, Daniel Murphy, and Susan Vaughan

10. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding the Engineering, Maintenance and Safety Committee (EMSC) report and recommendations.

Frank Zepeda reported on the July EMSC meeting. The EMSC received an update of the Islais Creek project; on ConnectSF and the subway vision.

11. Council Member Information and Agenda Item Requests. (For discussion only)

Steve Taber stated that the merchants of Russian Hill are concerned about the Polk Streetscape Project construction and want to know who they should contact to get more information about the project.

Joan Downey inquired if the paratransit on-time performance is a part of the service standards.

Joan Downey inquired about what can be done keep the bike lanes clean.

Joan Downey stated that tourists often ask drivers on the 43 Masonic line about whether the bus goes to Golden Gate Park. Drivers say that they don't know. She inquired if drivers are given information about attractions on or near their routes.

Joan Downey inquired if the group in charge of landscaping plans on using native plants for future landscaping projects.

Dorris Vincent inquired about how to request T-stripe parking lines on her block.

ADJOURN - The meeting was adjourned at 7:50p.m.

Submitted by:



Keka Robinson-Luqman
SFMTA CAC – Secretary

Next regular meeting: Thursday, September 1st at 5:30pm
1 South Van Ness Avenue, 7th Floor, Union Square Conference Room, #7080