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

MINUTES

Tuesday, June 7, 2016
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
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 1:02 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Cheryl Brinkman
Gwyneth Borden - absent at Roll Call
Malcolm Heinicke – absent at Roll Call
Tom Nolan
Joél Ramos
Cristina Rubke

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

On motion to approve the minutes of the May 17, 2016 Regular Meeting: unanimously approved (Borden, Heinicke - absent).

5. Communications

Acting Board Secretary Celaya stated that Item 11 regarding the contract for the Van Ness Improvement Project had been removed from the agenda at the request of staff.

Director Borden arrived.

6. Introduction of New or Unfinished Business by Board Members

Director Brinkman requested an update on the Better Market Street Plan.

7. Director’s Report (For discussion only)

- Special Recognition Award
- Disclosure of Labor Agreement
- Ongoing Activities

Ed Reiskin, Director of Transportation, recognized the Operator Restroom Task Force Team members.

Director Reiskin also disclosed the labor agreement with Transport Worker's Union, Local 200.

Director Reiskin also discussed the Masonic Avenue Complete Streets Project; the Smart City Challenge and proposed charter amendments.

No public comment.

8. Citizens' Advisory Council Report

No report.

9. Public Comment

Linda Shen discussed the L Taraval Project which will move bus stops and cause seniors to walk three to four more blocks. She expressed concern that buses will pass up people who aren't aware of the stops being moved. This is frustrating and inconvenient because seniors have difficulty walking. Service is key for the SFMTA and this is downgraded service. The SFMTA is trading public safety and only saving three minutes by moving the nine stops. This isn't effective and it's dangerous.

Daniel Menzies expressed appreciation for the owl service on Treasure Island (TI) but there is a problem of drivers not showing up for their scheduled stops. When buses finally arrive, they are too crowded to board. Treasure Island is a low income neighborhood and unique in that residents need a motorized vehicle because they can't take a train or ride a bike. He offered to work with SFMTA staff on a solution and involve the TI community.

Eileen Boken read a resolution from the Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods urging the Board of Supervisors to place \$25 million for Muni Forward projects on reserve. There have been negative impacts on Mission Street and designs for Lombard, Geary, Van Ness, California, Geneva, Ocean, Masonic and Stockton will potentially create similar negative impacts. The funds need to be on reserve until the impacts are resolved to the satisfaction of communities.

Herbert Weiner likened the SFMTA to Greek mythology where a sorceress guards the gates of hell. The agency is chaotic and all hell is breaking loose because parking and traffic are much more difficult. Taxis are at risk because taxi drivers can't afford the medallion fees. The SFMTA must do better. He called for the termination of the SFMTA.

Tom Gilberti stated that two years ago he spoke to bus drivers and asked if they were still being charged \$5 a day to park. He was told that Mr. Reiskin ended that policy. The SFMTA needs to address the rattling of the drivers front cage and seats next to the wheelchairs on the 65, 67, 72 lines. Paving bus lanes should be a priority. He invited the SFMTA to ride the station elevators to get a sense of the uncleanness.

Patricia Lovelock discussed the Gough and Bush commuter bus shuttle stop. She went to an engineering hearing and was told the stop would go before the Board but now it's a temporary stop. This is a high injury corridor with lots of seniors and disabled people. These buses are in traffic lanes and are double parking, causing near collisions. The community was able to stop plans for a shuttle stop at Pine Street. There needs to be enforcement at this location.

Michael O'Rourke expressed appreciation for the L Taraval line which is running beautifully and is a pleasure to ride. Taraval Street merchants are not happy with the current revision. To reduce collisions, he urged the SFMTA to have the police enforce existing laws. He doesn't want to see \$37 million spent on decoration. He urged staff to continue to review the project and present revisions to the community.

Mari Eliza expressed appreciation for the removal of the Van Ness Corridor Transit Improvement Project from the agenda because there are a lot of issues that need to be fixed. Her major concern is that the disabled and elderly can't stand for a long time and asking them to walk further to a bus stop is unfair.

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. 7th 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. Eugenia Ostrovsky vs. CCSF, Superior Ct. #CGC14540362 filed on 7/3/14 for \$6,000
- B. Susan Rivera vs. CCSF, Superior Ct. #CGC15547236 filed on 8/7/15 for \$7,500

RESOLUTION 16-067

(10.2) Approving the following traffic modifications:

- A. REVOKE – BLUE ZONE – 916 Laguna Street, east side, from 43 feet to 65 south of Golden Gate Avenue.
- B. ESTABLISH – BLUE ZONE – 991 Golden Gate Avenue, south side, from 15 feet to 37 east of Laguna Street.

- C. ESTABLISH – TOW-AWAY, NO PARKING ANYTIME – Goettingen Street, north terminus, 350 feet north of Olmsted Street.
- D. ESTABLISH – NO PARKING VEHICLES GREATER THAN 6 FEET HIGH – Clayton Street, west side, between 17th Street and Carmel Street.
- E. ESTABLISH – RED ZONE – O’Farrell Street, south side, from east Lyon Street curb line to 33 feet westerly.
- F. ESTABLISH – NO U-TURN – Lincoln Way, eastbound, at 16th Avenue; Lincoln Way, eastbound, at 17th Avenue; and Lincoln Way, eastbound, at 18th Avenue.
- G. ESTABLISH – TOW-AWAY, NO STOPPING ANYTIME – 14th Street, north side, from Folsom Street to 38 feet easterly.
- H. ESTABLISH – TOW-AWAY, NO STOPPING ANYTIME – ESTABLISH – SIDEWALK WIDENING – Howard Street, south side, from 5th Street to 25 feet easterly; and 5th Street, east side, from Howard Street to 32 feet southerly.
- I. ESTABLISH – TOW-AWAY, NO STOPPING ANYTIME – ESTABLISH – SIDEWALK WIDENING – Eddy Street, north side, from Taylor Street to 22 feet westerly; Eddy Street, south side, from Taylor Street to 82 feet easterly; Taylor Street, west side, from Eddy Street to 25 feet northerly; and Taylor Street, east side, from Eddy Street to 19 feet southerly.
- J. ESTABLISH – TOW-AWAY, NO STOPPING ANYTIME – ESTABLISH – SIDEWALK WIDENING – Ellis Street, north side, from Jones Street to 82 feet westerly; Ellis Street, south side, from Jones Street to 25 feet easterly; Jones Street, west side, from Ellis Street to 15 feet northerly; and Jones Street, east side, from Ellis Street to 25 feet southerly.
- K. ESTABLISH – RESTRICTED STREET, VEHICLES PROHIBITED 7 AM TO 7 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY – ESTABLISH – TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING, 7 AM TO 7 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY – Jack London Alley, from South Park Street to 40 feet northerly.
- L. ESTABLISH – CLASS III BICYCLE ROUTE – 34th Avenue, between Lincoln Way and Irving Street.
- M. RESCIND – CLASS III BICYCLE ROUTE – Sunset Boulevard, between Martin Luther King Drive and Irving Street; and Irving Street, between Sunset Boulevard and 34th Avenue.
- N. ESTABLISH – RIGHT TURN ONLY – Leavenworth Street, southbound, at North Point Street.
- O. ESTABLISH – NO LEFT TURN – North Point Street, westbound, at Leavenworth Street.
- P. ESTABLISH – NO LEFT TURN EXCEPT TAXIS FROM 11PM to 6AM & EXCEPT MUNI AT ALL TIMES – Market Street, westbound, at 11th Street (replaces NO LEFT TURN EXCEPT MUNI).
- Q. ESTABLISH – NO LEFT TURN EXCEPT TAXIS FROM 1AM to 5AM & EXCEPT MUNI AT ALL TIMES – Market Street, eastbound, at 3rd Street (replaces NO LEFT TURN EXCEPT MUNI).
- R. ESTABLISH – NO LEFT TURN EXCEPT MUNI – Market Street, westbound, at 6th Street (replaces NO LEFT TURN).
- S. ESTABLISH – BUS ZONE – Diamond Heights Boulevard, west side, from Diamond Street north crosswalk to 85 feet southerly.
- T. ESTABLISH – MARKED CROSSWALK– Diamond Heights Boulevard at Diamond Street, north crosswalk crossing Diamond Heights Boulevard.
- U. ESTABLISH – RED ZONE – Diamond Heights Boulevard, west side, from Diamond Street to 30 feet northerly.
- V. ESTABLISH – TOW-AWAY, NO STOPPING ANYTIME – ESTABLISH – SIDEWALK

WIDENING – Bay Street, south side, from Hyde Street to 23 feet westerly; and Bay Street, south side, from Hyde Street to 23 feet easterly.

- W. ESTABLISH – BUS ZONE – Mission Street, south side, from Main Street to 163 feet easterly.
- X. ESTABLISH – PART-TIME BUS ZONE, 8 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY – Presidio Avenue, east side, from 75 feet to 120 feet north of California Street.
- Y. ESTABLISH – YELLOW COMMERCIAL LOADING ZONE, 7:30 AM to 3 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY – California Street, north side, from 20 feet to 52 feet east of Presidio Avenue. (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 16-068

(10.3) Recommending that the Board of Supervisors authorize the SFMTA to execute a grant application, grant agreement, and related documents under the State of California’s Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program as a joint applicant with Mercy Housing for the project at 455 Fell Street, and with the Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation for the project at 480 Eddy Street, on the condition that the Board of Supervisors authorize the City to assume any joint and several liability for completion of the projects; and authorizing the SFMTA to accept and expend the grant funds for the SFMTA work should the City be awarded the grant(s). (Explanatory documents include a staff report, and resolution.)

RESOLUTION 16-069

(10.4) Authorizing the Director to issue a Request for Proposals for Workers’ Compensation Claims Administration Services, to jointly conduct proposal evaluation, contract negotiation and contract formation for an initial term of three-years with two, one year contract extensions at the City’s sole discretion. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, resolution and request for proposals.)

RESOLUTION 16-070

(10.5) Acting as the Parking Authority Commission, accepting a gift of public art from the donor, Sites Unseen, commissioned from the artist Barry McGee in the amount of \$150,000; and authorizing the Director to execute the Gift of Public Art Agreement for the acceptance, installation and maintenance of the mural. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, resolution, agreement and map. The proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by the S. F. Administrative Code Chapter 31)

Item 10.5 was severed from the agenda at the request of staff.

Ted Graff, Director, Parking, and Jessica Shafer, Director, Sites Unseen, presented the item.

RESOLUTION 16-071

On motion to approve Item 10.5:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Nolan, Ramos and Rubke

ABSENT - Heinicke

On motion to approve the Consent Calendar (Item 10.5 severed):

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Nolan, Ramos and Rubke

ABSENT - Heinicke

REGULAR CALENDAR

11. Making environmental findings and authorizing the Director to execute Contract Amendment #1 to Contract No. 1289, Van Ness Corridor Transit Improvement Project, with Walsh Construction Company for construction services, increasing the contract amount by \$203,092,342, for a total contract amount of \$203,892,342, and for an overall contract term not to exceed five years. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, resolution and amendment.)

Item 11 was removed from the agenda at the request of staff.

12. Urging the Planning Commission, Board of Supervisors and the Mayor to adopt an amendment to the Planning Code to establish a Transportation Demand Management Ordinance and endorsing legislation establishing the Transportation Demand Management Ordinance. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, resolution and slide presentation.)

Director Heinicke arrived.

Carli Paine, Manager, Land Use Development and Transportation Integration, Corey Teague, Assistant Zoning Administrator, City Planning Department and Michael Schwartz, Principal Planner, San Francisco County Transportation Authority, presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support: Cathy DeLucca and Alice Rogers

Members of the public expressing neither support nor opposition: Herbert Weiner and Tom Gilberti

RESOLUTION 16-071

On motion to approve:

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

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.

RECESS REGULAR MEETING AND CONVENE CLOSED SESSION

CLOSED SESSION

1. Call to Order

Chairman Nolan called the closed session to order at 2:47 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Cheryl Brinkman
Gwyneth Borden
Malcolm Heinicke
Tom Nolan
Joél Ramos
Cristina Rubke

Also present: Ed Reiskin, Director of Transportation
Caroline Celaya, Acting Board Secretary
Susan Cleveland-Knowles, Deputy City Attorney

3. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 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 in the following case:

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

Existing Litigation:

Adelia Medel vs. CCSF, Superior Ct. #CGC14541855 filed on 9/26/14 for \$400,000

ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION AND RECONVENE OPEN SESSION - The closed session was adjourned at 3:04 p.m.

14. Announcement of Closed Session.

Chairman Nolan announced that the SFMTA Board of Directors met in closed session to discuss the Adelia Medel vs. CCSF case with the City Attorney. The Board of Directors continued this item to the next meeting.

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

On motion to not disclose the information discussed: unanimously approved.

ADJOURN - The meeting was adjourned at 3:07 p.m.

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

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Appeal Rights under S.F. Admin. Code Chapter 31:
For identified Approval Actions, the Planning Department or the SFMTA has issued a CEQA exemption determination or negative declaration, which may be viewed online at the Planning Department's website. Following approval of the item by the SFMTA Board, the CEQA determination is subject to appeal within the time frame specified in S.F. Administrative Code Section 31.16 which is typically within 30 calendar days. For information on filing a CEQA appeal, contact the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors at City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco, CA 94102, or call (415) 554-5184. Under CEQA, in a later court challenge, a litigant may be limited to raising only those issues previously raised at a hearing on the project or submitted in writing to the City prior to or at such hearing, or as part of the appeal hearing process on the CEQA decision.

The Ethics Commission of the City and County of San Francisco has asked us to remind individuals and entities that influence or attempt to influence local legislative or administrative action may be required by the San Francisco Lobbyist Ordinance [S.F. Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code section 2.100 et seq.] to register and report lobbying activity. For more information about the Lobbyist Ordinance, please contact the Ethics Commission at 415.581.2300; fax: 415.581.2317; 25 Van Ness Avenue, Suite 220, SF, CA 94102-6027 or the web site: sfgov.org/ethics.