



San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors & Parking Authority Commission

MEETING MINUTES • Meeting Date: Tuesday, April 18, 2023

REGULAR MEETING

1:00pm

1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
Room 400, City Hall

Members of the SFMTA Board of Directors will attend this meeting in-person. Members of the public are invited to observe the meeting in-person or remotely online as described below. Members of the public attending the meeting in person will have an opportunity to provide public comment on every action or discussion item.

In addition to in-person public comment, the Board will hear up to 10 minutes of remote public comment on each action or discussion item. The Board will hear remote public comment on items in the order that commenters add themselves to the queue to comment on the item. Because of the 10-minute time limit, it is possible that not every person in the queue will have an opportunity to provide remote public comment. Remote public comment from people who have received an accommodation due to disability (as described below) will not count toward the 10-minute limit.

Members of the public are encouraged to provide public comment via email. Send an email to MTABoard@sfmta.com by 5pm the day before the meeting to ensure your comment is received by the Board in advance of the meeting.

REMOTE MEETING ACCESS

WATCH: www.sfgovtv.org/sfmtaLIVE or
<https://www.sfmta.com/calendar/board-directors-meeting-april-18-2023>

PUBLIC COMMENT CALL-IN: 415.655.0001 ACCESS CODE: 2599 544 4500##

SFMTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Amanda Eaken, Chair
Gwyneth Borden, Vice Chair
Stephanie Cajina
Steve Heminger
Fiona Hinze
Manny Yekutieli

DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION

Jeffrey Tumlin

BOARD SECRETARY

Christine Silva



ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

Chair Eaken called the meeting to order at 1:01pm.

Board Secretary Silva announced the 10-minute time limit for remote public comment.

2. Roll Call

Present: Fiona Hinze
Manny Yekutieli
Gwyneth Borden
Amanda Eaken

Absent (with notification): Stephanie Cajina
Steve Heminger

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

Board Secretary Silva made the announcement.

4. Approval of Minutes

No public comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

On motion to approve the minutes of the April 4, 2023 Regular Meeting:

ADOPTED: AYES – Hinze, Yekutieli, Borden and Eaken
ABSENT – Cajina and Heminger

5. Communications

None.

6. Introduction of New or Unfinished Business by Board Members

Director Yekutieli requested an update on Shared Spaces outreach and communications as well as an update on the Central Subway Project.



No public comment.

7. Director's Report (For discussion only)

- Bike and Roll to School Week
- Human Rights Commission Presentation
- Ongoing Activities

Director Tumlin shared about Bike and Roll to School Week, Earth Day, public transit ride along, upcoming Human Rights Commission hearing, Good People Tough Job Campaign, Supervisor Preston's resolution introduction asking state of CA to fund Bay Area public transit, Arguello Boulevard bike safety improvements, and Arab American & Middle Eastern Heritage Month Cable Car event.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Aleta Dupree appreciated the report and commented on funding.

8. Citizens' Advisory Council Report

None.

9. Public Comment

Members of the public may address the SFMTA Board of Directors on matters that are within the Board's jurisdiction and are not on today's calendar.

Mark Gruberg expressed concern about the taxi medallion system not working for K medallion holders and urged the SFMTA to declare a moratorium on medallion suspensions.

Marcelo Fonseca shared about his experience while working as a taxi driver and urged the SFMTA to get rid of the driving requirement.

Luke Bornheimer urged the SFMTA to take fast action on streets and requested traffic diverters on Page Street be fixed.

Carl Macmurdo expressed concern for taxi medallion holders and the taxi airport policy.

Barry Taranto shared about attending a recent Interdepartmental Staff Committee on Traffic and Transportation (ISCOTT) meeting and urged the SFMTA to better enforce taxi stands at night.



Aleta Dupree shared about recently riding on Van Ness and using the escalators at Central Subway Stations.

Brian Trzcinski expressed concern about Vision Zero, that the SFMTA is prioritizing cars and parking over other considerations and reminded the SFMTA of the city's Transit First Policy.

Speaker requested that Director Yekutieli recuse himself from Item 11.

Speaker expressed concern about taxi medallions.

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. Approving various routine parking and traffic modifications (The Planning Department has found that items A-G are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act [CEQA]. For these parking and traffic modifications that received a categorical exemption, the proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code. Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.):

- A. ESTABLISH - RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA Y – 318-338 Main Street; 333 Beale & 203 Folsom Streets.
- B. ESTABLISH - RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA J – 915-925 Irving Street.
- C. ESTABLISH - RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA AA – 3281-3283 Mission Street.
- D. ESTABLISH - RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA S – 3930-3938 24th Street.
- E. ESTABLISH - SHARED SPACES ROAD CLOSURE – Gold Street between Montgomery and Balance streets. Saturday, April 1, 2023, through Sunday, March 31, 2024, 4 pm to midnight, daily.



- F. ESTABLISH – SHARED SPACES ROAD CLOSURE – Mark Lane between Bush Street and Harlan Place. Saturday, April 1, 2023, through Sunday, March 31, 2024, 11 am to 11 pm, daily.
- G. ESTABLISH – SHARED SPACES ROAD CLOSURE – Golden Gate Avenue between Leavenworth and Jones streets, Saturday, April 1, 2023, through Saturday, November 4, 2023, 6 am to 6 pm, daily.

RESOLUTION No. 230418-030

- 10.2. Approving a new form Master License Agreement (2023 MLA) permitting telecommunications companies to install cell telephone antennae and equipment on SFMTA poles; increasing Pole License application fees, decreasing annual license fees, and approving fee escalation rates; approving 2023 MLAs with AT&T, Verizon, Extenet, Crown Castle, and Mobilitie, and requesting the Board of Supervisors to approve those agreements; and, delegating authority to the Director of Transportation to approve Pole Licenses issued under approved 2023 MLAs. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

RESOLUTION No. 230418-031

- 10.3. Acting as the Service Authority for the Abatement of Abandoned Vehicles, approving the renewal and collection of the \$1 Abandoned Vehicle Abatement fee for a ten-year period from June 1, 2023 until May 31, 2033, and requesting that the Board of Supervisors amend the Transportation Code to approve the extension for ten years until May 31, 2033. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

RESOLUTION No. 230418-032

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing opposition: Barry Taranto (10.1)

On motion to approve the Consent Calendar:

ADOPTED: AYES – Hinze, Yekutieli, Borden and Eaken
 ABSENT – Cajina and Heminger

REGULAR CALENDAR

- 11. Amending Transportation Code, Division II, Sections 1119–1121 to remove references to the Board of Appeals. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)



Kate Toran, Director of Taxis, Access and Mobility Services, and Bree Mawhorter, Chief Finance Officer, presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing opposition: Mark Gruberg, Charles Rathbone, Marcelo Fonseca, Carl Macmurdo, Evelyn Engel, Barry Taranto, Mary Maguire, Speaker, and Speaker

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Hinze, Yekutieli, Borden and Eaken
 ABSENT – Cajina and Heminger

RESOLUTION No. 230413-033

Chair Eaken recessed the meeting at 2:29pm and reconvened the meeting at 2:40pm.

12. Suspending the requirement in Transportation Code, Division II, Section 916(a)(2), that the duration of Powered Scooter Share Program permits terms be up to two years, and authorizing the Director, or his designee, to extend the current permits by one year to June 2024 to conduct a full program evaluation and update program rules; and amending Transportation Code, Division II, Section 916(d)(5) to add sidewalk riding detection technology requirements to the scooter program. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

Danny Yeung, Acting Manager Permits & Administration – Taxis, Access and Mobility Services, presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support: Speaker, Karen Gerbasimovich, Brett Muller, Mark Leeson, Jerome Singer, Speaker, Ryan, and Henry

Members of the public expressing opposition: Barry Taranto, Brian Trzcinski

Members of the public expressing neither support nor opposition: Aleta Dupree and Speaker



On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Hinze, Yekutieli, Borden and Eaken
 ABSENT – Cajina and Heminger

RESOLUTION No. 230413-034

ADJOURN – Chair Eaken adjourned the meeting at 3:48pm.

A recording of the meeting is on file in the office of the Secretary to the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors.


Christine Silva
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.

Board of Supervisors review of certain SFMTA Decisions: Certain parking and traffic modifications as well as Private Transportation Programs that involve certain parking modifications can be reviewed by the Board of Supervisors. These decisions are subject to review within 30 calendar days after they are made by the SFMTA Board of Directors. For information on requesting a review, contact the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors at City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco, CA 94102, call 415.554.5184. Ordinance No. 127-18 specifying which SFMTA decisions are reviewable by the Board of Supervisors can be accessed on-line: <https://sfbos.org/sites/default/files/o0127-18.pdf>.

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



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KNOW YOUR RIGHTS UNDER THE SUNSHINE ORDINANCE

Government's duty is to serve the public, reaching its decision in full view of the public. Commissions, boards, councils and other agencies of the City and County exist to conduct the people's business. This ordinance assures that deliberations are conducted before the people and that City operations are open to the people's review. For more information on your rights under the Sunshine Ordinance or to report a violation of the ordinance, contact Administrator, by mail to Sunshine Ordinance Task Force, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco CA 94102-4689; by phone at 415.554.7724; by fax at 415.554.7854; or by email at sotf@sfgov.org.

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