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MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY  
CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL

MINUTES

July 1, 2021

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**PUBLIC COMMENT CALL-IN:** (415) 915-0757 | Conference ID: 589 180 11#

REGULAR MEETING  
5:30 P.M.

COUNCIL MEMBERS  
Neil Ballard (Chair), Frank Zepeda (Vice Chair),  
Chris Arvin, Michael Chen, Queena Chen, Steve Cornell, Aaron Leifer, John Lisovsky, Obai  
Rambo, Karim Salgado, Yensing Sihapanya, Susan Vaughan, and Dorris Vincent

COUNCIL LIAISON  
Christine Silva

COUNCIL SECRETARY  
Keka Robinson-Luqman

Due to the COVID-19 health emergency and to protect our Council Members, SFMTA staff, and members of the public, the SFMTA Meeting Room (Union Square Conference Room) is closed.

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## ORDER OF BUSINESS

### 1. Call to Order

Chair Ballard called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

### 2. Roll Call

CAC members present at Roll Call: Neil Ballard, Michael Chen, Stephen Cornell, Aaron Leifer, John Lisovsky, Obai Rambo, Yensing Sihapanya, Susan Vaughan, Dorris Vincent, and Frank Zepeda

CAC members absent at Roll Call: Chris Arvin

CAC members absent with notification: Karim Salgado

CAC members absent without notification: Queena Chen

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

No announcement was made.

### 4. Approval of Minutes:

No public comment.

On motion to approve the minutes of June 3, 2021:

ADOPTED: AYES – Neil Ballard, Chris Arvin, Michael Chen, Stephen Cornell, Aaron Leifer, John Lisovsky, Obai Rambo, Susan Vaughan, Yensing Sihapanya, Dorris Vincent, and Frank Zepeda

ABSENT – Queena Chen and Karim Salgado

### 5. Report of the Chair (For discussion only)

Chair Ballard reported that this is his last meeting as Chair and a member of the CAC. He appointed Council member Lisovsky to the Bond Oversight Committee, Council member Arvin as the Chair of the AOCSC, and reappointed Council member Frank Zepeda as the Chair of the EMSC.

### PUBLIC COMMENT:

Hayden Miller wished Neil well and thanked him for his service.

### 6. Public Comment:

Edward Mason stated that the closure of Church street near Market seems more like a recommendation, as he has observed several automobiles going south on Church street while waiting for the J Church. He wondered if there will be any enforcement of the road closure.

## REGULAR CALENDAR

7. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding the election of the CAC Chair and Vice Chair.

CAC Secretary Robinson-Luqman opened the floor for nominations for the position of Chair.

CAC Chair Neil Ballard nominated Council member Michael Chen for Chair of the CAC. There were no additional nominations, so nominations were closed.

On motion to elect Michael Chen as Chair:

ADOPTED: AYES – Neil Ballard, Chris Arvin, Michael Chen, Stephen Cornell, Aaron Leifer, John Lisovsky, Obai Rambo Yensing Sihapanya, Susan Vaughan, Dorris Vincent, and Frank Zepeda  
ABSENT – Queena Chen and Karim Salgado

Chair Michael Chen opened the floor for nominations for the position of Vice Chair.

CAC Chair Michael Chen nominated Council member Aaron Leifer for Vice Chair of the CAC. There were no additional nominations, so nominations were closed.

On motion to elect Aaron Leifer as Vice Chair:

ADOPTED: AYES – Neil Ballard, Chris Arvin, Michael Chen, Stephen Cornell, Aaron Leifer, John Lisovsky, Obai Rambo, Yensing Sihapanya, Susan Vaughan, Dorris Vincent, and Frank Zepeda  
ABSENT – Queena Chen and Karim Salgado

No public comment.

8. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding the SFMTA Housing and Land Use strategy. (Rafe Rabalais, Manager, Long Range Asset Development. Explanatory documents include a slide presentation.)

Rafe Rabalais, Manager, Long Range Asset Development presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Edward Mason stated that the presentation did not provide whether the source of funding will be federal or state and if there are any restrictions. He inquired if any of the property will be available for Muni Operators or maintenance workers.

CAC MOTION 210701.01

The SFMTA CAC recommends developing SFMTA properties in accordance with the City of San Francisco Administrative Code 23A policies and procedures on priority use of public lands for affordable housing by all City departments and agencies.

On motion to approve:

FAILED ADOPTION: AYES – Chris Arvin, Stephen Cornell, Obai Rambo, Susan Vaughan, and Yensing Sihapanya

NAYES – Michael Chen, John Lisovsky, Dorris Vincent, and Frank Zepeda

ABSENT – Queena Chen, Aaron Leifer, and Karim Salgado

CAC MOTION 210701.02

SFMTA CAC recommends fully developing all the land the SFMTA owns with the goal of financial independence, excellent service, and livable wages for its workforce.

On motion to approve:

FAILED ADOPTION: AYES – Michael Chen, John Lisovsky, and Obai Rambo

NAYES – Chris Arvin, Stephen Cornell, Yensing Sihapanya, Susan Vaughan, Dorris Vincent, and Frank Zepeda

ABSENT – Queena Chen, Aaron Leifer, and Karim Salgado

9. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding Vision Zero Strategy Update. (Ryan Reeves, Coordinator, Vision Zero. Explanatory documents include a slide presentation.)

Michael Jacobson, Planner and Ryan Reeves, Coordinator, Vision Zero presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Luke Bornheimer stated that there is a small chance of getting to zero traffic fatalities by 2024 and suggested showing cities that are successful in their reduction of traffic fatalities and how they got there.

Edward Mason asked if there is a plan to have SFPD do traffic enforcement. It's a better impact if there is a bigger police presence and enforcement.

CAC MOTION 210701.03

The SFMTA CAC endorses the updated Vision Zero Action Strategy, urges the SFMTA to pursue funding for additional quick build projects, and supports projects to lower the speed of vehicles in order to reduce pedestrian injuries and deaths.

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES –Chris Arvin, Michael Chen, Stephen Cornell, John Lisovsky, Obai Rambo, Yensing Sihapanya, Susan Vaughan, Dorris Vincent, and Frank Zepeda

ABSENT – Queena Chen Aaron Leifer, Karim Salgado

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

Council member Frank Zepeda, EMSC Chair, presented the report.

No public comment.

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

Sue Vaughan requested the projected revenue for all SFMTA properties with a plan to be developed.

Sue Vaughan requested the link to the TransBASE dashboard.

No public comment.

ADJOURN - The meeting was adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

Submitted by:



Keka Robinson-Luqman  
SFMTA CAC – Secretary

Next regular meeting: Thursday, August 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm | Online via Microsoft Teams