

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

MEETING MINUTES • Meeting Date: Tuesday, October 7, 2025

# **REGULAR MEETING AND CLOSED SESSION**

1:00pm

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

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# SFMTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Janet Tarlov, Chair Stephanie Cajina, Vice Chair Mike Chen Alfonso Felder Steve Heminger Dominica Henderson Fiona Hinze

## **DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION**

Julie Kirschbaum

# **BOARD SECRETARY**

Christine Silva



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## **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Call to Order

Chair Tarlov called the meeting to order at 1:04pm.

2. Roll Call

Present: Mike Chen

Alfonso Felder Steve Heminger Dominica Henderson

Fiona Hinze Janet Tarlov

Absent (at Roll Call): Stephanie Cajina

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

Board Secretary Silva made the announcement.

- 4. Approval of Minutes
  - September 16, 2025, Regular Meeting

No public comment.

On motion to approve the minutes:

ADOPTED: AYES – Chen, Felder, Heminger, Henderson, Hinze, and Tarlov

ABSENT – Cajina

5. Communications

None.

- 6. Director's Report (For discussion only)
  - Special Recognition
  - Transit Updates
  - Potrero Yard Modernization Project Update
  - Events & Ongoing Activities



Director Kirschbaum introduced Lanair Haynes who recognized Rafael Cabrera. Director Kirschbaum provided an update on the Potrero Yard Project, Muni Metro Capacity Study, 6th Street Pedestrian Safety Project, Bloomberg Challenge 14 Mission Pilot Project, and recent events including Muni Heritage Weekend, Autumn Moon Festival, and Walk and Roll to School Week

# PUBLIC COMMENT:

Anthony Ballaster expressed concern for the operators working at Potrero Yard that would need to be sent to other yards and divisions for work.

Griffin Lee congratulated Rafael Cabrera and appreciated staff for scaling back the Potrero Project and prioritizing modernization to keep service running.

# 7. Citizens' Advisory Council Report

No report.

# 8. New or Unfinished Business by Board Members

Director Henderson shared about attending and speaking on a panel at a recent Move Bay Area West Bay Summit.

No public comment.

# 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.

Richard Johnson expressed concern and frustration about the street closure on the 400 block of Hayes Street and the process to participate.

Griffin Lee agreed with the previous speaker regarding process and shared proposed amendments to Supervisor Melgar's Streets Safety Act.

Barry Taranto appreciated staff and expressed concern about street closure permits.

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 simple or 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-B are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act [CEQA]. For these parking and traffic modifications that received a categorical exemption, the proposed SFMTA Board action constitutes the Approval Action as defined by Chapter 31 of the SF Administrative Code. Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)
    - A. ESTABLISH TOW-AWAY, NO STOPPING ANYTIME, Topeka Avenue, north side, from Bridgeview Drive to 57 feet easterly.
    - B. ESTABLISH TOW-AWAY, NO STOPPING ANY TIME, Claremont Boulevard, east side, from Portola Drive to 43 feet northerly, RESCIND MUNI FLAG STOP Vicente Street, east side, south of West Portal Avenue.

RESOLUTION No. 251007-089

10.2. Approving a Roadway Shared Spaces street closure application for Dodge Street between Turk Street and its southerly terminus, Thursday, October 9, 2025, through Friday, October 9, 2026, 3 pm to 10 pm, Thursday through Sunday each week; and making environmental review findings. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

**RESOLUTION No. 251007-090** 

10.3. Consenting to the proposed Development Agreement between the City and County of San Francisco and Prologis, L.P., for two three-story mixed-use buildings, totaling two million square feet, consisting of industrial and retail uses located at 749 Toland Street and 2000 McKinnon Avenue in the Bayview, known as the San Francisco Gateway, as it relates to matters under the jurisdiction of the SFMTA including, but not limited to, the Transportation Exhibit, which includes the Transportation Sustainability Fee, transportation components of the Infrastructure Plan, and



Transportation Demand Management Plan; the transportation related findings from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Environmental Impact Report (EIR); and authorizing the Director of Transportation to execute the SFMTA Consent to the Development Agreement. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

RESOLUTION No. 251007-091

10.4. Authorizing the Director of Transportation to execute a Commercial Lease Agreement between San Francisco C&C, doing business as Mel's Drive-In, as Tenant, and the SFMTA, as Landlord, for the retail space located at 801 Mission Street in the Fifth and Mission Garage, for an initial five-year term that will result in an estimated \$1,908,684 in revenue, and one five-year option to extend the lease. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

**RESOLUTION No. 251007-092** 

10.5. Authorizing the Director of Transportation to execute the Tenth Amendment to SFMTA contract No. 2014-48 with TEGSCO, LLC, for towing and storage services for abandoned and illegally parked vehicles, to extend the term by nine months with up to six additional one-month extensions through June 30, 2027, and to increase the contract amount by \$22.1 million, for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$158.8 million, to fund the extended term, subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors under Charter Section 9.118; and recommending that the Board of Supervisors approve the Tenth Amendment pursuant to that authority. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

**RESOLUTION No. 251007-093** 

No public comment.

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Chen, Felder, Heminger, Henderson, Hinze, and Tarlov

ABSENT - Cajina

## **REGULAR CALENDAR**

11. Authorizing the Director of Transportation to execute a contract with Complete Coach Works to perform mid-life overhaul services to replace and rehabilitate systems for up to 152 standard (40-ft) Hybrid Electric New Flyer coaches and 69 articulated (60-ft) Hybrid



Electric New Flyer coaches, in an amount not to exceed \$95,443,127.86, and for a term not to exceed five years. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

Gary Chang, Senior Program Manager, presented the item.

# PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing neither support nor opposition: Pete Wilson

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Chen, Felder, Heminger, Henderson, Hinze, and Tarlov

ABSENT – Cajina

**RESOLUTION No. 251007-094** 

12. Presentation and discussion regarding a Caltrain Overview. (Explanatory documents include a slide presentation.)

Michelle Bouchard, Caltrain Executive Director, presented the item.

Director Cajina joined the meeting.

## PUBLIC COMMENT:

Barry Taranto suggested a marketing campaign with Caltrain for last mile transportation from train stations using taxis and expressed concern about bathroom access for taxi drivers.

13. Presentation and discussion regarding a Streets Division Quarterly Update. (Explanatory documents include a slide presentation.)

Viktoriya Wise, Director of Streets, presented the item.

## PUBLIC COMMENT:

Barry Taranto was in support for the temporary signage program for smaller venues and expressed concern about the Upfront Fare Program.

Marta Lindsay expressed support for safe streets work including the work for daylighting, speed camera data and the left turn calming evaluation.



Griffin Lee appreciated the data included in the presentation and commented about optimizing yellow zones on Van Ness as well as speed camera enforcement.

14. Discussion and vote pursuant to Administrative Code Section 67.10(d) as to whether to invoke the attorney-client privilege and conduct a closed session conference with legal counsel.

## PUBLIC COMMENT:

Speaker commented about the Anderson case, sharing that he experienced discrimination and was supportive that it was reaching settlement.

On motion to go into Closed Session:

ADOPTED: AYES – Chen, Felder, Heminger, Henderson, Hinze, Cajina, and Tarlov

Chair Tarlov recessed the meeting at 4:10pm and reconvened the meeting at 4:26 to reopen public comment.

RECESS REGULAR MEETING AND CONVENE CLOSED SESSION – Chair Tarlov recessed the meeting at 4:30pm.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

1. Call to Order

Chair Tarlov called the Closed Session to order at 4:31pm.

2. Roll Call

Present: Mike Chen

Alfonso Felder Steve Heminger Dominica Henderson

Fiona Hinze Janet Tarlov Stephanie Cajina

Also present: Kimberly Ackerman, Human Resources Director

Julie Kirschbaum, Director of Transportation Susan Cleveland-Knowles, Deputy City Attorney



Virginia Harmon, Director of Administration
Bree Mawhorter, Chief Financial Officer
Ify Omokaro, Leave Services and Accommodations Manager
Jonathan Rolnick, Deputy City Attorney
Christine Silva, Board Secretary
Judson True, Chief of Staff and Director of External Affairs

3. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) and (d)(2) and Administrative Code Section 67.8 (a)(3) and 67.10(d)(1) and (2), the SFMTA Board of Directors will meet in Closed Session to discuss and take action on attorney-client matters on the following:

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

Existing Litigation:

- A. Gordon Gottsche v. CCSF, SF Superior Ct. Case No. CGC-23-606955 filed 06/07/2023 for \$305,000. Lawsuit involving allegations that SFMTA violated fair employment laws.
- B. Anderson, Sweeney, et al v. CCSF, US District Court Case No. 3:20-cv-01149, filed 2/13/2020. Lawsuit involving allegations that the City discriminated in violation of the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act and the California Military and Veterans Code (no action).
- C. Robinson-Luqman, et al. v. CCSF, SF Superior Court Case No. CGC-20-588012, filed 11/25/2020. Lawsuit involving allegations of racial discrimination (no action).

On motion to approve item 3A:

ADOPTED: AYES – Chen, Felder, Heminger, Henderson, Hinze, Cajina, and Tarlov

RESOLUTION No. 251007-095

Director Felder and Director Heminger left the meeting.

ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION AND RECONVENE OPEN SESSION – Chair Tarlov reconvened the meeting at 6:10pm.

15. Announcement of Closed Session

Board Secretary Silva announced that the Board voted to approve Item 3A and took no action on Items 3B and 3C.

16. Motion to disclose or not disclose the information discussed in Closed Session.



On motion to not disclose:

ADOPTED: AYES – Chen, Henderson, Hinze, Cajina, and Tarlov

ABSENT – Felder and Heminger

**ADJOURN** – Chair Tarlov adjourned the meeting at 6:11pm.

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.

<u>Board of Supervisors review of certain SFMTA Decisions:</u> 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: <a href="https://sfbos.org/sites/default/files/o0127-18.pdf">https://sfbos.org/sites/default/files/o0127-18.pdf</a>.

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