

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

MINUTES

Tuesday, October 1, 2019 Room 400, City Hall 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place

REGULAR MEETING 2 P.M.

SFMTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Malcolm Heinicke, Chair Gwyneth Borden, Vice Chair Cheryl Brinkman Amanda Eaken Steve Heminger Cristina Rubke Art Torres

Tom Maguire
INTERIM DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION

Roberta Boomer SECRETARY

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

Chair Heinicke called the meeting to order at 2:09 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Gwyneth Borden

Cheryl Brinkman Amanda Eaken Malcolm Heinicke Steve Heminger Cristina Rubke

Absent: Art Torres – with notification

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

Board Secretary Boomer announced that the ringing of and use of cell phones, pagers and similar sound-producing electronic devices are prohibited at the meeting. She 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. She 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

No public comment.

On motion to approve the minutes of the September 17, 2019 Regular Meeting: unanimously approved (Torres - absent).

5. Communications

Board Secretary Boomer stated that there would be no closed session at the end of the meeting.

6. Introduction of New or Unfinished Business by Board Members

Director Rubke reported on the Human Rights Commission meeting she attended where transit equity issues were discussed.

Vice Chair Borden requested a briefing regarding how staff considers the SFMTA's equity policy and various institutions such as schools, hospitals, childcare centers, and senior centers when moving a bus stop.

Director Heminger requested a briefing on the Better Market St. project. Chair Heinicke stated that staff is presenting the project on October 15.

7. Director's Report (For discussion only)

- -Special Recognition
- -Update on Vision Zero
- -Ongoing Activities

Tom Maguire, interim Director of Transportation, recognized Derek Kim, former acting Director, Human Resources.

Julie Kirschbaum, Director, Transit, recognized various transit shops for the apprenticeship program.

Mr. Maguire discussed Vision Zero efforts, scooter permit program, the Better Market Street project, the rehabilitation of the Potrero Yard, the National Rock & Roll to School Day, and the Cable Car Bell Ringing Championship.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Herbert Weiner expressed concern about scooters at the sidewalk as the public is potentially at risk. This is a potentially dangerous decision. There needs to be protective measures taken.

Ann Harvey suggested that there's a problem with scooters injuring people Scooter riders need to have liability insurance as part of the rental agreement.

Nico Wright said that people are afraid of being hit. There needs to be street space allocated for scooters as the City shifts modes. An entire ten-foot lane dedicated to all forms of mobility vehicles is needed.

Chair Heinicke requested a report at the next meeting regarding the scooter program.

8. Citizens' Advisory Council Report

No report.

9. Public Comment

Cat Carter expressed appreciation to Director Rubke and Transit Director Kirschbaum for attending the Human Rights Commission meeting. She is excited to get cars off Market Street but is concerned that the transit plan isn't accessible for users of that street. There are not enough stops in the center lane. Transfers will be difficult. This is the densest bicycle corridor in the city. The plan will make it harder to use Muni. She urged the Board to hold off on legislating surface changes.

Herbert Weiner discussed the Mayor's Task Force on Muni that is comprised of everyone who is friendly to Muni. The report will be whitewashed. There's a serious bully culture at the SFMTA with incidents of harassment. He would like to see a report on how it is being addressed. Harassment jeopardizes service delivery and public transportation.

Christopher Peterson discussed the Balboa Reservoir project. The environmental impact report was recently approved. A major theme of the report was about public transportation and the adequacy of service in the area. He urged improvements to the multiple lines that serve that area.

Nico Wright expressed anger and sadness about street safety. He read a letter about a child crossing in a crosswalk being hit by someone who was driving under the influence. The City needs a sea change if Vision Zero goals are going to be achieved.

Anne Harvey expressed upset about how Muni is treating changes to bus stops. The bus stops on Van Ness seem to be moved at will. She requested notification to the public. Stops should be accessible and not require older people to maneuver around construction activity.

Tayler Ahlgren discussed the death of Russell Franklin. He expressed appreciation for the great work that's being done. The SFMTA can move faster. He showed a video of a tow truck parked in the bike lane on 14th street with cyclists forced into the car lane to get around it and showed images of a postal truck and a police car parked illegally.

Aboud Jardaneh discussed Spot Angels, an app to help people find parking. The app is used by thousands of San Franciscans. Over 52% of users want them to allow payment for meters on their app. This can have great benefits to citizens by increasing revenue and decreasing costs. He requested a meeting regarding open payment.

Roan Kattouw discussed enforcement. San Francisco doesn't meaningfully enforce traffic laws. The SFMTA doesn't have resources to find out when and where bike lanes are being blocked,

Zachary Karnazes discussed discrimination and abuse from staff. People with disabilities have to wait for hours to get on a bus. Drivers won't pick them up because it's not convenient or the bus is too full. This is a systemic problem. The ADA hearing process needs to be reworked. He has made repeat requests for information but staff is adversarial and retaliatory. He presented a letter containing several recommendations for the Board to consider.

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. James Greene vs. CCSF, Superior Ct. #CGC17562663 filed on 11/22/17 for \$10,000
 - B. Cynthia Jung Lee vs. CCSF, Superior Ct. #CGC18570499 filed on 10/12/18 for \$16,000
 - C. Lois Bailey vs. CCSF, Superior Ct. #CGC18565109 filed on 3/20/18 for \$20,000
 - D. Shurat Egamov vs. CCSF, Superior Ct. #CGC17559608 filed on 6/19/17 for \$20,000. (Explanatory documents include a resolution.)

RESOLUTION 191001-120

- (10.2) Approving the following traffic modifications:
 - A. ESTABLISH TOW-AWAY, NO STOPPING ANYTIME San Bruno Avenue, west side, from 136 feet to 188 feet south of Silliman Street
 - B. ESTABLISH TOW-AWAY, NO STOPPING EXCEPT PERMITTED CAR SHARE VEHICLES Golden Gate Ave, north side, from 40 to 60 feet west of Polk Street; Brighton Avenue, west side, from 20 to 40 feet south of Ocean Avenue
 - C. ESTABLISH RED ZONES Golden Gate Ave, north side, from Polk Street 20 feet west of Polk Street (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 191001-121

(10.3) Amending the Transportation Code, Division II, to add penalties for expired vehicle registration and failure to replace temporary license plates. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, resolution and financial plan. The proposed action is an Approval Action as defined by the San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 3.)

RESOLUTION 191001-122

No public comment.

On motion to approve the Consent Calendar:

ADOPTED: AYES - Borden, Brinkman, Eaken, Heinicke, Heminger, and Rubke

ABSENT - Torres

REGULAR CALENDAR

11. Dedicating Cable Car No. 17 to the memory of Muni Cable Car Operator Reynaldo V. Morante, who lost his life after an accident on June 11, 2015, while serving the people of San Francisco. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, resolution, and policy.)

Julie Kirschbaum, Director, Transit and Roger Marenco, President, Transport Workers Union Local 250-A, presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support: Roan Kattouw

Chair Heinicke asked that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Mr. Morante.

RESOLUTION 191001-123

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Eaken, Heinicke, Heminger, and Rubke

ABSENT - Torres

12. Presentation and discussion regarding the monthly transit service update. (Explanatory documents include a slide presentation.)

Julie Kirschbaum, Director, Transit, presented the item.

Director Eaken requested preliminary data regarding how people are getting to Chase Center.

Director Heminger requested a slide be added to future reports regarding ridership trends.

Chair Heinicke asked Ms. Kirschbaum to consider the chokepoint at Van Ness Station.

13. Amending Transportation Code Division II to extend an existing transit-only lane on Fourth Street from Howard to Folsom streets and eliminate a time-limited transit-only lane between Howard and Clementina streets; make environmental review findings and approve various parking modifications along Fourth Street between Market and Folsom streets and on an adjoining segment of Jessie Street as part of the Fourth Street Transit Improvement Project as follows:

- A. RESCIND WHITE PASSENGER LOADING ZONE 7 AM TO 10 PM DAILY and ESTABLISH TOW-AWAY, NO STOPPING ANYTIME 4th Street, west side, from 60 feet to 120 feet north of Mission Street
- B. RESCIND TOW AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME and ESTABLISH WHITE PASSENGER LOADING ZONE AT ALL TIMES 4th Street, east side, from Mission Street to Minna Street
- C. RESCIND TOW AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME and ESTABLISH BUS ZONE 4th Street, west side, from Clementina Street to Folsom Street
- D. RESCIND TOW AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME and ESTABLISH NO PARKING, TAXI ZONE AT ALL TIMES 4th St., west side, from 20 feet to 145 feet south of Minna St.
- E. RESCIND TOW AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME 4th Street, east side, from 10 feet to 65 feet south of the northern crosswalk at Minna Street
- F. RESCIND WHITE PASSENGER LOADING ZONE AT ALL TIMES 4th Street, east side, from 65 feet to 180 feet south of the northern crosswalk at Minna Street
- G. ESTABLISH YELLOW METERED LOADING ZONE, 7 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY 4th Street, east side, from 10 feet to 170 feet south of the northern crosswalk at Minna Street
- H. ESTABLISH TOW-AWAY, NO STOPPING ANYTIME 4th Street, east side, from 170 feet to 180 feet south of the northern crosswalk at Minna Street
- I. RESCIND TOW AWAY NO PARKING DAILY FROM 7 AM TO 10 AM Jessie Street, south side, from 4 feet to 84 feet east of Jessie East Street
- J. ESTABLISH YELLOW METERED LOADING ZONE, 7 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY Jessie Street, south side, from 4 feet to 44 feet east of Jessie East St.
- K. ESTABLISH GREEN METERED PARKING, 15-MINUTE TIME LIMIT, 7 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY Jessie Street, south side, from 57 feet to 75 feet west of 4th Street
- L. RESCIND GREEN METERED PARKING, 15-MINUTE TIME LIMIT, 7 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY;
 ESTABLISH WHITE PASSENGER LOADING ZONE, 7 AM TO 10 PM DAILY 4th Street, west side, from 2 feet to 38 feet south of Jessie Street
- M. RESCIND BUS ZONE 4th Street, west side, from Howard Street to 100 feet southerly
- N. ESTABLISH WHITE PASSENGER LOADING ZONE, 7 AM TO 10 PM DAILY 4th Street, west side, from 28 feet to 100 feet south of Howard Street
- O. ESTABLISH TOW-AWAY, NO PARKING 4th Street, west side, from Howard Street to 28 feet southerly. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, environmental review documents and a resolution.)

Steve Boland, Project Manager, Fourth Street Improvement Project, presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support: Cat Carter, Roan Kattouw and Nico Wright

Members of the public expressing opposition: Herbert Weiner

The Board asked staff to look at ways to prioritize other modes of transit including space for pedestrians, cyclists and shared mobility users on that street.

RESOLUTION 191001-124

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Eaken, Heinicke, Heminger, and Rubke

ABSENT - Torres

14. Consenting to the proposed Development Agreement between the City and County of San Francisco and the Master Developer, Laurel Heights Partners, for the mixed-use development at 3333 California Street, as the Development Agreement relates to matters under the jurisdiction of the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency; including requiring the Developer to provide a higher level of Transportation Demand Management improvements and the reconfiguration of existing traffic slip lanes; executing the SFMTA Consent to the Development Agreement; making environmental review findings; and approving parking and traffic modifications related to the project as follows:

- A. ESTABLISH TOW AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME: Presidio Avenue, west side, from Pine Street to 40 feet northerly.
- B. ESTABLISH TOW AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME: Masonic Avenue, west side, from intersection of Presidio Avenue to 60 feet southerly.
- C. ESTABLISH TOW AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME: Masonic Avenue, west side, from Euclid Avenue to 100 feet northerly.
- D. ESTABLISH TOW AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME: Euclid Avenue, north side, from Masonic Avenue to 40 feet westerly.
- E. ESTABLISH TOW AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME: Euclid Avenue, north side, from Laurel Street to 40 feet easterly.
- F. ESTABLISH TOW AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME: Laurel Street, east side, from Euclid Avenue to 40 feet northerly.
- G. ESTABLISH TOW AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME: Laurel Street, east side, from intersection of Mayfair Drive to 20 feet southerly.
- H. ESTABLISH TOW AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME: Laurel Street, east side, from intersection of Mayfair Drive to 20 feet northerly.
- I. ESTABLISH TOW AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME: California Street, south side, from Walnut Street to 40 feet westerly.
- J. ESTABLISH TOW AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME: California Street, south side, from Walnut Street to 40 feet easterly.
- K. ESTABLISH CROSSWALK: Pine Street, north side, crossing Presidio Avenue. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, resolution, environmental review documents and amendment.)

Carli Paine, Manager, Land Use Development and Transportation Integration, and Iowayna Pena, Project Manager, Joint Development, Office of Economic and Workforce Development, presented the item.

Ms. Paine asked the Board to amend the resolution to add the following resolved clause: RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board of Directors approves the various parking and traffic modifications as set forth in Items A-K above.

Director Eaken left the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support: Roan Kattouw, and Darren Newell

Members of the public expressing opposition: Bill Cutler, Kathy Devincenzi, Anne Harvey, Herbert Weiner, and Victoria Underwood

Chair Heinicke asked staff to re-evaluate safety at the intersection of Pine and Presidio.

On motion to amend the resolution to add approval of the parking and traffic modifications associated with the project:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Heinicke, Heminger, and Rubke

ABSENT - Eaken and Torres

RESOLUTION 191001-125

On motion to approve as amended:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Brinkman, Heinicke, Heminger, and Rubke

ABSENT - Eaken and Torres

15. Presentation and discussion regarding an update on Caltrans's U.S. 101 Deck Replacement Project. (Explanatory documents include a slide presentation.).

Tony Tavares, Director, Caltrans Bay Area, presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Roan Kattouw pointed out that there are more plans than what was in the presentation for how local traffic would be handled. The 8 Bayshore bus runs on that part of the freeway. Those buses are packed.

Vice Chair Borden requested a presentation to the Board about additional mitigation measures, community outreach, and the timeline.

RECESS REGULAR MEETING AND CONVENE CLOSED SESSION

The closed session scheduled for the meeting was cancelled.

ADJOURN - The meeting was adjourned at 5:07 p.m. in memory of Reynaldo Morante.

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

R. Boomer

Roberta Boomer 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: https://sfbos.org/sites/default/files/o0127-18.pdf.

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