

SAN FRANCISCO
MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. 250415-035

WHEREAS, The SFMTA is facing a \$50 million shortfall in the agency's Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 budget. This shortfall is due to parking revenue, transit revenue, and General Fund reimbursements being lower than expected, which are largely due to the lasting economic impact of the pandemic; and,

WHEREAS, To close the \$50 million gap, the SFMTA identified \$35 million of solutions with smaller trade-offs, about half of which will come from optimizing parking programs; and,

WHEREAS, On March 18, 2025, by majority vote, the SFMTA Board gave direction to close the remaining \$15 million shortfall with \$7.8 million in cuts to agency programs and projects and \$7.2 million in proposed cuts to Muni transit service, expected to be implemented June 21, 2025, instead of seeking other sources, such as tapping into the agency's reserves; and,

WHEREAS, The SFMTA is committed to making San Francisco a Transit-First City; and,

WHEREAS, Informed by feedback from the public and the SFMTA Board on what service cuts would have the least negative impacts, these service cuts include shortening three lines during all or part of the day (5 Fulton, 9 San Bruno and 31 Balboa) and consolidating two lines (6 Haight-Parnassus and 21 Hayes) into one line; and,

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the requirements contained in the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) Circular 4702.1B, "Title VI Requirements and Guidelines for Federal Transit Administration Recipients," a transit service equity analysis is required for Muni service adjustments that meet the SFMTA's definition of a major service change and are in effect for longer than 12 months; and,

WHEREAS, The only service change of the proposed service cuts expected to be implemented June 21, 2025 that meets the agency's definition of a major service change is the route consolidation of the 6 Haight-Parnassus and 21 Hayes.; and,

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the requirements contained in FTA Circular 4702.1B, the SFMTA analyzed the impacts of the major service changes on communities of color and customers from low-income households and determined that the major service changes do not result in a disparate impact on communities or color or a disproportionate burden on low-income communities under Title VI; and,

WHEREAS, The public feedback that was collected through an expansive multilingual outreach campaign following the February 4, 2025 SFMTA Board meeting informed the reduced service cuts plan that is being analyzed in this Title VI service equity analysis; and,

WHEREAS, The proposed consolidation of the 6 Haight-Parnassus and 21 Hayes, which includes a corresponding Title VI Service Equity Analysis, is subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). CEQA provides a categorical exemption from environmental review for existing facilities, including existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, bicycle

and pedestrian trails, and similar facilities as defined in Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15301; and,

WHEREAS, On April 9, 2025, the SFMTA, under authority delegated by the Planning Department, determined (Case Number 2025-002948ENV) that the proposed route consolidation of the 6 Haight-Parnassus and 21 Hayes, which includes a corresponding Title VI Service Equity Analysis, and the Muni transit service cuts expected to be implemented June 21, 2025 are categorically exempt from CEQA as defined in Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15301; and,

WHEREAS, A copy of the CEQA determination is on file with the Secretary to the SFMTA Board of Directors, and may be found in the records of the Planning Department by Case Number at <https://sfplanninggis.org/pim/> or 49 South Van Ness Avenue, Suite 1400 in San Francisco, and is incorporated herein by reference; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors approves the SFMTA's Title VI Service Equity Analysis of proposed Muni service cuts, expected to be implemented June 21, 2025, which includes analysis of the route consolidation of the 6 Haight-Parnassus and 21 Hayes lines and finds that the route consolidation does not result in a disparate impact on communities of color or a disproportionate burden on low-income communities; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors approves the route consolidation of the 6 Haight-Parnassus and 21 Hayes.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of April 15, 2025.



Secretary to the Board of Directors
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency