SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. 220621-056

WHEREAS, In 2012, the California State Legislature implemented the Cap-and-Trade Program, which provides funding to the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to establish clean air programs using proceeds from CARB's auctions of green house gas emission allowances; and

WHEREAS, In 2020, with funds from the Cap-and-Trade Program, CARB implemented the Sustainable Transportation Equity Project (STEP) as a pilot program to improve transportation equity throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, In February 2022, the SFMTA applied for and was awarded \$10,569,100 in STEP funds for the Our Shuttle: Bayview-Hunters Point Equitable Mobility Project (Bayview Community Shuttle Program or Project); and

WHEREAS, The Project has been recommended for full funding by CARB, which will be received in two increments contingent on the amount of proceeds from the CARB's auctions of green house gas emission allowances; and

WHEREAS, The Project's implementation schedule aligns with the award schedule for STEP funding; and

WHEREAS, The CARB requires that SFMTA obtain approval from the SFMTA Board before signing the Grant Agreement; and

WHEREAS, The proposed Bayview Community Shuttle Program is subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); CEQA provides an exemption from environmental review under California Public Resources Code Sections 21080(b)(8) for a project for the institution or increase of passenger or commuter services on rail or highway rights-of-way already in use, including modernization of existing stations and parking facilities; for purposes of this paragraph, "highway" shall have the same meaning as defined in Section 360 of the Vehicle Code, which includes "streets"; and

WHEREAS, On April 20, 2022, the SFMTA, under authority delegated by the Planning Department, determined (Case Number 2022-002952ENV) that the proposed Bayview Community Shuttle Program is statutorily exempt from the CEQAunder California Public Resources Code Sections 21080(b)(8); and

WHEREAS, The proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by the S. F. Administrative Code Chapter 31; and

WHEREAS, The SFMTA Board finds that the proposed Bayview Community Shuttle Program is for the purpose of the institution or increase of passenger or commuter services on rail or highway rights-of-way already in use, including modernization of existing stations and parking facilities; for purposes of this paragraph, "highway" shall have the same meaning as defined in Section 360 of the Vehicle Code, which includes "streets"; 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 <u>https://sfplanninggis.org/pim/</u> or 49 South Van Ness Avenue, Suite 1400 in San Francisco, and are incorporated herein by reference; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the SFMTA Board approves the Bayview Community Shuttle Program or Project to participate in the Sustainable Transportation Equity Project, which is administered by the California Air Resources Board; authorizes the Director of Transportation, or his designee, to execute the STEP Grant Agreement, including any amendments to such agreement, comply with the STEP requirements, and provide committed resource contributions to the Project.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency Board of Directors at its meeting of June 21, 2022.

Caroline Celaya

Secretary to the Board of Directors San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency