MEETING MINUTES • Meeting Date: Tuesday, April 2, 2024

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
Amanda Eaken, Chair
Stephanie Cajina, Vice Chair
Steve Heminger
Dominica Henderson
Fiona Hinze
Lydia So
Janet Tarlov

DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION
Jeffrey Tumlin

BOARD SECRETARY
Christine Silva
ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

Chair Eaken called the meeting to order at 1:06pm.

2. Roll Call

Present:  Steve Heminger  
Fiona Hinze  
Lydia So  
Janet Tarlov  
Stephanie Cajina  
Amanda Eaken

Absent: Dominica Henderson (with notification)

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

Board Secretary Silva made the announcement.

4. Approval of Minutes

Board Secretary Silva shared a clarification from Herbert Weiner for his comment on page 7, Item 12, specifying that he proposed management salaries over $100,000 be frozen.

No public comment.

On motion to approve the minutes of the March 5, 2024, Regular Meeting with correction:

ADOPTED: AYES – Heminger, Hinze, So, Tarlov, Cajina, and Eaken  
ABSENT – Henderson

5. Communications

None.

6. Introduction of New or Unfinished Business by Board Members

Chair Eaken shared about the recently released Mayor’s Transportation Vision, attending a 10-year Vision Zero event, and the 3rd Street Quick-Build Ribbon Cutting.

No public comment.
7. Director’s Report (For discussion only)

- Vision Zero Update
- Transit and Paratransit Updates
- Streets Updates
- Scooter Permit Applications
- Ongoing Activities

Director Tumlin provided an update on Vision Zero, Fix-It Week update, a new paratransit rider guide, the 3rd Street Quick-Build Ribbon Cutting event, scooter permit application window opening, Bruce Springsteen signage, and recent cable car gripman acknowledgement.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Richard Rothman expressed concern about Vision Zero and commented on safety at 37th Avenue and Fulton Street.

Tom Radulovich shared about the Mayor’s press event and expressed concern about Public Works and the Public Utilities Commission needing to be partners in streets safety work.

Jodie Mederios commented about the Vision Zero event and encouraged the SFMTA to work together.

Michael Adams expressed concern about the Frida Kahlo Way Quick-Build Project.

Luke Bornheimer expressed concern about Vision Zero and a need for immediate action, commenting about mode shift and shifting away from cars.

Herbert Weiner expressed appreciation for transit service and concern about bikes and scooters on sidewalks, urging collaboration with the police department.


None.

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 Rothman suggested that the SFMTA take over street repair projects from Public Works and shared that blue zones on McAllister and Franklin streets have not been installed.

Tom Radulovich commented on the SFMTA as an enterprise department, questioning its value.

Marcelo Fonseca expressed concern about appeals process for taxi drivers and enforcing on medallion holders who cannot drive.

Barnett Trzcinski suggested a policy for a minimum mode share requirement across corridors for quick build projects and improving community outreach processes to be representative and equitable.

Carl Macmurdo expressed concern for taxi drivers and urged the Board to return money to medallion holders.

Luke Bornheimer thanked staff for No Turn on Red at 200 intersections downtown and urged the Board to approve a citywide policy.

Speaker expressed frustration about a recent citation and not receiving mailed notice.

Herbert Weiner expressed concern about representation of motorists and cyclists and the need to grow the fleet to provide more service.

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. Approving various routine parking and traffic modifications and making environmental review findings: (The Planning Department has found that Items A-F are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act [CEQA]. For these parking and traffic modifications that received a categorical exemption, the proposed action
is the Approval Action as defined by Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code. Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

A. ESTABLISH – RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA U (Eligibility only, no signs) – 1375 Harrison Street.
B. ESTABLISH – RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA C (Eligibility only, no signs) – 1000-1014 Larkin Street.
C. ESTABLISH – RED ZONE – Oxford Street, west side, from 22 feet to 32 feet north of Wayland Street.
D. ESTABLISH – TOW-AWAY, NO STOPPING ANY TIME – Wayland Street, south side, from Oxford Street east property line extension to 104 feet northwesterly.
E. ESTABLISH – TOW-AWAY, NO STOPPING ANY TIME – ESTABLISH – SIDEWALK WIDENING, Wayland Street, south side, from Yale Street to 23 feet easterly, Yale Street, east side, from Wayland Street to 22 feet southerly.
F. ESTABLISH – WHITE ZONE, PASSENGER LOADING ONLY, 5-MINUTE TIME LIMIT, AT ALL TIMES, EVERYDAY, ACCESSIBLE SYMBOL – Wayland Street, south side, from 71 feet to 93 feet east of Yale Street Wayland Street, south side, from 2 feet to 24 feet east of Princeton Street.

RESOLUTION No. 240402-030

10.2. Authorizing the Director of Transportation to execute the second amendment to the agreement between the SFMTA and Friends of the Cable Car Museum (FCCM) for management and operation of the Cable Car Museum for an additional five-year term, effective July 1, 2024. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

RESOLUTION No. 240402-031

10.3. Authorizing the Director of Transportation to execute Contract No. 2024-07-FTA, Task Order Agreement between City and County of San Francisco and Trapeze Software Group, Inc. for Scheduling Software and Related Professional Services, to procure as-needed proprietary Scheduling System software and related services, for a total contract amount not to exceed $9 million for a term of nine years; and authorizing the Director of Transportation approve task orders under that agreement for an amount not to exceed $1 million per task order. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

RESOLUTION No. 240402-032

10.4. Authorizing the Director of Transportation to accept $11,341,100 from the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF) as the initial disbursement of its
contribution to fund N-Judah or other Muni line improvements, services, or facilities serving the campus community (Transportation Contribution), as agreed in the 2021 Memorandum of Understanding between UCSF and the City and County of San Francisco for the Comprehensive Parnassus Heights Plan; and authorizing the Director of Transportation to accept disbursements of the Transportation Contribution going forward. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

RESOLUTION No. 240402-033

10.5. Adopting a resolution summarizing the SFMTA Board of Directors’ feedback, including comments by the public, and transmitting the resolution to the United States Army Corps of Engineer (USACE) and the Port of San Francisco on the San Francisco Waterfront Coastal Flood Study, Draft Integrated Feasibility Report and Environmental Impact Statement. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

Item 10.5 was removed from the Consent Calendar and heard separately.

Timothy Doherty, Policy and Long-Range Planning Manager, presented the item.

No public comment.

On motion to amend the resolution, adding to the 13th Whereas clause: “WHEREAS, A significant portion of the streets along the City’s waterfront are currently on the High Injury Network, the 12% of streets where 68% of fatalities and serious injuries occur, and San Francisco adopted a Vision Zero goal in 2014 to eliminate all serious injuries and fatalities by 2024…”, to the first bullet of the 2nd Resolve clause: “including dedicated infrastructure for people of all ages and abilities to take transit, walk, bike and use mobility devices safely and comfortably, without fear of harm. The waterfront will include…”, to the third bullet of the 2nd Resolve clause: “Latinx and Latino” and approve as amended:

ADOPTED: AYES – Heminger, Hinze, So, Tarlov, Cajina, and Eaken
ABSENT – Henderson

RESOLUTION No. 240402-034

No public comment (Item 10.5 removed).

On motion to approve the Consent Calendar (Item 10.5 removed):
REGULAR CALENDAR

11. Presentation and discussion on the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 and Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Operating and Capital Budget including the Muni 2024 Network Title VI Service Equity Analysis. (Explanatory documents include a slide presentation.)

Bree Mawhorter, Chief Financial Officer, presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:
Marcelo Fonseca expressed concern about the taxi system and fees, sharing that this was not the time to restart fees on a struggling industry.

Carl Macmurdo commented about ability to do revenue bonds and thanked the SFMTA for waiving taxi fees.

Mark Gruberg urged the Board to waive taxi fees for all drivers, sharing that the taxi system is broken.

Speaker shared that agency should be equally increasing fees to cars, sharing that any increase to Clipper cost would reduce use.

Cyrus Hall commented on focusing on equity between drivers and riders and expressed support for budget option 6.

Dylan Fabris expressed concern about the budget, sharing that the SFMTA should pass a budget that reflects its values, and urged the Board to support budget option 6.

Jaime Viloria expressed concern about raising fares, shared statistics about the Tenderloin community and concern that car users are not taking more of the burden in the budget.

Tom Radulovich presented revenue options including implementing charging for meters on evenings and Sundays, matching the taxi proposals for options 6 and 7, lowering the parking fines as much as possible.

12. 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.

No public comment.
On motion to go into Closed Session:

ADOPTED: AYES – Heminger, Hinze, So, Tarlov, Cajina, and Eaken
ABSENT – Henderson

RECESS REGULAR MEETING AND CONVENE CLOSED SESSION – Chair Eaken recessed the meeting at 4:49pm.

CLOSED SESSION
1. Call to Order

Chair Eaken called the Closed Session to order at 5:03pm.

2. Roll Call

Present: Steve Heminger
Fiona Hinze
Lydia So
Janet Tarlov
Amanda Eaken

Absent: Dominica Henderson (with notification)
Stephanie Cajina (at Roll Call)

Also present: Susan Cleveland-Knowles, Deputy City Attorney
Ted Graff, Acting Director of Streets
Christine Silva, Board Secretary
Wayne Snodgrass, Deputy City Attorney
Jeff Tumlin, Director of Transportation

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. Coalition on Homelessness v. SFMTA et al., Superior Ct. Case No. CPF-18-516456 filed 12/19/18 for $750,000 (attorney’s fees under California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1021.5 in matter relating to towing practices). (Explanatory documents include a resolution.)
Director Cajina joined the Closed Session.

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Hinze, So, Tarlov, Cajina and Eaken
NAYES - Heminger
ABSENT – Henderson

RESOLUTION No. 240402-035

ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION AND RECONVENE OPEN SESSION – Chair Eaken adjourned the Closed Session and reconvened the meeting at 5:17pm.

13. Announcement of Closed Session

Board Secretary Silva announced that the Board met in closed session to discuss Item 3 and voted to settle the matter.

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

ADOPTED: AYES – Heminger, Hinze, So, Tarlov, Cajina, and Eaken
ABSENT – Henderson

The Board resumed discussion of Item 11.

ADJOURN – Chair Eaken adjourned the meeting at 6:00pm.

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.

Board of Supervisors review of certain SFMTA Decisions: 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:

The Ethics Commission of the City and County of San Francisco has asked us to remind individuals
and entities that influence or attempt to influence local legislative or administrative action may
be required by the San Francisco Lobbyist Ordinance [S.F. Campaign and Governmental Conduct
Code section 2.100 et seq.] to register and report lobbying activity. For more information about
the Lobbyist Ordinance, please contact the Ethics Commission at 415.581.2300; fax:
415.581.2317; 25 Van Ness Avenue, Suite 220, SF, CA 94102-6027 or the website:
https://sfethics.org/.

If you wish to contact the Board regarding an item that is expected to be on an agenda, please
email the Board at MTABoard@sfmta.com. Please know that the Board appreciates receiving
such communication by 12pm the day before the meeting so they have time to review and
consider the comments prior to the meeting.

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS UNDER THE SUNSHINE ORDINANCE
Government's duty is to serve the public, reaching its decision in full view of the public.
Commissions, boards, councils and other agencies of the City and County exist to conduct the
people's business. This ordinance assures that deliberations are conducted before the people and
that City operations are open to the people's review. For more information on your rights under
the Sunshine Ordinance or to report a violation of the ordinance, contact Administrator, by mail
to Sunshine Ordinance Task Force, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco CA
94102-4689; by phone at 415.554.7724; by fax at 415.554.7854; or by email at sotf@sfgov.org.

Copies of the Sunshine Ordinance can be obtained from the Clerk of the Sunshine Task Force,
the San Francisco Public Library and on the City’s website at https://sfgov.org/sunshine/.