

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

MEETING MINUTES • Meeting Date: Tuesday, September 16, 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



#### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Call to Order

Chair Tarlov called the meeting to order at 1:09pm.

2. Roll Call

Present: Mike Chen

Alfonso Felder Steve Heminger Fiona Hinze Stephanie Cajina Janet Tarlov

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
  - September 2, 2025, Regular Meeting

No public comment.

On motion to approve the minutes:

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

ABSENT – Henderson

5. Communications

None.

- 6. Director's Report (For discussion only)
  - State Legislative Update
  - Streets and Transit Updates
  - Events & Ongoing Activities



Viktoriya Wise, Director of Streets, and Judson True, Chief of Staff and Director of External Affairs, presented the report. Director True provided an update on state transportation funding. Director Wise then shared about the Vision Zero Committee and Supervisor Melgar's Safe Streets Act, the Don't be a Dodger fare compliance campaign, and recent and upcoming events including Chinatown Night Out, Fiesta de las Americas, and Muni Heritage Weekend.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

Speaker expressed concern about fare enforcement.

Abram Blackwood commented about fare payment and expressed concern about enforcement.

Griffin Lee shared amendments to the proposed Safe Streets Act.

Marta expressed opposition to the proposed amendments and support for the Safe Streets Act.

Herbert Weiner expressed concern about Vision Zero without police and enforcement support.

Director Heminger requested a high-speed rail update to the Board.

Chair Tarlov requested more information about accountability measures in the legislation.

# 7. Citizens' Advisory Council Report

No report.

# 8. New or Unfinished Business by Board Members

Chair Tarlov shared that her and Director Cajina submitted a letter to the Commission Streamlining Task Force expressing support for the Board's independence as a body and support for retaining the Citizens' Advisory Council.

Director Chen shared that he also submitted comment to the task force.

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.

Joel Kamisher commented on the Crossing Guard Program and expressed concern about staffing and shortages.

Aris Aguilar shared about living in a recreational vehicle (RV) and urged the Board to reconsider the permit program.

Jose Ortiz expressed concern about 2-hour parking of RVs, sharing that more time is needed.

Deanna Benavidez expressed concern about the 2-hour parking limitations for RVs, sharing that it makes it difficult to work with the limit in place.

Carlos shared that living in an RV was the solution for unaffordable housing and expressed concern about permits and parking restrictions.

Lucas Illa expressed concern about vehicular homelessness, towing of RVs, and the lack of housing options.

Flo Kelly expressed concern on behalf of those living in RVs and urged the Board to come together and make helpful decisions.

Armando Martinez shared that the reality is there aren't enough shelter beds and urged the Board to return to safe parking sites.

Evy Posamentier expressed concern about 2-hour RV parking limit and urged the Board to reconsider the RV parking policies.

Richard Johnson urged the SFMTA to not continue the Hayes Street roadway closure, expressing concern about a lack of oversight and enforcement.

Dante Vickers expressed concern about future layoffs and members not being given an opportunity to discuss and ask questions.

Shiba expressed concern about the RV program, sharing that the original intent of providing housing solutions is not being met.

Andres Salerno expressed concern about the RV policy and urged the agency to consider changes.



Amanda Byrne expressed opposition to the RV policy and shared that amendments be made so that people are not displaced.

Susan Englander expressed concern about the RV policy and the need for a long-term solution to homelessness.

Ocean Blue Coast urged the board to consider common sense amendments to the RV permit program.

Paloma Tracy expressed support for RV permit program amendments.

Eleana Binder shared proposed amendments to the RV permit program and requested they be adopted by the Board.

Zach shared about the RV permit process and expressed concern about the inability to get housing and shelter.

Griffin Lee proposed shortening yellow curb hours and support for Public Works and Police Department coordination for safe and clean bus shelters.

Joyce Calagos expressed concern about bus crowding and the need for more buses.

Herbert Weiner expressed concern for those that drive and whether the SFMTA has benefited them in any way.

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 RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA S, Valencia Street, west side, between 18th Street and 19th Street.
- B. ESTABLISH RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA S, Brady Street, both sides, between Market Street and Colton Street.
- C. ESTABLISH RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA H, ESTABLISH 2-HOUR PARKING, MON-FRI FROM 8AM TO 6PM, EXCEPT FOR VEHICLES WITH AREA H PERMITS, San Leandro Way, east side, from Ocean Avenue to 260 feet northerly.

## **RESOLUTION No. 250916-084**

10.2. Authorizing the SFMTA, through its Director of Transportation (or her designee), to accept and expend up to \$258,588 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 3 funds for the 13th Street Safety Project as set forth in the TDA Article 3 Project Application Form that is submitted to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC). (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

## **RESOLUTION No. 250916-085**

10.3. Approving a Roadway Shared Spaces street closure application for Harrison Street between 14th and 15th streets, Alameda Street between Harrison Street and Treat Avenue, Treat Avenue between Division Street/Florida Street and Alameda Street, Alabama Street between Treat Avenue and 15th Street, 15th Street between Harrison and Alabama streets, and Treat Avenue between Alabama Street and 16th Street/Harrison Street, Saturday, October 4, 2025, through Saturday, September 5, 2026, 8 am to 8 pm, every first Saturday of each month; and making environmental review findings. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

# **RESOLUTION No. 250916-086**

10.4. Amending the Transportation Code, Division II, Section 702 to reduce the speed limit on eight safety corridors, including from 25 miles per hour to 20 miles per hour on two street segments: 4th Street between 16th Street and Channel Street, and 4th Street between King Street and Market Street; reduce the speed limit from 30 miles per hour to 25 miles per hour on three street segments: 3rd Street between Channel Street and Evans Avenue, Market Street Between Douglass Street and Castro Street, and Point Lobos Avenue between 42nd Ave and Great Highway;



reduce the speed limit from 35 miles per hour to 30 miles per hour on two street segments: Great Highway between Lincoln Way and Point Lobos Avenue, and Woodside Avenue between Laguna Honda Boulevard and Portola Drive; and reducing an unpublished 30 miles per hour speed limit to 25 miles per hour on Persia Avenue between Ocean Avenue and Mansell Street. (The SFMTA has determined that the proposed speed limit modifications are categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act [CEQA]. The proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by SF Administrative Code Chapter 31. Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

RESOLUTION No. 250916-087

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support: Malena Cabada (10.4)

On motion to approve:

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

ABSENT – Henderson

#### **REGULAR CALENDAR**

- 11. Amending Transportation Code, Division II, Section 801, to revise parking restrictions on Larkin Street and McAllister Street; and approving various traffic and parking modifications to improve pedestrian safety as part of the Larkin Street Quick-Build Project: (The SF Department has determined that the project is statutorily exempted from the California Environmental Quality Act [CEQA]. The proposed action is the Approval Action as defined by the SF Administrative Code Chapter 31. Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)
  - A. ESTABLISH LEFT LANE MUST TURN LEFT, Larkin Street, northbound at Turk Street; Larkin Street, northbound at Eddy Street; Larkin Street, northbound at Geary Street.
  - B. RESCIND LEFT LANE MUST TURN LEFT, Larkin Street, northbound at Sutter Street.
  - C. RESCIND RIGHT LANE MUST TURN RIGHT EXCEPT BUSES AND TAXIS, Larkin Street, northbound at O'Farrell Street.
  - D. ESTABLISH BUS ZONE, Larkin Street, east side, from McAllister Street to 91 feet southerly (extends existing 71-foot zone by 20 feet); Larkin Street, east side, from Golden Gate Avenue to 83 feet northerly (extends existing 60-foot zone by 23 feet); Larkin Street, east side, from Eddy Street to 98 feet southerly (extends existing 74-foot zone by 24 feet); Larkin Street, east side, from O'Farrell Street to 105 feet southerly (extends existing 70-foot zone by 35 feet).



- E. ESTABLISH BLUE ZONE, Larkin Street, east side, from 20 feet to 42 feet north of Geary Street (metered space #904); Larkin Street, west side, from 8 feet to 26 feet north of Post Street (metered space #1001); McAllister Street, north side, from 20 feet to 40 feet east of Polk Street (metered space #60-G); Hyde Street, west side, from 10 feet to 32 feet south of Turk Street (metered space #131); Hyde Street, west side, from 10 feet to 31 feet south of Ellis Street (metered space #329); Willow Street, south side, from 5 feet to 28 feet west of Larkin Street; Larkin Street, west side, from 21 feet to 41 feet north of O'Farrell Street (metered space #803); Sutter Street, south side, from 22 feet to 44 feet east of Polk Street (metered space #1153-G); Hyde Street, west side, from 20 feet to 40 feet south of Sutter Street (in RPP zone); Larkin Street, west side, from 8 feet to 30 feet north of Geary Street (metered space #901); Larkin Street, west side, from Cedar Street to 24' northerly (metered space #919); Hayes Street, south side, from 28 feet to 47 feet east of Polk Street (metered space #33).
- F. ESTABLISH PASSENGER LOADING ZONE, AT ALL TIMES, MONDAY THROUGH TUESDAY AND THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY, Larkin Street, east side, from 168 feet to 213 feet south of McAllister Street (removes metered spaces #210 and #212-G).
- G. ESTABLISH PASSENGER LOADING ZONE, AT ALL TIMES, DAILY, Larkin Street, east side, from 146 feet to 168 feet south of McAllister Street (removes metered space #214-G).
- H. RESCIND PASSENGER LOADING ZONE, AT ALL TIMES, DAILY, Larkin Street, east side, from 71 feet to 91 feet south of McAllister Street.
- I. ESTABLISH GENERAL LOADING ZONE, 5 MINUTE TIME LIMIT, 7 AM TO 10 PM, DAILY, Larkin Street, east side, from 83 feet to 105 feet north of Golden Gate Avenue (metered space #410); Larkin Street, east side, from 98 feet to 116 feet south of Eddy Street (metered space #518); Larkin Street, west side, from 5 feet to 23 feet north of Willow Street (metered space #619); Larkin Street, west side, from Myrtle Street to 18 feet northerly (metered space #819).
- J. ESTABLISH METERED YELLOW ZONE, COMMERCIAL LOADING, 7 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY, Larkin Street, east side, from 112 feet to 138 feet south of Turk Street (metered space #418).
- K. RESCIND METERED YELLOW ZONE, COMMERCIAL LOADING, 7 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY, Larkin Street, west side, from 20 feet to 39 feet south of O'Farrell Street (metered space #727); Larkin Street, east side, from 60 feet to 83 feet north of Golden Gate Avenue (metered space #408); Larkin Street, east side, from 190 feet to 213 feet south of McAllister Street (metered space #210); Sutter Street, south side, from 119 feet to 141 feet east of Polk Street (metered space #1143).



- L. ESTABLISH METERED GREEN ZONE, 15 MINUTE TIME LIMIT, 9 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY, Larkin Street, west side, from 43 feet to 63 feet north of Willow Street (metered space #623).
- M. RESCIND METERED GREEN ZONE, 30 MINUTE TIME LIMIT, 7 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY, Larkin Street, east side, from 146 to 190 feet south of McAllister Street (metered spaces #212-G and #214-G); Larkin Street, west side, from 5 to 23 feet north of Willow Street (metered space #619-G).
- N. ESTABLISH METERED GREEN ZONE, 15 MINUTE TIME LIMIT, 9 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY, Sutter Street, south side, from 44 feet to 69 feet east of Polk Street (metered space #1149).
- O. ESTABLISH GREEN ZONE, SHORT-TERM PARKING, 10-MINUTE LIMIT, 9 AM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY, TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING ALL OTHER TIMES, Willow Street, south side, from 28 feet to 70 feet west of Larkin Street.
- P. RESCIND TOW-AWAY, NO STOPPING ANY TIME, Willow Street, south side, from 47 feet to 70 feet west of Larkin Street.
- Q. RESCIND FARMERS MARKET PERMIT PARKING ONLY, 3 AM TO 6 PM, WEDNESDAY AND SUNDAY, VEHICLES WITH PERMITS EXEMPT FROM METERS ON WEDNESDAY AND SUNDAY, Larkin Street, east side, from 146 feet to 168 feet south of McAllister Street (metered space #214-G).
- R. ESTABLISH FARMERS MARKET PERMIT PARKING ONLY, 3 AM TO 6 PM, WEDNESDAY AND SUNDAY, VEHICLES WITH PERMITS EXEMPT FROM METERS ON WEDNESDAY AND SUNDAY, McAllister Street, south side, from 12 feet to 36 feet west of Larkin Street.

Paul Stanis, Engineer – Livable Streets, and Elizabeth Chen, Engineer – Livable Streets, to present.

## PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support: Malena Cabada and Griffin Lee

On motion to approve:

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

ABSENT - Henderson

RESOLUTION No. 250916-088

12. Presentation and discussion regarding a Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Annual Review. (Explanatory documents include a slide presentation.)



Bree Mawhorter, Chief Financial Officer, presented the item.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

Herbert Weiner inquired about resuming service in light of the budget and expressed support for an increase in bus service.

RECESS REGULAR MEETING AND CONVENE CLOSED SESSION – Chair Tarlov recessed the meeting at 4:02pm.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

1. Call to Order

Chair Tarlov called the Closed Session to order at 4:15pm.

2. Roll Call

Present: Mike Chen

Alfonso Felder Steve Heminger Fiona Hinze Janet Tarlov Stephanie Cajina

Absent: Dominica Henderson (with notification)

Also present: Christine Silva, Board Secretary

3. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b) and Administrative Code Section 67.10(b), the SFMTA Board of Directors will meet in closed session to discuss:

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Christine Silva, Board Secretary

ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION AND RECONVENE OPEN SESSION – Chair Tarlov reconvened the meeting at 5:36pm.

13. Announcement of Closed Session

Board Secretary Silva announced that the Board met in Closed Session and took no action.



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

On motion to not disclose:

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

ABSENT - Henderson

**ADJOURN** – Chair Tarlov adjourned the meeting at 5:38pm.

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

## **ADJOURN**

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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