



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

MINUTES

Tuesday, October 5, 2021

**REGULAR MEETING AND CLOSED SESSION
1 P.M.**

Due to the COVID-19 health emergency and to protect our Board Members, SFMTA staff, and members of the public, the Board's Meeting Room (Room 400) is closed.

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SFMTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Gwyneth Borden, Chair
Amanda Eaken, Vice Chair
Steve Heminger
Fiona Hinze
Sharon Lai
Manny Yekutieli

Jeffrey Tumlin
DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION

Christine Silva
SECRETARY

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

Chair Borden called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Gwyneth Borden
Amanda Eaken
Fiona Hinze
Sharon Lai
Manny Yekutieli

Absent: Steve Heminger – with notification

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

No announcement was made.

4. Approval of Minutes

PUBLIC COMMENT:

David Pilpel suggested a correction to a comment he made, from Board of Supervisor to Board of Supervisors.

On motion to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2021 Regular Meeting with correction: unanimously approved (Heminger – absent).

5. Communications

Chair Borden shared that the meeting would be adjourned in honor of Marilyn Golden.

Chair Borden discussed the virtual meeting and expressed appreciation to staff for their work to enable the meeting to be held via teleconference. Board Secretary Silva reviewed how members of the public could watch the meeting and address the Board.

6. Introduction of New or Unfinished Business by Board Members

Director Lai requested an update on hiring and vacancies.

Director Yekutieli requested an update on the Van Ness Improvement Project and the Central Subway Project.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

David Pilpel requested the SFMTA address service reliability more broadly, including street supervision, the Transportation Management Center, the use of radio and other technology.

7. Director's Report (For discussion only)

- Special Recognition
- Color Curb Program Update
- Vision Zero Update
- Vaccination Update
- Ongoing Activities

Director Tumlin provided updates on vaccination requirement service impacts, event updates, radio and prediction issues from the weekend, the taxi lawsuit outcome, project updates for the JFK/Golden Gate Park Access and Safety Program, Lombard Street HOV lanes, a Federal Transit Administration grant opportunity, Board of Supervisors update, and Color Curb Program. Tom Maguire, Director of Streets, presented special recognition to the Shared Spaces Team, and Julie Kirschbaum, Director of Transit, presented special recognition to the Geary Rapid Team.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Joe Kunzler appreciated Director Tumlin effort on the vaccination mandate.

Mark Gruberg commented on the recent taxi lawsuit outcome and urged the SFMTA to fix the taxi system.

Herbert Weiner expressed concern over Slow Streets, sharing that they do not benefit everyone, and commented on the taxi lawsuit.

Aleta Dupree urged the Board to support the vaccine mandate and expressed support for autonomous vehicles.

Barry Taranto requested that the Board adjourn the meeting today in memory of three taxi drivers. He also expressed concern over the recent taxi lawsuit outcome and misuse of taxi stands.

Stacy Randecker expressed concern over a recent fatality on her street and supported Shared Spaces, urging the SFMTA to do more so that people do not have to worry about cars.

Anonymous expressed concern and asked about employees that are seeking religious exemptions from the vaccine mandate.

Christopher Peterson was dismayed to hear that vaccine hesitancy may result to service cuts and hopes the SFMTA will work with the Mayor's Office on the exact deadline.

Luke Bornheimer expressed continued support of Slow Streets and commented on the JFK/Golden Gate Park survey.

Anonymous expressed opposition to the Director of Transportation's position on Free Muni proposed by Supervisor Dean Preston.

Dave Alexander thanked staff for their continued work on Slow Streets.

8. Citizens' Advisory Council Report

No report was presented.

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.

Herbert Weiner expressed concern over the transit service survey and proposed that lines be restored to guarantee accessibility and reliability to Muni passengers.

John Gatewood shared his experience of being assaulted at a Muni bus stop and his interaction with a transit operator, requesting a response from the SFMTA.

Anonymous requested an update on work being done to avoid a climate emergency and work on Vision Zero.

Aleta Dupree expressed continued support and encouraged use of Clipper and the Clipper START program.

Barry Taranto expressed concern over no turn on red signals and lack of traffic light timing in the Tenderloin, sharing that he is less likely to go to the area.

Joe Kunzler thanked staff for their work was excited to ride Muni the following week.

David Pilpel commented on the SFGovTV delay. He also commented on meeting materials being available at 1 South Van Ness office, but not posted on the website.

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. Edwin Fenner v. CCSF, District Ct. #19-cv-03998-DMR filed on 09/29/2017 for \$20,000 (Explanatory documents include a resolution.)

RESOLUTION 211005-110

(10.2) Approving the following parking and traffic modifications:

- A. ESTABLISH - RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA A – 371 Broadway, east of Bartol Street.
- B. ESTABLISH – RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA R – 971 Eddy Street, east of Gough Street eligibility for residents.
- C. ESTABLISH - RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA V – 352 Brighton Avenue, north of Ocean Avenue.
- D. ESTABLISH - RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA I – 1600 15th Street, west of Mission Street.
- E. RESCIND – RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA C – ESTABLISH–RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA G – 1211 Polk Street between Bush and Sutter Streets.
- F. ESTABLISH – TOW AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME – Polk Street, west side, from Grove Street to Hayes Street.
- G. RESCIND – TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING 4 PM TO 6 PM – Geary Street, south side, from Van Ness Avenue to Polk Street.
- H. RESCIND – TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING ANYTIME – ESTABLISH – TOW-AWAY NO STOPPING 7 AM TO 9 AM AND 4 PM TO 6 PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY – O’Farrell Street, north side, from Van Ness Avenue to 133 feet easterly.
- I. ESTABLISH – 4-HOUR TIME LIMIT, 8 AM TO 6PM, DAILY – Innes Avenue, south side, from Selby Street to Milton I. Ross Lane – Rankin Street, east side, from McKinnon Avenue to Innes Avenue – Kirkwood Avenue, north side, from Rankin Street to Milton I. Ross Lane.
- J. ESTABLISH – PERPENDICULAR PARKING – Innes Avenue, south side, from Rankin Street to Milton I. Ross Lane – Rankin Street, east side, from McKinnon Avenue to Jerrold Avenue – Kirkwood Avenue, north side, from Rankin Street to Milton I. Ross Lane. (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 211005-111

(10.3) Acting as the SFMTA Board of Directors, approving amendments to extend by one year the term of each of four garage management contracts: SFMTA-2011/12-9 with Imperial Parking (U.S.) LLC for a total term of 11 years and a contract amount of \$1,536,324; SFMTA-2011/12-10 with IMCO Parking LLC for a total term of 11 years and a contract amount of \$1,243,152; SFMTA-2011/12-11 with LAZ Parking California LLC for a total term of 11 years and a contract amount of \$1,630,208; Fifth and Mission Garage Management Contract with IMCO Parking LLC for a total term of 11 years and a contract amount of \$740,217; and, request the Board of Supervisors to approve the contract amendments. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

RESOLUTION 211005-112

(10.4) Acting as the Parking Authority Commission, approving amendments to extend by one year the term of each four garage management contracts: SFMTA-2011/12-9 with Imperial Parking (U.S.) LLC for a total term of 11 years and a contract amount of \$1,536,324; SFMTA-2011/12-10 with IMCO Parking LLC for a total term of 11 years and a contract amount of \$1,243,152; SFMTA-2011/12-11 with LAZ Parking California LLC for a total term of 11 years and a contract amount of \$1,630,208; Fifth and Mission Garage Management Contract with IMCO Parking LLC for a total term of 11 years and a contract amount of \$740,217; and, request the Board of Supervisors to approve the contract amendments. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

RESOLUTION 211005-113

(10.5) Awarding SFMTA Contract No. 1308R, L Taraval Improvement Project - Sunset Boulevard to West Portal, to NTK Construction, Inc. to construct capital improvements along the L Taraval corridor from Sunset Boulevard to West Portal, in the amount of \$57,264,139, and for a term of 930 days to substantial completion and making environmental review findings. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, resolution, and finance plan.)

Director Lai requested Item 10.5 be severed from the Consent Calendar.

Tom Maguire, Director of Streets, and Keanway Ki, Engineer, presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing neither support nor opposition: Aleta Dupree, Stacy Randecker, David Pilpel, and Barry Taranto

RESOLUTION 211005-114

On motion to approve Item 10.5:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Eaken, Hinze, Lai and Yekutieli

ABSENT – Heminger

(10.6) Awarding SFMTA Contract No. 1318, Woods Facility Rehabilitation Project – Bus Wash Systems Replacement, to Air & Lube Systems, Inc., to replace the existing bus wash system and water reclamation system at the Woods Bus Yard in the amount of \$4,856,227, and for a term of 270 days to substantial completion. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

RESOLUTION 211005-115

(10.7) Appointing Gwyneth Borden as an alternate director to serve on the Transbay Joint Powers Authority Board of Directors, effective October 6, 2021. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

RESOLUTION 211005-116

(10.8) Adopting findings under new state urgency legislation to allow remote meetings during the COVID-19 emergency; continuing remote meetings for the next 30 days; and directing the Board Secretary to agendize a similar resolution at a board meeting within 30 days. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

RESOLUTION 211005-117

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support: Aleta Dupree (10.8)

Members of the public expressing opposition: Stacy Randecker (10.3 and 10.4)

Members of the public expressing neither support nor opposition: Barry Taranto (10.8), David Pilpel (10.3, 10.4, 10.6, 10.7, and 10.8)

On motion to approve the Consent Calendar (Item 10.5 severed):

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Eaken, Hinze, Lai and Yekutieli

ABSENT – Heminger

REGULAR CALENDAR

11. Presentation and discussion of the Regional Fare Coordination/Integration Study. (Explanatory documents include a slide presentation.)

Diana Hammons, Senior Manager – Revenue Collections & Sales, Michael Eiseman – BART and William Bacon – MTC, presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Joe Kunzler supported the study recommendations and encouraged the Board and staff to engage in the process constructively.

Aleta Dupree appreciated staff's work and urged the SFMTA to embrace the idea of fare integration because it will bring more people to transit.

Cliff Barger shared his experience of commuting a few days a week with an employer provided pass and thanked the Board for their questions and consideration of the item.

Zach Deutsch-Gross thanked the Board for their thoughtful comments and expressed support for the fare integration recommendations.

David Pilpel shared that regional fare coordination might not be the biggest concern right now, was surprised that minimum local fare did not model well and agreed with use of employer passes.

Sarah Barz shared that integrated fares would be helpful and expressed support for the initial recommendations of the fare study.

Sarah Greenwall thanked staff for their work and expressed support for fare integration, emphasizing the importance of mode shift.

Gabriel Chan shared that it would be best to focus on improving transit where there are deficiencies, have more regional connections and better coordination of schedules.

Edward Mason questioned how staff would encourage technology companies to accept this program. He also suggested that the focus be on transfer times as a regional transit user.

Ian Griffiths expressed support for free transfers and the pilot pass program, also sharing about a joint letter from Seamless Bay Area endorsing the recommendations.

Adina Levin shared that multi-agency transit passes would allow for more mobility and expressed support for near-term recommendations while working on pursuing funding.

Armat Emalusy expressed support for an integrated system, urged the Board to support the study recommendations and thanked staff for their hard work.

Kyle Bergquist expressed support for the recommendations and shared that Bay Area transit agencies need to work together and act like one region.

Alex Mitra thanked the SFMTA for participating in the study, expressed support for the fare study, funding, and potential regional funding measures.

Raul Maldonado expressed support for the study, expressed concern with respect to transfers, and thanked staff for their work.

Christopher Peterson expressed support for the recommendations regarding institutional passes and free or reduced cost transfers and agreed with finding different sources of funding.

Simon Chen expressed support for an all-agency pass and shared that better regional integration is a good idea for long-term transit ridership growth.

Barry Taranto questioned how staff could integrate using Clipper to pay for taxi fares.

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 invoke the attorney-client privilege: unanimously approved (Heminger – absent).

RECESS REGULAR MEETING AND CONVENE CLOSED SESSION

CLOSED SESSION

1. Call to Order

Chair Borden called the closed session to order at 5:45 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Gwyneth Borden
Amanda Eaken
Fiona Hinze
Sharon Lai
Manny Yekutieli

Absent: Steve Heminger – with notification

Also present: Jeffrey Tumlin, Director of Transportation
Susan Cleveland-Knowles, Deputy City Attorney
Julie Kirschbaum, Director of Transit
Christine Silva, Board Secretary

3. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) and the Administrative Code Section 67.8 (a)(3), the Municipal Transportation Agency 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:

RESOLUTION 211005-118

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Borden, Eaken, Hinze, Lai and Yekutieli

ABSENT – Heminger

ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION AND RECONVENE OPEN SESSION – The closed session was adjourned at 5:54 p.m.

13. Announcement of Closed Session.

Board Secretary Silva announced that the SFMTA Board of Directors met in closed session to discuss the case with the City Attorney. The Board voted to settle the case.

14. Motion to disclose or not disclose the information discussed in closed session.

On motion to not disclose the information discussed: unanimously approved (Heminger – absent).

ADJOURN – The meeting was adjourned at 5:56 p.m. in honor of Marilyn Golden.

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: <https://sfbos.org/sites/default/files/o0127-18.pdf>.

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