

SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS POLICY AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Friday, October 17, 2014 1 South Van Ness Ave. 7th Floor Union Square Conference Room

REGULAR MEETING 9:00 A.M.

COMMITTEE
Jerry Lee, Chairman
Cheryl Brinkman
Joél Ramos

Edward D. Reiskin DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION

Roberta Boomer BOARD SECRETARY

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lee at 9:01 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Cheryl Brinkman

Jerry Lee Joél Ramos

3. Approval of Minutes

On motion to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2014 Regular Meeting: unanimously approved.

4. Public Comment

Edward Mason provided an update on the commuter shuttle buses in Noe Valley. Staff has corrected Guerrero St. operations; however, this week there were 22 commuter buses that traversed 24th and Guerrero St., a majority of them violating the weight restriction. Some vehicles don't have the required decal for the commuter shuttle program. Some buses stop on Fair Oaks and block traffic.

5. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding an update on the Commuter Shuttle Pilot program. (No explanatory documents.)

Carli Payne, Project Manager, Commuter Shuttle pilot program presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Edward Mason stated that there's infrastructure damage at 26th and Noe, 24th and Dolores and 24th and Castro by the double deck vehicles that scrape the pavement. The placards should be on all four sides of the buses but are only on two sides. At night, these placards are hard to see because they're smaller than a license plate. Google is buying property in Mountain View to expand but Mountain View hasn't adjusted their zoning plan to allow for housing. Noe Valley will get stuck with new residents as a result.

Bob Planthold stated that he hears that monitoring of the commuter buses is done by parking control officers or by citizens. He hasn't heard that neighborhood merchant groups had been contacted. He also suggested that staff contact major delivery services about whether they are able to park.

6. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding key metrics and actions for SFMTA Strategic Plan Goals including safety, operations and finance. (Explanatory documents include a report.)

Ed Reiskin reviewed SFMTA Strategic Plan goals and metrics. Rachel Hyden talked about the new Muni map. John Knox White talked about the Vision Zero communications plan. Kristen Holland discussed the new SFMTA blog. John Haley discussed transit performance. Chris Grabarkiewctz discussed MRT deployment schedules. Tim Papandreou discussed the rail capacity strategy. Kate Toran discussed improving the list of non-private auto modes and taxi metrics. Heath Maddox discussed expanding the bike share system in San Francisco. Monica Munowitch discussed the Geary Bus Rapid Transit project. Tom Maguire and Kathy Studwell discussed evaluation of the Residential Parking Permit program. Lauren Mattern discussed outreach efforts with other cities regarding off-street parking practices and technologies.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Bob Planthold discussed the need to improve security and employee accountability. He urged staff to look at the training, equipment and facilities provided to station agents so they can report security matters. He wondered how a passenger got past a station agent with gas-driven equipment or how an abandoned backpack sat on platform for ten minutes. It is difficult for passengers to report security concerns when the phones don't work or nobody answers the phone. He also discussed the need for better cooperation with and education for major medical institutions and how their shuttle buses block public transit.

ADJOURN – The meeting adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

Submitted by:

Roberta Boomer Board Secretary

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