

SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL

MINUTES

Thursday, December 3, 2015 Room 7080, Union Square Conference Room 1 South Van Ness Avenue, 7th Floor

REGULAR MEETING 5:30 P.M.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Daniel Weaver (Chair), Daniel Murphy (Vice Chair), Neil Ballard, Mark Ballew, Stephen Cornell, Joan Downey, Steve Ferrario, Katie Haverkamp, Steve Taber, Alex Reese, Susan Vaughan, Dorris Vincent, Roland Wong, and Frank Zepeda

> COUNCIL LIAISON Roberta Boomer

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

Chairman Weaver called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call

CAC members present at Roll Call: Neil Ballard, Mark Ballew, Stephen Cornell, Joan Downey, Steve Ferrario, Katie Haverkamp, Alex Reese, Steve Taber, Susan Vaughan, Daniel Weaver, Roland Wong, and Frank Zepeda CAC members absent at Roll Call: Dorris Vincent and Daniel Murphy

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

CAC Liaison Boomer made the announcement.

4. Approval of Minutes:

No public comment.

On motion to approve the minutes of November 5, 2015:

ADOPTED: AYES – Neil Ballard, Mark Ballew, Stephen Cornell, Joan Downey, Steve Ferrario, Katie Haverkamp, Alex Reese, Steve Taber, Susan Vaughan, Daniel Weaver, Roland Wong, and Frank Zepeda ABSENT – Daniel Murphy and Dorris Vincent

5. Report of the Chair (For discussion only)

Chairman Weaver announced the appointment of Alex Reese as Chairman of the Finance and Administration Committee and Neil Ballard as a member of the committee. There will be two FAC meetings in February and March to review the budget.

6. Public Comment:

Edward Mason commented on the corporate commuter shuttle program and an incident at 25th and Castro where an airporter bus has been using the Muni bus stop to pick up passengers. The vehicle didn't have a commuter shuttle sticker and had an out of state license plate. He wondered why the vehicles were operating without license plates and placards and were using a Muni bus stop.

REGULAR CALENDAR

7. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding the SFMTA's Annual Report and Muni Customer Satisfaction Survey. (Candace Sue, Director, Communications) Candace Sue discussed the state of the SFMTA for the past fiscal year and reviewed the achievements and challenges.

Chairman Weaver asked that the Muni Customer Service Survey be scheduled for presentation at the next OCSC meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Edward Mason asked about whether workplace injuries per mile were per 200,000 hours of work rather than miles. Other statistics provided were per 100,000 miles. These figures should be converted to absolute numbers.

8. Presentation, discussion and possible motion regarding plans for Superbowl 50. (Peter Albert, acting Director, Planning.)

At the direction of Chairman Weaver, Item 8 was heard prior to Item 7.

Councilmember Vincent arrived at 5:46pm

Peter Albert, Director of SFMTA Planning, and Kevin Solon of the Super Bowl 50 Host Committee provided an overview of planning for the events around Superbowl 50. With construction, set up and breakdown the time period will be January 23 through February 12. There is a strong partnership with the Superbowl Host Committee and regional partners. The Host Committee, comprised of local residents, will be donating a percent of the proceeds to the community. When bus stops have to be relocated, the new stops will be within one block. Cars will be diverted in order to make transit efficient. Emergency vehicles and deliveries will have full access. There will be some traffic diversion and loss of on-street parking. The Transportation Network Companies will be kept out of the transit zone and will be treated as private cars. Cars coming into the transit area will go through a security clearance and will be swept for security purposes. There are six regional providers who have routes in the area. Their routes have been provided for. A public information and outreach playbook has been created. There will be an extensive wayfinding program.

Councilmember Murphy arrived at 5:48 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Richard Magary stated that the Castro St. Merchants are concerned about the planned shutdown of the F-Line. The historic streetcars are an iconic transit mode and bring a substantial number of people to the small businesses in the Castro. It's not the same when buses are used as substitutes. Castro Street merchants understand that Superbowl is a huge and complex event but this is about merchant's livelihoods. Castro Street merchants stand to lose lots of money due to a lack of visitors. Market Street Railway believes that the F line could run. Mr. Magary has suggested the use of historic buses as an alternative.

Dede Workman stated that the Chamber of Commerce has been holding regular meetings with the SFMTA to help with outreach, traffic and congestion. These meetings include people from contiguous areas to downtown. This event will have a huge economic impact that will be felt for a long time. The Chamber wants this to be successful for businesses and residents, and visitors.

Troy Campbell stated there are over 6,000 parking spots in the Fisherman's Wharf area. The Fisherman's Wharf Association will have extra ambassadors and suggested that the Host Committee also reach out to the Union Square Association who has a large army of ambassadors. He requested that their ambassadors sit in on any training. He noted that many hotels are already full and added that while there will be inconveniences, this is a big event that will have great economic impact.

Jill Cain stated that the Host Committee has been screening volunteers for months. 5,000 volunteers from all walks of life, ages, ethnicities have volunteered. This is an exciting event that will highlight the uniqueness of the Bay Area and will have a positive impact. She acknowledged that there will be unique challenges but the Host Committee is trying to address them ahead of time.

Edward Mason stated that the St. Patrick's day parade always congests Mission St. The parade has backed up the 14 lines that serve the downtown area. It's a predicament that the SFMTA will pay for Superbowl costs but doesn't have money to buy buses.

CAC Motion 151203.01

The SFMTA Citizens' Advisory Council urges the SFMTA to secure full compensation for all expenses related to the Superbowl 50 transportation plan and the SFMTA in general and that the funding agreement be in place before January 23rd.

On motion to approve:

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ADOPTED: AYES – Neil Ballard, Mark Ballew, Stephen Cornell, Joan Downey, Steve Ferrario, Katie
Haverkamp, Daniel Murphy, Alex Reese, Steve Taber, Susan Vaughan, Dorris
Vincent, Daniel Weaver, Roland Wong, and Frank Zepeda
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CAC Motion 151203.02

The SFMTA CAC encourages the SFMTA to implement GPS tracking on bus substitutions in time for Superbowl week and continue GPS tracking for future bus substitutions so that passengers have access to real time.

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Neil Ballard, Mark Ballew, Stephen Cornell, Joan Downey, Steve Ferrario, Katie Haverkamp, Daniel Murphy, Alex Reese, Steve Taber, Susan Vaughan, Dorris Vincent, Daniel Weaver, Roland Wong, and Frank Zepeda CAC Motion 151203.03

The SFMTA CAC encourages the SFMTA to supplement regular buses with historic buses in place of the F Line historic vehicles during SB 50 activities.

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Neil Ballard, Mark Ballew, Stephen Cornell, Joan Downey, Steve Ferrario, Katie Haverkamp, Daniel Murphy, Alex Reese, Steve Taber, Susan Vaughan, Dorris Vincent, Daniel Weaver, Roland Wong, and Frank Zepeda

Chairman Weaver asked that the item be scheduled for the January 2016 CAC meeting to further discuss the transportation plan for Superbowl 50.

9. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding CAC agenda items for 2016.

Councilmember Downey requested a presentation on paratransit services.

Councilmember Ballew requested an update on the F-line project, and particularly on the extension of the line to Fort Mason. He also requested an update on the shelter for historic streetcars.

Councilmember Reese requested an update on the Radio Replacement Project.

Councilmember Haverkamp requested information regarding the Dogpatch loop plan as well as a presentation on policies regarding vehicle advertising wraps on light rail vehicles.

Councilmember Vincent requested an update on the Islais Creek Bus facility.

Councilmember Cornell asked for information about how the SFMTA evaluates quality of life, the efficient movement of goods and the economic health of businesses when the agency plans a project.

Councilmember Vaughan requested a legislative update at both the local and state level. She requested that this be an annual presentation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Edward Mason suggested an update on the Clipper card; the light rail vehicle material management contract and technical and design improvements to the new LRV's. He also inquired about an F-line project manager.

10. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding the Operations and Customer Service Committee (OCSC) report and recommendations.

Councilmember Vaughan left the meeting at 8:20 pm

Councilmember Wong left the meeting at 8:25 pm

OCSC Chairman Ballew reported on recent discussions at OCSC including the MuniMobile app, the Powell St. pilot project and operation of the Cable Car line.

11. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding the Engineering, Maintenance and Safety Committee (EMSC) report and recommendations.

EMSC Chairman Zepeda stated that staff provided an overview of the future of regional transit at their recent EMSC meeting.

EMSC Motion 151118.01

Whereas, San Francisco's rapid growth, worsening congestion and slow transit speeds impede the city's goal of increasing transit's share of trips within the city; and

Whereas, San Francisco's "four corridors plan," included in city policy in 1989 and approved twice by the voters is in need of being updated and expanded; and

Whereas, BART is developing the concept of "urban metro service" that could make BART an effective component of an intra-city rapid transit system; and

Whereas, other potential rapid transit corridors have been proposed or are under consideration by public and private agencies;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the City prepare a comprehensive long-range plan for urban rapid transit within the city, including (i) expansion of the Muni Metro system, (ii) integration of BART service and possible BART expansion into the system, and (iii) improvements and enhancements of the existing BART and Muni Metro systems to complement the overall system. This plan should be created with full participation by representatives of users, neighborhoods, and other interested parties and should have a time horizon for implementation of 30 years, with recommended timing and prioritization of projects.

No public comment.

CAC Motion 151203.04

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On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Neil Ballard, Mark Ballew, Stephen Cornell, Joan Downey, Steve Ferrario, Katie Haverkamp, Daniel Murphy, Alex Reese, Steve Taber, Dorris Vincent, Daniel Weaver and Frank Zepeda ABSENT – Susan Vaughan and Roland Wong

12. Committee Members' requests for information. (For discussion only)

Sue Vaughan requested information regarding the renewable fuel being used by the SFMTA, what makes it renewable and better than the existing fuel and where the fuel was coming from.

Chairman Weaver asked the Councilmembers to submit any Requests for Information to the staff liaison via email.

Chairman Weaver presented a Certificate of Honor from Mayor Lee to Steve Ferrario as this meeting was Councilmember Ferrario's last meeting.

13. Schedule upcoming calendar items. (For discussion only) Next regular meeting: Thursday, January 7, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.
1 South Van Ness Avenue, 7th Floor, Union Square Conference Room, #7080

ADJOURN - The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 pm

Submitted by:

Roberta Boomer CAC Staff Liaison