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MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY  
CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL

MINUTES

Thursday, April 2, 2020

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**PUBLIC COMMENT CALL-IN:** (415) 646-2800 | Conference ID: 681238

REGULAR MEETING  
5:30 P.M.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Daniel Weaver (Chair), Frank Zepeda (Vice Chair), Neil Ballard, Mark Ballew, Michael Chen, Queena Chen, Steve Cornell, Joan Downey, Aaron Leifer, Christopher Man, Daniel Murphy, Susan Vaughan, and Dorris Vincent

COUNCIL LIAISON  
Roberta Boomer

COUNCIL SECRETARY  
Keka Robinson-Luqman

**NOTE: As a result of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Health Orders issued by the San Francisco Department of Public Health, and in accordance with the Mayoral proclamations and Executive Orders from the Governor, including the third supplement to Mayoral proclamation declaring the existence of a local emergency and Executive Order N-29-20 in which Governor Newsom suspended portions of The Brown Act's teleconferencing rules, the April 2nd CAC meeting will be held virtually. In addition to the opportunities for public comment remotely noted above, if you want to ensure your written public comment on any item on the agenda is received by the CAC in advance of the meeting, please send an email to [CAC@sfmta.com](mailto:CAC@sfmta.com) by 5pm on Wednesday, April 1st or call 415.646.2388.**

## ORDER OF BUSINESS

### 1. Call to Order

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

### 2. Roll Call

CAC members present at Roll Call: Neil Ballard, Mark Ballew, Michael Chen, Queena Chen, Stephen Cornell, Joan Downey, Aaron Leifer, Christopher Man, Daniel Murphy, Susan Vaughan, Dorris Vincent, Daniel Weaver, and Frank Zepeda

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

CAC Secretary Robinson-Luqman made the announcement.

### 4. Approval of Minutes:

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

David Pilpel stated that only Chair Daniel Weaver's last name was listed in the minutes vote and only Council member Dorris Vincent's first name was listed in the failed vote of item 9 in the March 5, 2020 CAC meeting minutes. Secretary Robinson-Luqman immediately corrected the minutes and updated them online.

On motion to approve the corrected minutes of March 5, 2020:

ADOPTED: AYES – Neil Ballard, Mark Ballew, Michael Chen, Queena Chen, Stephen Cornell, Joan Downey, Aaron Leifer, Christopher Man, Daniel Murphy, Susan Vaughan, Dorris Vincent, Daniel Weaver, and Frank Zepeda

### 5. Report of the Chair (For discussion only)

Chair Weaver reported that Director of Transportation Jeffrey Tumlin was a participant in the virtual meeting and would like to address the Council. Director Tumlin greeted the Council members and gave an update on the budgetary impact of COVID-19.

Chair Weaver announced that the April 2<sup>nd</sup> CAC meeting is the last meeting of Council members Mark Ballew and Joan Downey. He wished them well in their future endeavors.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

David Pilpel appreciated outgoing Council members Downey and Ballew. He stated he was sad to hear that they are leaving the CAC. Mr. Pilpel said that he is encouraged by Director Tumlin but suggested that the Council make a request for information regarding the key decisions about service restrictions and redeployment of staff. It would help to have something in writing about how some of those choices were made about services and deployment of people.

6. Public Comment:

Joel Kamisher stated that when things get back to normal, the SFMTA will need an expanded crossing guard program. He encouraged the CAC to offer a recommendation on that program in the future.

David Pilpel stated that he trusts that there is an authorization letter allowing the meeting to happen, though he has not seen it. He suggested that the original basis for the meeting being weighing in on the budget may have been superseded with the Mayor's extension of the deadline to approve the budget.

REGULAR CALENDAR

7. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding SFMTA FY 2021 and 2022 Operating and Capital budgets. (Leo Levenson, Director, Finance & Information Technology. Explanatory documents include a slide presentation.)

Jonathan Rewers, Senior Manager, Budget, Financial Planning, and Analysis presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

David Pilpel stated the budget presentation was very helpful and very comprehensive. There are some obvious policy changes that he agrees with. There are also things he takes issue with. He said he will try to refine a thoughtful letter. There is an opportunity to make the City's transportation system more like the public wants it. The SFMTA should look at a cut in transit service because there are certain lines that are overserved and will be for some time due to the circumstances. They should be redirected to lines that need them. He stated that he thinks it is going to be a long time before the City bounces back. There's a lot to think about.

CAC MOTION 200402.01

The SFMTA CAC recommends that the FY21 and FY22 operating and Capital Consolidated Budget Proposed as presented to the CAC on April 2, 2020 be adopted.

On motion to approve:

ADOPTED: AYES – Neil Ballard, Mark Ballew, Michael Chen, Queena Chen, Joan Downey, Christopher Man, Daniel Murphy, Susan Vaughan, Dorris Vincent, Daniel Weaver, and Frank Zepeda  
NAYES – Stephen Cornell and Aaron Leifer

Member Vincent left the meeting at 8:57 p.m.

8. Council Member Information and Agenda Item Requests. (For discussion only)

Sue Vaughan requested a presentation on sanitation policies at facilities, at station stops, and on rolling stock, including any new public service announcements about sanitation.

Sue Vaughan requested the Cost Recovery schedule for all cost recovery programs.

Sue Vaughan asked how much money comes to the SFMTA from SFPD CVC Rules of the Road infractions.

Aaron Leifer requested a detailed, point-by-point list of which Working Group recommendations will be funded, and to what extent. Please make sure to clarify in layman's terms, as applicable, what any FTE positions referenced will do (or would have done).

Aaron Leifer requested a disaggregated, project-by-project Vision Zero report referenced by Director Tumlin on the call. This report should show how effective individual Vision Zero projects have been in reducing fatalities.

Queena Chen asked what the total cost is and breakdown of the cost for SFMTA to operate the Chinatown Park and Ride Program (located in the Golden Gate Garage).

Queena Chen asked if the SFMTA has investigated extending the lifeline pass stickers to be valid for two to three months instead of one, especially since there is currently a shelter in place order.

Sue Vaughan requested data on the correlation between increased use of Uber & Lyft and the decline in parking revenues.

Sue inquired (in regard to RFI 200305.03) why the SFMTA has decided to disregard California Vehicle Code 22500, Division I "Words and Definitions, Section 642" and the San Francisco Transportation Code, Division I, Section 7.2.72, in regard to private bus operation in the Folsom Street red lanes and what staff people within the agency made that decision.

Frank Zepeda Requested a general memo that explains how the decisions were made to eliminate service and redirect staff during the COVID-19 Shelter-in-place order.

Frank Zepeda asked what the work plan is regarding deferred maintenance items being done in the tunnel during the LRV service shutdown.

ADJOURN- The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Submitted by:



Keka Robinson-Luqman  
SFMTA CAC – Secretary

Next regular meeting: Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm  
1 South Van Ness Avenue, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Union Square Conference Room, #7080