

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

MEETING MINUTES • Meeting Date: Tuesday, November 18, 2025

REGULAR MEETING AND CLOSED SESSION

1:00pm

1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place Room 400, City Hall

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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

Steve Heminger

Dominica Henderson

Fiona Hinze Stephanie Cajina Janet Tarlov

Absent (at Roll Call): Alfonso Felder

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

Board Secretary Silva made the announcement.

Director Felder joined the meeting.

- 4. Approval of Minutes
 - November 4, 2025, Regular Meeting

No public comment.

On motion to approve the minutes:

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

5. Communications

None.

- 6. Director's Report (For discussion only)
 - Special Recognition
 - Budget Survey



- Public Polling on Regional Measure
- Events and Ongoing Activities

Director Kirschbaum introduced Viktoriya Wise, Director of Streets, who recognized the Livable Streets staff for their work in the Tenderloin. Director Kirschbaum then shared about the budget survey, Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) poll results, a recent Bayview Shuttle celebration, Muni holiday bus wrap and store, the World Day of Remembrance, and adjourning the meeting in honor of Alice Wong.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jaime Viloria thanked staff for their work and the Tenderloin Safety Task Force and expressed support for creating more opportunities for the community.

Eli Gilarden thanked staff for honoring Alice Wong and shared remarks.

Griffin Lee expressed support for the Bayview Shutte and concern about the poll results and staff cuts.

Clare Amable expressed gratitude to the staff and for their collaboration on the Tenderloin Traffic Safety Task Force.

Jessica Lehman thanked the director for honoring Alice Wong and shared remarks in her memory.

7. Citizens' Advisory Council Report

Aaron Leifer, Citizens' Advisory Council (CAC) Chair, and Chris Arvin, CAC Vice Chair, presented the report.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Kash expressed support for not having cars back on Market Street, sharing that cars will not solve empty storefronts.

Speaker expressed support for a car-free Market Street and urged the agency to close the loophole that allows cars on the street.

Joanna Gubman expressed support for a car-free Market Street, sharing that Waymo and Uber are not scalable alternatives to public transit.



Scott Feeney expressed support for the CAC recommendation and the closure of Market Street to cars.

Rishav Rout urged the Board to reject the Mayor's decision to allow Transportation Network Companies (TNCs) on Market Street.

Evelyn Engel urged the Board to close the loophole to TNCs and promote better options.

Speaker expressed concern about more cars and safety, sharing that it goes against Vision Zero.

Barry Taranto expressed support for the CAC recommendation, sharing that the agency needs to keep transit moving on Market Street for safety and for pedestrians.

Stan Glance expressed support for the CAC recommendation to close the loophole and revert back to a car-free street.

Paul Wormer shared that TNCs should not be on Market Street and that mode shift means getting people onto transit.

Tom Radulovich expressed support for the CAC recommendation and urged that the Board hear the item and have a public conversation.

Griffin Lee expressed concern about limiting access for TNCs on Market Street, sharing that every mode should be an option to getting downtown.

Cyrus Hall urged the Board to close the loophole and expressing concern about safety on Market Street.

Fiona Yim thanked the CAC for their recommendation on Market Street and urged the Board to close the loophole.

Andrew Seigner expressed support for the CAC recommendation to close the loophole and to double down on the original vision of Better Market Street (BMR).

Robin Pam shared that cars on Market Streets is a distraction from the economic development challenges and that doing so compromises pedestrian and bike safety.

Dylan Fabris expressed support for the CAC's recommendation and urged the Board to close the loophole on Market Street.



Sarah Beauger expressed concern about unsafe conditions on Market Street, sharing about closed off sections on Broadway in New York City.

Jaime Viloria urged the Board to close the loophole and take this opportunity to improve Market Street with public transit.

Claire Amable expressed concern about wasted time and resources for the Market Street pilot, sharing that the pilot is a distraction.

Trevor Burke expressed disappointment to see private vehicles on Market Street.

Speaker expressed concern about TNCs on Market Street.

Josh expressed support for closing the loophole on Market Street and urged the Board to urge Supervisors and the Mayor to act.

Matthew Sutter expressed concern about autonomous vehicles on Market Street.

8. New or Unfinished Business by Board Members

None.

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.

Cyrus Hall commented on the N Judah incident, expressing concern for transit operators facing racism, bigotry and concern for their safety.

Barry Taranto shared about a recent shooting on 16th Street and concern about a lack of enforcement at white zones.

Fiona Yim thanked the Board for keeping Vision Zero in focus, sharing that the agency's actions are crucial and that transparency and good work are needed to succeed.

Speaker shared about attempting to get a Residential Parking Permit on 26th Street, expressing concern about parking availability.

Andrew Watson commented about collecting fees from autonomous vehicles for driving in certain areas of the city.



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. Establishing the 2026 SFMTA Board of Directors and Parking Authority Commission meeting schedule. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

RESOLUTION No. 251118-102

10.2. Amending the Transportation Code, Division II, to establish the Entertainment Venue Self-Post Program; define eligibility for participants in the Program, including music venues with Place of Entertainment permits and theaters that host live performances; and set fees to cover the costs to operate the Program as well as be reimbursed for any lost meter revenue and design changes for Temporary Tow-Away signs. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

RESOLUTION No. 251118-103

10.3. Approving a Roadway Shared Spaces street closure application for Elm Street between Van Ness Avenue and Polk Street, Thursday, December 4, 2025, through Friday, December 4, 2026, 8 am to 4 pm, Monday through Friday; and making environmental review findings. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

RESOLUTION No. 251118-104

10.4. Approving the SFMTA's 2026 Legislative Program. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, resolution, and slide presentation.)

RESOLUTION No. 251118-105



10.5. Authorizing the Director of Transportation to execute Contract Modification No. 6 (Final) to close out Contract No. 1236R, Third Street Light Rail Project-Mission Bay Loop, with Mitchell Engineering by: (1) resolving all time impact of this contract, including deferred and outstanding time impacts from the five previous modifications by extending the substantial completion date by 1,691 calendar days, of which 808 days are compensable; and (2) adjusting and finalizing bid item quantities to reflect the actual quantity of work performed. This modification will increase the contract amount by \$833,067.78 and establish the final contract amount of \$8,545,926.76 and increase the contract duration to substantial completion by 1,691 days for a final contract duration of 2,523 days to substantial completion to close out the contract. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

RESOLUTION No. 251118-106

10.6. Authorizing the Director of Transportation to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Contract No. SFMTA-2025-86-LOC: Next Generation Transit Lane and Bus Stop Enforcement System. (Explanatory documents include a staff report and resolution.)

RESOLUTION No. 251118-107

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support: Barry Tarano (10.2), Speaker (10.3), Josh Liverman (10.2), and Claire Amable (10.3).

Director Heminger inquired about a potential moratorium or break on new projects given budget constraints. Director Kirschbaum acknowledged the comment and shared that she would return with a response.

On motion to approve:

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

REGULAR CALENDAR

11. Presentation and discussion regarding a Local Measure Update. (Explanatory documents include a slide presentation.)



Alicia Jean-Baptiste, Mayor's Office Chief of Infrastructure, Climate & Mobility, and Kathryn Angotti, Project Manager, presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Dylan Fabris expressed concern about the two options not going far enough and that the coalition will be sharing their own proposal this week.

Lisa Platt expressed support for removing the cap on big businesses and shared that the polling showed that people are willing to pay more only if they get more.

Cyrus Hall expressed concern about current service and crowding and support for uncapping the measure.

Rachel Clyde shared about four principles and urged the agency to keep working on the measure.

Jaime Viloria urged the agency to generate enough revenue to improve service quality and add more buses, sharing that the measure should be scaled and indexed.

Tom Radulovich shared that some changes need to be made to the proposal, including raising more money, that it be indexed for inflation, and that it should be permanent.

Paul Wormer expressed concern about crowding on buses and service, sharing that the agency needs to do better.

Griffin Lee expressed concern about voter sentiment and whether a measure would pass.

Andrew Seigner expressed concern about the measure, sharing that it could go further.

12. Taking certain actions related to San Francisco Public Works' Islais Creek Bridge Replacement Project, including: (1) adopting findings under the California Environmental Quality Act, the Statement of Overriding Considerations, and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program; (2) adopting transportation-related Mitigation Measure M-TR-1 and finding M-TR-1 feasible as to the 19-Polk but infeasible as to the T-Third light rail line for the reasons set forth in the Statement of Overriding Considerations; (3) committing to develop a community engagement and mobility strategy; and (4) authorizing the Director of Transportation: (i) to implement measures identified in M-TR-1 found to be feasible for the 19-Polk, and (ii) to implement measures related to the T-Third identified in M-TR-1 and the community engagement and mobility strategy, including private vehicle restrictions, transit-



only lanes, and other measures, if the Director determines such measures are feasible. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, resolution, and slide presentation.)

Chava Kronenberg, Pedestrian Safety Program Manager, and Thomas Roitman, Public Works Project Manager, presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing opposition: Shareef Win

Members of the public expressing neither support nor opposition: Jaime Viloria and Tom Radulovich

On motion to amend the resolution to add in the third Resolve clause after "Project", "and to present the community engagement and mobility strategy to the SFMTA Board of Directors at a public hearing" and approve as amended:

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

RESOLUTION No. 251118-108

Chair Tarlov recessed the meeting at 4:37pm and reconvened the meeting at 4:52pm.

- 13. Approving a Tow-Away No Stopping zone and red curb zones along with a lane reconfiguration and concrete islands to improve pedestrian safety as part of the Clarendon Quick-Build Project: (The SF Planning 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 S. F. Administrative Code Chapter 31. Explanatory documents include a staff report, resolution, and slide presentation.)
 - A. ESTABLISH TOW-AWAY NOT STOPPING ANYTIME Clarendon Avenue, north side, from 97 to 155 feet east of Laguna Honda Boulevard
 - B. ESTABLISH RED ZONE
 - i. Clarendon Avenue, north side, from 30 feet to 50 feet east of Clarendon Woods Avenue
 - ii. Olympia Way, north side, from 65 feet to 85 feet east of Clarendon Avenue (Muni Bus Stop)
 - iii. Clarendon Avenue, east side, from Olympia Way to 50 feet northerly (Muni Bus Stop)

Jacob Henke, Planner, presented the item.



PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support: Zach Lipton, Cyrus Hall, Andrew Seigner, Fiona Yim, and Tom Radulovich

Members of the public expressing opposition: Christine Linnenbach

Members of the public expressing neither support nor opposition: Griffin Lee and Marie Hurabiell

On motion to approve:

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

RESOLUTION No. 251118-109

SPECIAL CALENDAR – The following items are not to begin before 4:00pm

14. Approving a Roadway Shared Spaces street closure application for Hayes Street between Gough and Octavia streets, 4 pm to 10 pm each Friday and 10 am to 10 pm each Saturday, from Friday, November 28, 2025, through Saturday, November 28, 2026 (application from the Hayes Valley Neighborhood Association is for a Roadway Shared Spaces permit to close Hayes Street between Gough and Octavia streets, 4 pm to 10 pm each Friday, and 10 am to 10 pm each Saturday and Sunday, from November 28, 2025, through November 28, 2026); and making environmental review findings. (Explanatory documents include a staff report, resolution, and slide presentation.)

Monica Munowitch, Shared Spaces Program Manager, presented the item.

Raynell Cooper, Legislative Aide for Supervisor Mahmood, expressed support for Friday and Saturday activation, and shared about a public life survey led by the Planning Department.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public expressing support: Cyrus Hall, Tyler Bernstein, Speaker, Matt Conway, Zach Lipton, Kimberlee Howley, David Robinson, John Farkus, Laila Holzman, Fiona Yim, Harold, Ajay, Andrew Seigner, Bonnie Wong, Daniel, Sarah Buecher, Noelle, Ian, Dylan Fabris, Trent Berry, Lloyd Silverstein, Anthony Healy-London, Brian, Ansley, Austin, Julianna, and Heather



Members of the public expressing opposition: Griffin Lee, Richard Johnson, and Marie Hurabiell

On motion to approve:

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

RESOLUTION No. 251118-110

15. 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 go into Closed Session:

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

RECESS REGULAR MEETING AND CONVENE CLOSED SESSION – Chair Tarlov recessed the meeting at 6:49pm.

CLOSED SESSION

1. Call to Order

Chair Tarlov called the Closed Session to order at 6:56pm.

2. Roll Call

Present: Mike Chen

Alfonso Felder Steve Heminger Dominica Henderson

Fiona Hinze Janet Tarlov Stephanie Cajina

Also present: Julie Kirschbaum, Director of Transportation

Susan Cleveland-Knowles, Deputy City Attorney

John Rolnick, Deputy City Attorney



Christine Silva, Board Secretary

3. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) and (d)(2) and Administrative Code Section 67.8 (a)(3) and 67.10(d)(1) and (2), the SFMTA 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:

A. Anderson, Sweeney, et al v. CCSF, US District Court Case No. 3:20-cv-01149, filed 2/13/2020 to establish a fund of up to \$2,000,000 (individual settlement for Devon Anderson, an SFMTA employee, and class action for all other SFMTA employees who are part of the class). Lawsuit involving allegations that the City discriminated in violation of the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act and the California Military and Veterans Code, and violated the City's Annual Salary Ordinance. The settlement includes the opportunity for members of the class to purchase service credit for military leave and would authorize the City Attorney's Office to use the funds to resolve individual and class claims. (Explanatory documents include a resolution.)

On motion to approve:

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

RESOLUTION No. 251118-111

ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION AND RECONVENE OPEN SESSION – Chair Tarlov reconvened the meeting at 7:30pm.

16. Announcement of Closed Session

Board Secretary Silva announced that the Board voted to approve Item 3A.

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

On motion to not disclose:

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

ADJOURN – Chair Tarlov adjourned the meeting at 7:32pm in honor of Alice Wong.



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.

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

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If you wish to contact the Board regarding an item that is expected to be on an agenda, please email the Board at MTABoard@sfmta.com. Please know that the Board appreciates receiving such communication by 12pm the day before the meeting so they have time to review and consider the comments prior to the meeting.



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