

# SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL

### **MINUTES**

## NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING AND CALENDAR

Wednesday, October 26, 2016 Noe Valley Conference Room, #7075 1 South Van Ness Avenue, 7th Floor

REGULAR MEETING 3:00 P.M.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS Frank Zepeda, Chairman Dorris Vincent

> COUNCIL LIAISON Roberta Boomer

COUNCIL SECRETARY Keka Robinson-Luqman

#### ORDER OF BUSINESS

#### 1. Call to Order

Chairman Zepeda called the meeting to order at 3:11 p.m.

#### 2. Roll Call

EMSC members present at Roll Call: Frank Zepeda
EMSC members absent: Dorris Vincent (without notice)

CAC members present: Neil Ballard, Barbara Bocci, and Steve Taber

Chairman Zepeda appointed Council member Neil Ballard pro tem committee member.

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

CAC Secretary Robinson-Luqman made the announcement.

4. Approval of Minutes:

Vote continued until the next meeting.

5. Report of the Chairman (For discussion only)

No report.

#### 6. Public Comment:

Edward Mason provided an update on the commuter bus program. Genentech and SFO Airporter have been picking up passengers at unauthorized stops. There have been 40 foot buses operating on Church Street, which is a residential street. Buses in excess of 35 feet are not allowed on residential streets. The shuttles double park on Church Street and 24th Street, causing traffic delays and causing vehicles to go into the red lanes. It has been going on for quite a while. The shuttle companies signed up for the placard which means they are supposed to follow the rules and they are not doing that. It's a disrespect to the neighborhood. He inquired how long it will take to correct this.

Debra Benedict spoke about pedestrian traffic concerns. She received a notice that Dore Street was accepted for traffic calming bumps between Howard and Folsom Streets. She inquired as to when they would be installed. She had a service animal killed on that street from a speeding car and neighbors have had children and animals injured. Drivers frequently speed on that street. She also inquired what the status is for the corner of 9th and Mission Streets receiving curb cuts. She was informed that it was approved for construction in November of 2015 but it still has not been done. That corner is not ADA compliant. She has been calling SFMTA but no action has been taken so far.

#### REGULAR CALENDAR

7. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding transit shelter and station cleanliness and maintaining Muni facilities. (Steve Shih, Senior Operations Manager, Infrastructure Maintenance and Gail Stein, Finance Manager. No explanatory documents.)

Steve Shih stated that the SFMTA has a contract with Clear Channel for their stations and bus shelters and they work well with them. Clear Channel maintains the cleanliness of everything on the platforms and the SFMTA maintains everything beneath the platforms. Sometimes the SFMTA will clean on the platform if it's not necessary to call Clear Channel. Some areas get so bad so quickly that the SFMTA could clean there, Clear Channel could clean there and the next day it looks as if nothing was cleaned. The homeless issue makes it tough to clean certain areas because the SFMTA can't just go into an encampment and remove people. Homeless outreach has to be contacted and safely remove anyone in the encampment before any cleaning can be done. Keeping the public spaces clean is a challenge but the SFMTA does their best and are very responsive.

Gail Stein added that, per their contract with the SFMTA, Clear Channel is required to visit every bus shelter twice a week. If there is a graffiti complaint, it is to be taken care of within 24 hours. Sometimes the San Francisco Department of Public Works will secure or repair something broken and let the SFMTA know.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

Edward Mason stated that, while it has been a continuing problem, there has been some improvement with the pigeon problem at West Portal Station. It hasn't been as bad as it was in the past.

8. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding the Subway Vision Plan. (Grahm Satterwhite, Principal Planner. Explanatory documents include a slide presentation.)

Grahm Satterwhite stated that the Subway Vision Plan was an ordinance from Supervisor Scott Wiener in 2015. It's focused on policy guidance, what subways do well, and where they fit into the eco system. The final subway vision plan will be complete by the end of 2016.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

Edward Mason stated that transportation projects are actually real estate development projects. He inquired how this is going to match in with Plan Bay Area. The auto industry is going to place the transit industry at risk with driverless vehicles. The SFMTA needs growth funding growth instead of bond measures and sales taxes. He inquired what the population capacity is for San Francisco and how many more people are going to be allowed to shoehorn into the City.

9. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding operator safety (Christopher Grabarkiewctz, Director of Security, Investigations and Enforcement. Chimmy Lee, Creative

Services Lead, Creative Services. Explanatory documents include driver safety advertisements.)

Chimmy Lee stated that there was a need to bring more awareness to the safety of operators and parking control officers, so the SFMTA came up with the "Keep Them Safe" campaign. The content was vetted through the union. They approved the language used in the advertisements. The campaign is ongoing.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

Edward Mason requested a breakdown of a profile of the typical perpetrators of violence against SFMTA employees. He inquired if they have similar characteristics such as drug use, mental illness, or anger issues. He inquired as to who the target market is for the ad campaign and if they are even reachable.

10. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding the following motion:

The SFMTA CAC recommends the Environmental Impact Report and the next phase of the Geary Bus Rapid Transit be approved by the SFMTA Board.

The motion was continued until the next regular meeting.

11. Committee member requests for information. (For discussion only)

Frank Zepeda inquired if the Environmental Impact Report for the Geary BRT Project is done and if so, is it possible to receive a draft.

ADJOURN - The meeting was adjourned at 4:19 p.m.

Submitted by:

Keka Robinson-Luqman SFMTA CAC – Secretary

Next regular meeting: Wednesday, November 16th at 3:00 p.m.

One South Van Ness Avenue, 7th Floor, Noe Valley Conference Room, #7075