



SFMTA

Taxi Outreach Meeting

February 19, 2026



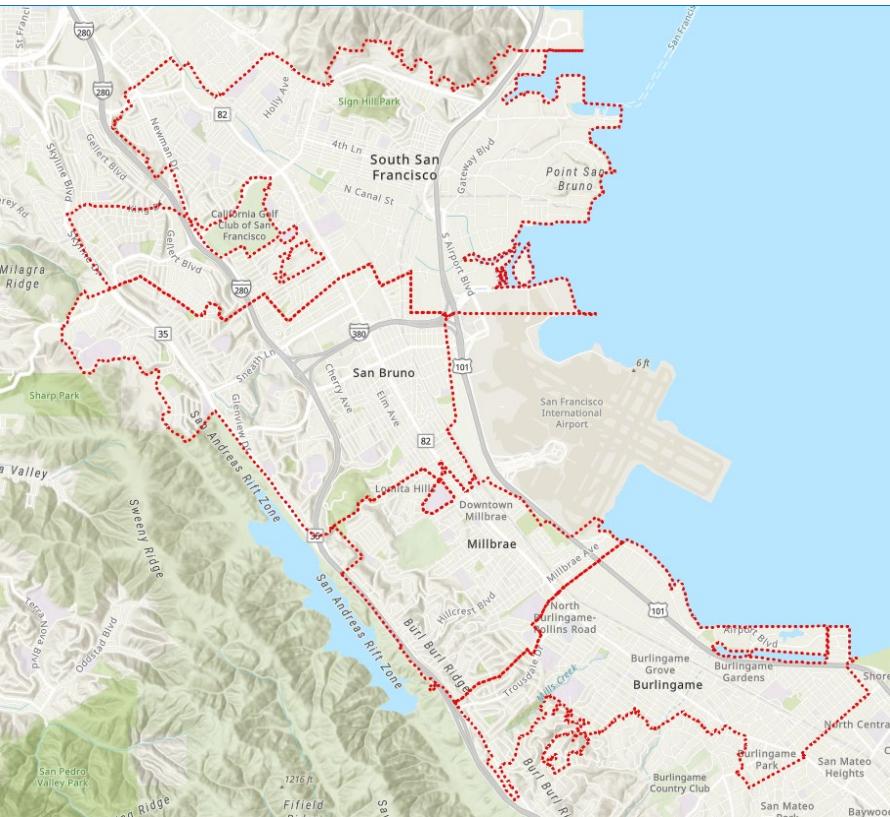
Agenda

- 1) Taxi Code Reform Proposals
 - a) Proposed taxi meter rate amendments
 - i. SFO minimum fare
 - ii. Meter and a half
 - b) Driver Duties: No long hauling
 - c) Color Scheme Duty to Report
 - d) Lost and Found Status Update
- 2) Driver Training Requirements
- 3) Access for All FY24-25 - FY25-26 Request for Proposals
- 4) Upfront Fare Program Rules Update: Third-Party Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle Trips
- 5) Announcements
 - a) SFMTA announcements
 - b) Code reform suggestions from the taxi industry

Taxi Code Reform

- ❖ The SFMTA is working on the next round of review of taxi requirements ([Article 1100 of the Transportation Code](#))
- ❖ Our intent: **continue to modernize rules to allow the taxi industry to innovate and compete, while maintaining safety and consumer protection**
- ❖ Feedback from the taxi industry is an important part of the process
- ❖ Next steps
 - Monthly meetings to discuss potential changes
 - Proposed amendments to the taxi code require approval of the SFMTA Board of Directors
 - Proposed amendments for SFMTA Board consideration in 2026

Taxi Meter Rate Amendments



❖ Proposed rate amendments:

Minimum fare from SFO:

- Minimum Fare: **\$24** not including fees
- Based on average fare within Short geofence
- Fare is clear to customers
- Applies 24/7/365
- Drivers still eligible for Short line
- If meter is lower, drivers may charge less

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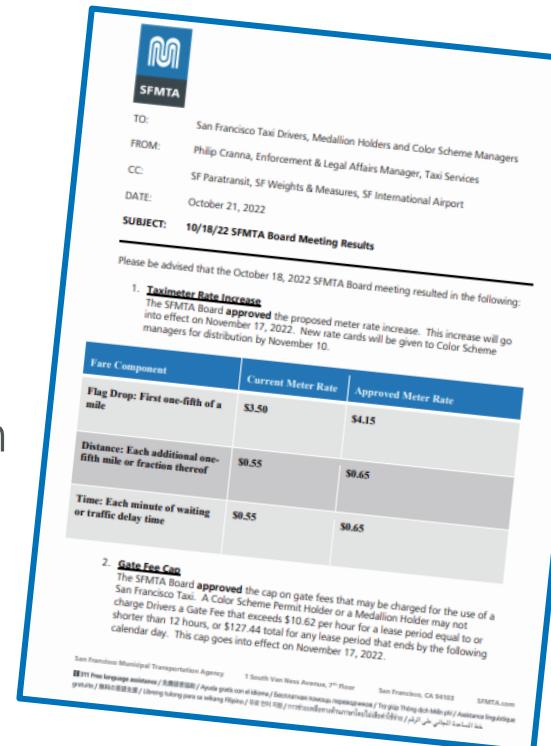
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Taxi Meter Rate Amendments

❖ Proposed rate amendments:

- **Meter and a half (Out-of-Town Trips):**

- New Proposal: Flat Rate Zones for long distance trips – listed by municipal boundaries for clarity
- Zones to be published on SFMTA website for customer transparency
- Flat Rate based on meter plus distance premium
- Issue solved: driver/passenger disputes



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Proposed Driver Duty Amendments

- ❖ Drivers shall use the most direct route on any trip, unless otherwise specifically requested by the passenger.
 - Prohibits long hauling.

Status Update:

- ❖ Drivers shall, at the beginning of a trip, inform any passenger whose announced destination falls within the parameters of Section 1124(b)(3) that the fare to be charged will be 150% of the amount registered on the Taximeter.
 - If Driver fails to notify Customer of charge, Driver shall refund Customer the difference in fare. **Still under review**

Color Scheme Duty to Notify

Update Transportation Code §1106. CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO COLOR SCHEME PERMITS.

(o) Required Notifications.

(5) Death of Medallion Holder.

Require Color Scheme to timely notify the SFMTA **in the event of a notice of death of a medallion holder, within a shorter time period.** Add fine for noncompliance.

Currently 14 calendar days required

Issue solved: beneficiary notifications for designee holder, medallion usage compliance

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Color Scheme Permits: Status Update

Update Transportation Code §1106. CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO COLOR SCHEME PERMITS.

(r)(2) Found Property.

If the Found Property is currency, is of the value of \$100 or more, is either a serialized item or an electronic device or contains owner's identification information, within ~~30~~**7** calendar days the Color Scheme Permit Holder or the designee shall transfer the property to the SFMTA.

Issue solved: faster property reunification

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Driving Training Requirements

- ❖ Resume in-person training for new driver onboarding
- ❖ Update online driver training content

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Access for All RFP

FY 24-25, 25-26, and 26-27 Funding Cycles

- ❖ \$2.2M available to support on demand wheelchair accessible vehicle (WAV) service within San Francisco
- ❖ Expected RFP publication date early 2026
- ❖ Visit the [Access for All webpage](#) for more information

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Third-Party Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle Trips

- ❖ Allowing ramp taxis to provide Third-Party WAV trips requires a rule change to the TNC Access for All program regulations by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC)
- ❖ Uber requested the CPUC update the rules to allow ramp taxis to provide TNC-originated WAV trips; SFMTA supported this request
- ❖ CPUC finalized decision allowing Third-Party WAV trips
- ❖ January 29, 2026: SFMTA updated program rules to allow Third-Party WAV trips – applications are now open!



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Announcements

- ❖ SFMTA announcements
- ❖ Code reform suggestions from the taxi industry