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Memorandum

AGENDA ITEM 3

DATE: June 9, 2023

To: Treasure Island Mobility Management Agency Board: Commissioners Dorsey

(Chair), Chan, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safaí,

Stefani, and Walton

FROM: Tilly Chang - Executive Director

SUBJECT: 06/13/2023 Board Meeting: Executive Director's Report – **INFORMATION**

REGIONAL, STATE AND FEDERAL ISSUES

Two State Grants Not Selected: We are disappointed to report that two TIMMA grants we applied for were not successful. We will seek debriefs to obtain feedback to inform future funding efforts for both projects:

- The Bay Skyway Phase 1, a set of active transportation and ferry improvements in the Bay Bridge corridor, did not score high enough for funding from the State's Senate Bill 1 (SB1) Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (SCCP). The Transportation Authority worked with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and Caltrans District 4 to submit the request, which included funding to construct the Yerba Buena Island Multi-Use Path from the touchdown of the east span of the Bay Bridge at YBI Vista Point to the new ferry terminal on Treasure Island as well as charging infrastructure for new electric ferry service to the Embarcadero. The request also included the West Oakland Link in the East Bay. To support this application, we also completed a required supplement to the existing Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan, including outreach to affected communities on both sides of the Bay and on Treasure Island, which will help us in future grant applications.
- Last December, we submitted an application for \$6.5 million for affordable housing development, transit service improvements, and community planning efforts from this program, which focuses on integration of climate goals with housing goals.
 Unfortunately, our proposal was not selected for funding. We will continue to seek outside funding sources to support these activities.

LOCAL ISSUES

Treasure Island Supplemental Transportation Study - Completed: In October, we reported on progress on this Transportation Authority District 6 Neighborhood Program planning study. Since then, Transportation Authority and One Treasure Island staff met with



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the Working Group and finalized the study's recommendations and funding approach and will present it to the Transportation Authority Community Advisory Committee and Board for adoption next month. For more information see: www.sfcta.org/projects/treasure-island-supplemental-transportation-study.

PROJECT DELIVERY

Autonomous Vehicle Shuttle Pilot - NHTSA Permit Granted: Last week, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) issued the necessary permission for our Autonomous Vehicle Shuttle to operate on Treasure Island. We will introduce the shuttle vehicles to the community and begin the on-street testing period later this month, before providing passenger service this summer. The shuttle will operate for nine months and be free to all. See more information at sfcta.org/projects/treasure-island-autonomous-shuttle-pilot.

Ferry Terminal Enhancements Project - Preliminary Engineering Begins: In April, we obtained authorization to begin the preliminary engineering phase of this project to construct public restrooms and other enhancements at the Ferry Terminal on Treasure Island. We are coordinating closely with the Treasure Island Development Authority and Treasure Island Community Development on this federally funded effort to provide amenities at the Ferry Terminal.

I-80 Southgate Road and Interchange Project - Open for Use: On May 6, with Chair Dorsey Commissioner Melgar, we joined with state and regional officials, including State Senator Weiner, to celebrate the completion of the Yerba Buena Island/I-80 Southgate Road and Interchange project. The project, which links eastbound I-80 to Yerba Buena Island was a partnership of Federal, State, regional and local agencies and improves safety and Bay Bridge connections for motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians. The new ramp is being used by eastbound motorists who will be encouraged to use this exit ahead of the closure of the left-side exit to Treasure Island. Thank you to the Transportation Authority and all of our regional, state, and federal funding partners for completing the \$61 million Southgate project and helping us fully fund the \$126 million West Side Bridges project which together help prepare the Islands for planned development. More information can be found at sfcta.org/southgate.

West Side Bridges Project - Construction Begins: The Transportation Authority continues its transportation and infrastructure renewal program on Treasure Island and Yerba Buena Island with the construction of the West Side Bridges Retrofit project. Construction contracts were awarded in March and we will hold our groundbreaking ceremony on Friday, June 16. The project will replace seven seismically deficient bridges and retrofit one bridge with a realigned roadway and retaining walls along Treasure Island Road to meet current seismic safety standards and construct a Class II bicycle facility and a transit-only access on-ramp. These bridge structures are a critical connection between Yerba Buena Island, Treasure Island, and the Bay Bridge, and support the redevelopment of the islands. Traffic changes will



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be shared with the public next week: Caltrans will be closing the I-80 Treasure Island eastbound off-ramp early in the morning on Friday, 6/23 with motorists asked to use the right-side Yerba Buena Island Southgate exit instead. The I-80 westbound on-ramp from Treasure Island will be closed on Monday, 6/26 and motorists should use the Treasure Island East Side on-ramps instead. More information can be found at sfcta.org/westsidebridges.