



# DRAFT MINUTES

## **San Francisco County Transportation Authority**

Tuesday, April 16, 2024

### **1. Roll Call**

Chair Mandelman the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

**Present at Roll Call:** Commissioners Chan, Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Preston, and Walton (7)

**Absent at Roll Call:** Commissioners Peskin, Ronen, Safaí, and Stefani (4)

### **2. Approve the Minutes of the March 26, 2024 Meeting – ACTION**

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Preston moved to approve the item, seconded by Commissioner Dorsey.

The minutes were approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Chan, Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Preston, and Walton (7)

Absent: Commissioners Peskin, Ronen, Safaí, Stefani (4)

### **3. Community Advisory Committee Report - INFORMATION**

Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Chair Kat Siegal reported that the CAC adopted motions of support for the San Francisco Public Works Pavement Renovation and Oakdale Lighting Improvements fund allocations; Hillcrest Road Improvement Project construction contract awards, and Fiscal Year 2023/24 Budget Amendment items.

Chair Siegal highlighted the discussion on the I-280 Northbound Geneva Avenue Off-Ramp Study at the March CAC meeting, during which nearly all members weighed in on topics such as disappointment over the lack of bold pedestrian safety recommendations; concerns about the study's mid- to long-term staff recommendations; and near-miss experiences with oncoming vehicles in the area. She also said that members asked about closure of some off- and on-ramps as recommended in the Transportation Authority's 2014 Balboa Park Circulation Study and commented on vulnerable populations in the area, including seniors and children. Chair Siegal said that the CAC voted to support an amended motion that included only the study's near-term recommendations and signal changes, urging the Transportation Authority to expedite its Vision Zero Ramps Phase 3 Study, and urging staff to approach projects through the lens of safety for the most vulnerable users and be bold in developing potential solutions. She said staff had communicated to the CAC that they would consider the CAC's input and would conduct additional community engagement before bringing the study back to the CAC and then to the Board.

Chair Siegal also reported on the discussion of San Francisco Municipal Transportation Authority (SFMTA)'s Vision Zero Overview and Quick-Build Program Update presentation



to the CAC in March. She said members were surprised that the presentation failed to call out that San Francisco did not meet its 2024 Vision Zero goals and members were disappointed by the positive framing of the data, which reported that fatalities were trending down since the inception of Vision Zero though from the CAC's perspective the numbers didn't seem to clearly support that conclusion. She concluded that members were looking forward to more details from SFMTA's forthcoming 10-Year Retrospective Report.

There was no public comment.

**4. [Final Approval on First Appearance] State and Federal Legislation Update – ACTION**

Mark Watts, state legislative consultant to the Transportation Authority, and Martin Reyes, Principal Transportation Planner, Government Affairs, presented the item.

Commissioner Walton made comments in support of the staff recommendation to support and seek amendments for Senate Bill 1031 and shared that Caltrain, as well as other agencies, had expressed concerns about the bill's language related to consolidation. He noted that he had spoken with Senator Weiner and understood that the authors were working on consolidation language that would be more amenable.

Chair Mandelman stated that he would move to continue his Board of Supervisors resolution related to Senate Bill 1031 later that afternoon and would work with Commissioner Walton to incorporate additional language into the resolution similar to the language drafted by Transportation Authority staff.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Walton moved to approve the item, seconded by Commissioner Melgar.

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Chan, Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, and Walton (9)

Absent: Commissioners Safaí and Stefani (2)

**5. Allocate \$1,600,000 in Prop L Funds, with Conditions, and Allocate \$1,200,000 in Prop AA Funds for Two Requests – ACTION**

Amelia Walley, Program Analyst, presented the item per the staff memorandum.

Commissioner Mandelman commented that pavement renovation or repairing streets, polled highly when the Transportation Authority was working on the reauthorization of the sales tax and consistently does so in other polls so he was glad to see a paving project proposed for Prop L funding.

Commissioner Preston noted that the paving project locations were referred to as "candidates" and asked for clarification on how certain work would be done on those locations.

Edmund Lee, San Francisco Public Works (SFPW) Project Manager, answered that the locations were as committed and locked in as could be. He explained that coordination was an ongoing effort and that sometimes unexpected things happened which could impact the timeline for the listed locations.

During public comment, Roland Lebrun expressed disappointment that the Oakdale



lighting project would not be open for use until 2026.

Commissioner Walton moved to approve the item, seconded by Commissioner Preston.

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Chan, Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, and Walton (9)

Absent: Commissioners Safaí and Stefani (2)

**6. Award a Construction Contract to the Lowest Responsible and Responsive Bidder, Thompson Builders Corporation, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$22,132,978; Authorize an Additional Construction Allotment of \$4,541,599, for a Total Construction Allotment Not to Exceed \$26,674,577; Approve a Contract Amendment with WMH Corporation in the Amount of \$750,000; and Authorize the Executive Director to Execute All Other Related Supporting and Supplemental Agreements for the Yerba Buena Island Hillcrest Road Improvement Project – ACTION**

Carl Holmes, Deputy Director for Capital Projects, presented the item per the staff memorandum.

Commissioner Dorsey asked if there was a timeline for bike lane barriers to be implemented on Hillcrest.

Mr. Holmes answered that the barriers were part of the Yerba Buena Island Multi-Use Pathway project and would be funded with the new California Transportation Commission grant to start final design, so it would take some time before installation could be done.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Dorsey moved to approve the item, seconded by Commissioner Peskin.

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, and Walton (8)

Absent: Commissioners Chan, Safaí, and Stefani (3)

**7. Amend the Adopted Fiscal Year 2023/24 Budget to Increase Revenues by \$5,104,102, and Decrease Expenditures by \$9,414,037, and Decrease Other Financing Sources by \$15,000,000 for a Total Net Decrease in Fund Balance of \$1,324,367 – ACTION**

Lily Yu, Principal Management Analyst, presented the item per the staff memorandum.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Dorsey moved to approve the item, seconded by Commissioner Preston.

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safaí, and Walton (9)

Absent: Commissioners Chan and Stefani (2)



## **Other Items**

### **8. Introduction of New Items - INFORMATION**

There were no new items introduced.

### **9. Public Comment**

During public comment, Roland Lebrun expressed gratitude to SFGovTV for switching the live broadcast to YouTube when Granicus went down but noted he could not enable closed captioning. He suggested reaching out to BART or the City of San Jose for technical assistance.

### **10. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:08 a.m.