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SFCTA Item 8 DTX Phasing Study Final Report

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Dear Chair Mandelman and Commissioners,

While I do appreciate the urgency behind the expedited entry of the DTX into the Federal New Starts Program, please consider amending the staff recommendations as follows:

1) Advancing the design of the MUNI/BART pedestrian connector.

2) Deferring the design of the train box extension until the next Transbay Crossing informs the footprint <u>AND ELEVATIONS</u> of the Transit Center's northern throat (between Beale Street and Main Street).

3) Following former Mayor of London Boris Johnson's lead and eliminating all ventilation/evacuation structures between the 4th & Townsend station and the Salesforce Transit Center:

"The Mayor of London, Boris Johnson, today welcomed news that **Crossrail has** <u>reached agreement with the London Fire Brigade (LFB)</u> to remove eight of the proposed permanent access and ventilation shafts from the central tunneled section of the new railway."

"The removal of the shafts means the **elimination of construction works impacts, including lorry journeys**, in these areas. In addition, **a number of properties** in Hanbury Street in east London **will no longer need to be compulsorily purchased and demolished**."

"As the design has developed we have been able to devise alternative solutions and <u>apply lessons from other engineering projects such as the Channel Tunnel</u> <u>Rail Link.</u>"

"In the event of an emergency, the evacuation and intervention strategy will involve <u>the use of cross-passages in lieu of a number of access and ventilation</u> <u>shafts.</u> Where applicable, passengers will now evacuate through the cross-passages into the non-incident tunnel and to the nearest station. <u>The cross-passages will</u>

also allow the fire brigade to get closer to the scene of any incident in clean air via the unaffected tunnel."

https://www.crossrail.co.uk/news/articles/impact-crossrail-construction-to-be-lessened-aseight-shafts-are-removed-from-tunnel-design

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Respectfully presented for your consideration.

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DTX Phasing Report & Release of Funds

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To the members of the Transportation Authority Board,

It is my pleasure to recommend the passage of Item 8 on the September 14th agenda, including the Phasing Study Final Report, Support of the DTX Phasing Strategy, and the release of \$2,644,557 as defined under the previously allocated Prop K Sales Tax Funds.

As a long-standing member of the TJPA CAC, I have a continuing commitment to seeing the execution of this significant project that will bring benefits to citizens of the Bay Area and beyond. The release of the Prop K funds will ensure the advancement of this highly important project toward the next crucial steps.

Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to having additional input as the DTX Project moves forward,

Jackson Fahnestock