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Transportation meeting Feb 28,2023

'Mike Regan' via Clerk <clerk@sfcta.org>
Reply-To: Mike Regan <myoldgoat@yahoo.com>
To: "clerk@sfcta.org" <clerk@sfcta.org>

Mon, Feb 27, 2023 at 8:49 AM

Commissioners: Mandelman (Chair), Melgar (Vice Chair), Chan, Dorsey, Engardio, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani, and Walton.

I think your agenda should have started with the fiscal cliff crisis that is facing Muni, SP and Bart. Since the best way to start saving the money is to stop all of these costly projects that SFMTA is pushing all over the city. Stop the Lake Merced Quick Build, stop the slow street/neighborways malarkey, stop trying to take over the Great Highway, stop trying to take over Embarcadero, stop this talk about taking down the rest of the Central Freeway. We have had it!

I object to any more funds being diverted from transit to cycling. Less than 3% of the population cycle in this city and you believe you can force people to move from driving to cycling and your wrong. Please stop wasting our tax dollars on all of this anti car, progressive, woke ideas that are being pushed by the SFBC and SFWalk.

Your vision zero is a complete and utter failure. Remember Mar failed to listen to his constituents and suffered the consequences.

You all claim that you are doing this to battle climate change, well that's a load of hog wash. If that is really your goal then you should be embracing remote work/learn as that alone will get your carbon trips reduced.

Thanks

Mike Regan D7



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Public Comment for the Permanent Record re SFMTA Board Meeting, Tuesday, 2/28/23,10 AM - OBJECTION TO ITEM 6 on the Agenda

Judi Gorski <judigorski@gmail.com>

Mon, Feb 27, 2023 at 9:06 AM

To: Transportation Authority <clerk@sfcta.org>, Judi - gmail Gorski <judigorski@gmail.com>

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TO:
Clerk@SFCTA.org
Clerk of the Transportation Authority
1455 Market Street, 22nd Floor
San Francisco, CA 94103

FROM: Judi Gorski
judigorski@gmail.com

DATE: February 27, 2023

RE: Public Comment for the Permanent Record re SFMTA Board Meeting, Tuesday, 2/28/23,10 AM - OBJECTION TO ITEM 6 on the Agenda

Dear Clerk and Board Members,

Please enter into the permanent record this email as my Public Comment and Objection to Item 6 on SFMTA's Agenda for the Board Meeting, Tuesday, 2/28/23,10 AM.

I STRONGLY OBJECT to ITEM 6 on the Agenda which allocates PROP K funds to be spent on closing and slowing streets and removing parking in the name of achieving Vision Zero, because doing this has not and is not resulting in achieving Vision Zero; these changes only move traffic to add to the existing congestion and create increased dangers on a different street.

The SF Bicycle Coalition, WalkSF, and SFMTA's anti-car agenda that supports this policy with Prop K funds is not representative of the will of the majority of SF citizens and is creating tremendous transportation problems and more dangerous road conditions. On rainy and windy days like we've been experiencing more often, when almost everyone is driving, when families are shopping and trying to park close to public businesses and buildings, when seniors and the disabled are necessarily traveling in and trying to park their private vehicles, these changes are detrimental to the health and safety of all. PLEASE DO NOT SUPPORT ITEM 6.

Please acknowledge receipt of my public comment, and thank you for your anticipated consideration of it.

Respectfully submitted,
Judi Gorski, SF Resident 40+ years



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SFCTA Board Meeting: 2/28/2023@10:00 am: Item 6: Objection to any monies to support millions for more Bicycle and anti-car improvements

Stephen Gorski <sjgorskilaw@gmail.com>

Mon, Feb 27, 2023 at 11:46 AM

To: clerk@sfcta.org

Cc: MayorLondonBreed@sfgov.org, joel.engardio@sfgov.org, Myrna.Melgar@sfgov.org, connie.chan@sfgov.org, Aaron.Peskin@sfgov.org, Shamann Walton <shamann.walton@sfgov.org>

Dear Clerk and Board Members:

I vehemently oppose any monies from Prop K or elsewhere to be approved for Bicycle and anti-vehicle purposes such as Great Highway Signal Upgrades, nearly \$500,000, and FY23 Vision Zero Quick Build Program Implementation, nearly \$350,000. Those programs have not been defined properly and the Walk public needs more discussion on them. The Great Highway Signal Upgrades do not describe the scope of the work and the Vision Zero Plan Quick Build is not adequately described. I understand that Vision Zero has not been a success and more and current data is necessary.

Lastly, we believe WalkSF supporters drafted a sample letter to inundate the Board with support letters without limiting it to SF residents so as to exaggerate its support by the public. The data used by said groups on closing roads do not support the conclusion that these improvements will do anything to improve traffic flow or benefit residents with safer streets nor improve their health. All it will do is move traffic from one street and increase traffic on adjacent streets.

Please do not be fooled by their false and misleading "propaganda" as they have adopted the same methods as the Bicycle Coalition to deceive the public. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Stephen J. Gorski, 40+ year Resident of the Outer Sunset and Voter.

Sent from my iPad



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Prop K and Prop AA Funds

Maura Lewis <maura.a@gmail.com>
To: clerk@sfcta.org

Mon, Feb 27, 2023 at 3:45 PM

Dear Transit Authority,

Please DO NOT capitulate any more to the lobbyists from the bicycle and WalkSF coalitions.

They are, as all lobbying groups, well organized. The rest of us are at the mercy of you doing the right thing for ALL San Franciscans.

Before more slow streets are added, before we spend more money for a few people to bike and walk where there are already bike lanes and sidewalks, please please conduct a proper Environmental Impact Study.

I understand one is not required; however, that does not mean one should not be done.

Closing/slowing streets is simply moving pollution from one area to another. It is not cutting down on overall emissions because motorists spend more time on the road than ever before.

Please do not make living here more difficult than it already is.

I understand you will be inundated with letters and calls from these well organized groups; that doesn't mean the rest of us don't care. It simply means we are not part of a lobbying group.

Thank you for your time and your service to the city.

Maura Lewis



San Francisco
County Transportation
Authority

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SFMTA Board Meeting, Tues., 2/28/23 - Funding allocations

Frank Noto <Frank@fnstrategy.com>
To: "clerk@sfcta.org" <clerk@sfcta.org>

Mon, Feb 27, 2023 at 3:48 PM

Board members,

I question the utility of spending more funds on closing and slowing streets because it has not resulted in achieving Vision Zero, and it tends to move traffic to add to congestion on different streets.

Frank Noto



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NO MORE spending on Slow Streets which isn't helping anything

LDY <harris.rose@att.net>

Mon, Feb 27, 2023 at 3:49 PM

Reply-To: LDY <harris.rose@att.net>

To: "clerk@sfcta.org" <clerk@sfcta.org>

Clerk of the Transportation Authority:

I Absolutely object objections & oppose approval of millions for more bicycle and anti-car improvements.

STOP with the Anti-Car "supposed" improvements NOW.

Slowing traffic on streets has just started it's own congestion problem.

Please Distribute my comments to the Members.Thank you,
Linda Yacobucci, 94102



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Opposing Item #6 on 2/24 10am agenda - no more money to non-core projects

'Marie Hurabiell' via Clerk <clerk@sfcta.org>
Reply-To: Marie Hurabiell <mhurabie@yahoo.com>
To: "clerk@sfcta.org" <clerk@sfcta.org>

Mon, Feb 27, 2023 at 4:17 PM

SFMTA needs to focus on it's core job: make Muni safe and effective, fill potholes, ensure the smooth and efficient flow of people moving around and in and out of the city. That's the job.

Stop everything else until you have performed these core functions. Slow Streets have created massive hostility among neighbors in formerly peaceful neighborhoods - that is the opposite of the job of government. Stop funding projects that do not address core issues until you've nailed the basics.

Right now SFMTA is moving problems around - one street is slow and then another is seeing increased traffic, pollution and road rage. You have not achieved Vision Zero and worse, you have reduced emergency response times and made a lot of residents miserable.

Marie Hurabiell
Fighting for a better SF



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MEETING 2/28

Teri Shaw <terishaw@pacbell.net>
To: clerk@sfcta.org

Mon, Feb 27, 2023 at 4:22 PM

Given the budget shortfalls and the poor conditions of the streets and public transit I strenuously object to any more money, not already allocated and the funding identified, go to Slow Streets. You have already created one of the most divisive policies in recent memory and allocating more money is another example of the fiscal irresponsibility of the SFMTA. Tumlin didn't even know how much had been spent on traffic calming measures on Lake Street which is a small example of the fiscal irresponsibility of this Agency. Audit them. We want to know how much \$ in "contracts" goes to SFBC, WalkSafe, SFBikeBus and all the other hangers on that wouldn't survive without SFMTA subsidies.

Thank you,
Teri Shaw
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Sent from my iPhone



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SFMTA Board Meeting Tues 2/28/23--Funding Allocations OPPOSING #6 on 2/24 agenda item

Stephanie Lehman <slehman21@yahoo.com>

Mon, Feb 27, 2023 at 4:41 PM

Reply-To: Stephanie Lehman <slehman21@yahoo.com>

To: "elijah.saunders@sfcta.org" <elijah.saunders@sfcta.org>, "clerk@sfcta.org" <clerk@sfcta.org>

Board Members,

I question the utility of spending more funds on closing and slowing streets because it has not resulted in achieving Vision Zero, and it tends to move traffic to add to congestion on different streets.

As a resident of Lake street I can personally attest to the ways in which your policies regarding slow streets has destroyed a once harmonious community. The entire slow street program, as administered, is illegal under AB773 as well as state law and your refusal to listen to the majority of the residents affected by these changes is outrageous.

Pandering to the bike coalition and other "anti-car" groups when your job is to provide for safe, reliable public transit that ALL residents can utilize, is unethical, ableist, elitist and short-sighted.

DO NOT spend one more penny on closing and slowing streets.

Stephanie Lehman



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Opposition to more money for vision zero

Alison Fong <ayfong1@gmail.com>
To: clerk@sfcta.org

Mon, Feb 27, 2023 at 4:52 PM

Vision Zero is a failure. Look at the stats! There are more fatalities than ever.

We need to keep pedestrians and cyclists safe, and Vision Zero doesn't work.

Stop throwing money at a program that fails. And this includes Slow Streets.

Improve our public transit system! We need it more than ever. Prioritize public transit!

Thank you,
Alison Fong - District 1

Alison Fong
415-652-2004
Please note my new email address: ayfong1@gmail.com



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Transportation meeting 2/28 public comment

Victoire <victoirereynal@gmail.com>
To: clerk@sfcta.org

Mon, Feb 27, 2023 at 4:53 PM

No more money so the SFMTA keeps closing streets and using funds for pet projects instead of fixing our dangerous and broken transportation system .

Thank you
Victoire Reynal

Sent from my iPhone



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Public Comments 2/28/23 Meeting

'Charles Perkins' via Clerk <clerk@sfcta.org>
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To: Transportation Authority <clerk@sfcta.org>

Mon, Feb 27, 2023 at 4:57 PM

Dear Clerk and Board Members:

I am tired of public tax dollars being spent to advance the anti-driver agenda of the Bike Coalition and WalkSF special interest groups who, at their cores, are political lobbying organizations. Four-fifths of all San Franciscans must drive cars at times (with families, working folks, and persons with disabilities having the greatest need), and every street closure, parking space removal, lane closure, etc., etc. just forces them to be in their cars longer (many burning fossil fuels) and makes the surrounding streets more dangerous and the streets of San Francisco overall more dangerous (as evidenced by the complete Vision Zero failure despite the unending Bike Coalition-approved public projects. Stop giving our tax dollars to these special interests and start using them instead to advance the use of electric vehicles in SF, which indisputably is the most effective way to combat climate change. The federal and state governments recognize this, as do most significant localities other than San Francisco.

As to the February 23 agenda, I vehemently oppose any monies from Prop K or elsewhere to be approved for Bicycle and anti-vehicle purposes such as Great Highway Signal Upgrades, nearly \$500,000, and FY23 Vision Zero Quick Build Program Implementation, nearly \$350,000.

Those programs have not been defined properly and the public needs more discussion on them. The Great Highway Signal Upgrades do not describe the scope of the work and the Vision Zero Plan Quick Build is not adequately described. I understand that Vision Zero has not been a success and more and current data is necessary.

Lastly, we believe WalkSF supporters drafted a sample letter to inundate the Board with support letters without limiting it to SF residents so as to exaggerate its support by the public. The data used by said groups on closing roads do not support the conclusion that these improvements will do anything to improve traffic flow or benefit residents with safer streets nor improve their health. All it will do is move traffic from one street and increase traffic on adjacent streets. This will only increase the lack of safety and the health hazards caused by increased GHG pollution on adjacent streets.

Please do not be fooled by their false and misleading "propaganda" as they have adopted the same methods as the Bicycle Coalition to deceive the public. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Charles Perkins
San Francisco



This message has been automatically translated: Icelandic -> English.

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Stop spending money on bike lanes!

Nick Podell <nick@podell.com>
To: "clerk@sfcta.org" <clerk@sfcta.org>

Mon, Feb 27, 2023 at 5:38 PM

Fix Muni Fix Muni Fix Muni!

Nick



Elijah Saunders <elijah.saunders@sfcta.org>

OBJECT to Millions more for Bikes and Anti-Car improvements - SFMTA Board Meeting

'Margot Beall' via Clerk <clerk@sfcta.org>
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To: clerk@sfcta.org

Mon, Feb 27, 2023 at 6:14 PM

Dear Board of Supervisors-

I'm making a comment for the public record that I am **ADAMANTLY OPPOSED** to money being spent on closing and slowing streets because it has not resulted in achieving Vision Zero, and it only moves traffic to add to congestion on a different street.

I've lived off Lake Street for 20yrs, Slow Streets has made Lake Street far more dangerous for everyone.

thank you-
Margot



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Fwd: J Church Improvement project, Feb 28, 2023

SFCTA Info <info@sfcta.org>
To: clerk@sfcta.org

Tue, Feb 28, 2023 at 8:43 AM

San Francisco County Transportation Authority

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From: **Edward Mason** <zabredala3@yahoo.com>
Date: Mon, Feb 27, 2023 at 3:43 PM
Subject: J Church Improvement project, Feb 28, 2023
To: Sfcta Info <info@sfcta.org>

Commissioners:

The J Church Improvement Project requires serious consideration for a cost benefit analysis. Documentation estimates that a 5% travel time savings between 30th and Market Street is anticipated. The 20 minute trip per the timetable, equates to one minute travel time savings for the estimated million of dollars. Eliminating four way stops in the segment between 25th and 30th will only increase the potential for speeding autos. Pedestrian Flashing beacons must be incorporated. The 80 foot boarding islands translates to two car trains and eventual elimination of the Liberty Street Stop.

Vague improvement statements require full explanation of what they mean. Complete public participation with MTA must occur this Spring.

Edward Mason