

# OMI CULTURAL PARTICIPATION PROJECT

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## San Francisco County Transportation Authority (SFCTA)

Attn: Clerk and San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
1455 Market Street, 22nd Floor  
San Francisco, CA 94103

### Re: Revocation of Support for the SFMTA "Bike & Rolling Plan"

Dear SFCTA, SFMTA, and San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

On behalf of the OMI Cultural Participation Project, I am writing to formally revoke our previous support for the SFMTA "Bike & Rolling Plan."

While our organization has long been an advocate for equitable transportation solutions that enhance mobility for all communities, we can no longer endorse this initiative due to additional legislative measures that have been included, which we strongly oppose. These measures were mentioned in today's meeting in Room 250 at San Francisco City Hall.

Specifically, we are deeply concerned about the proposed implementation of 24-hour paid parking spaces and tolls to access downtown San Francisco. These measures place an undue financial burden on residents, particularly those from underserved communities like San Francisco District 11, who rely on affordable access to transportation.

The introduction of such fees would disproportionately affect working-class families, small business owners, and community-based organizations such as ours, making it more difficult to engage in cultural and economic activities across the city.

Our mission is to promote inclusivity, accessibility, and economic opportunity within San Francisco's diverse communities of District 11, including the OMI, Excelsior, Mission Terrace and Crocker-Amazon. This plan initially seemed harmless when we first supported, but the additional measures go against everything we stand for.

The additional policies attached to the "Bike & Rolling Plan" contradict these values and hinder the progress we strive to achieve. While we remain supportive of sustainable and safe mobility options, we cannot endorse a plan that exacerbates financial inequities and restricts equitable access to our city's resources, especially to the Black & Latino/Hispanic communities of District 11 and citywide.

We urge the SFMTA to reconsider these add-ons, and to work towards a transportation strategy that does not impose further economic hardships on the communities we serve. We welcome the opportunity to engage in further discussions, on how we can collaboratively develop a more just and inclusive transportation plan for all San Franciscans.

For posterity, please add this letter to the public record. Thank you for your time and consideration.

With best regards,



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