



MINUTES

San Francisco County Transportation Authority

Tuesday, March 11, 2025

1. Roll Call

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

Present at Roll Call: Commissioners Chen, Dorsey, Engardio, Fielder, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, and Walton (10)

Absent at Roll Call: Commissioner Chan (entered during Item 6) (1)

2. Community Advisory Committee Report – INFORMATION

CAC Chair Kat Siegal reported that at the February CAC meeting, the CAC reviewed the Prop L 5YPP amendment for Muni Maintenance and Rehabilitation and received a presentation on SFMTA's Vision Zero emission transition plan, the battery electric bus pilot evaluation, and the future of trolley buses, following a prior CAC request that aligned with the Kirkland Yard electrification project.

She said that after discussion, several CAC members and public commenters voiced concerns about battery electric buses' cost-effectiveness and reliability and as a result, the CAC severed the Kirkland Yard project from the 5YPP amendment and failed to adopt a motion of support for it. She stated that the CAC unanimously approved the remainder of the 5YPP amendment.

She stated the CAC also reviewed the \$2 million Prop L fund allocation item for three requests and that several members, including the District 7 representative, raised concerns that the Monterey safety project would not sufficiently improve pedestrian safety, particularly at the Monterey and Acadia intersection. She stated that SFMTA's pedestrian program manager had committed to working with the District 7 representative on additional safety improvements.

Lastly, she said the CAC received a detailed Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) polling update on the regional transportation revenue measure from staff, which remained a key area of interest.

There was no public comment.

3. Approve the Minutes of the February 25, 2025 Meetings - ACTION

During public comment, Roland Lebrun said that there was an error regarding a comment he had made on page 8 of the minutes.

Staff confirmed that the correction would be made.

Commissioner Mandelman moved to approve the minutes, with the requested correction, seconded by Commissioner Chen.

The minutes were approved without objection by the following vote:



Ayes: Commissioners Chen, Dorsey, Engardio, Fielder, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, and Walton (10)

Absent: Commissioner Chan (1)

4. Appoint Zameel Imaduddin as the District 11 Representative to the Community Advisory Committee - ACTION

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

Zameel Imaduddin spoke to his interests and qualifications for serving on the CAC, emphasizing youth-driven change and his experience in policy, advocacy, and grassroots efforts.

Commissioner Chen stated she was excited to support the appointment of a high school youth passionate about public policy, community development, and sustainable transit. She highlighted Mr. Imaduddin's lived experiences growing up in District 11 and relying on public transit daily. She said he had stated his dedication to community engagement, empathy for transit riders, and the importance of multi-lingual outreach and education and that he had also advocated for transit equity audits to improve access for vulnerable communities. Ms. Chen said his impressive resume included an internship at the MTC, involvement in the Muslim Student Association, and participation in the varsity debate team. Commissioner Chen said she was eager to collaborate with Mr. Imaduddin as a member of the CAC, adding that she was thrilled to see young people stepping up with solutions.

During public comment, Michael Petrelis stated his support for Mr. Imaduddin's nomination and asked the Board to support his appointment.

Commissioner Chen moved to approve the motion, seconded by Commissioner Fielder.

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Chen, Dorsey, Engardio, Fielder, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, and Walton (10)

Absent: Commissioner Chan (1)

5. State and Federal Legislation Update – ACTION

Amber Crabbe, Senior Public Policy Manager, presented the item per the staff memorandum.

Chair Melgar asked when the current cap and trade authorization expired and when action was needed to extend it.

Ms. Crabbe responded that the current program would expire in 2030. She added that the Transportation Authority's advocacy included seeking authorization well before that, in the next year or so and noted that extending the program was likely to increase quarterly auction proceeds. She stated that the Transit Intercity Rail Capital Program, which is funded by cap and trade, would also be able to make additional multi-year funding commitments again once revenues were available past 2030.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Mandelman moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner



Dorsey.

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Chen, Dorsey, Engardio, Fielder, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, and Walton (10)

Absent: Commissioner Chan (1)

6. Increase the Amount of the Professional Services Contract with WMH Corporation by \$1,500,000, to a Total Amount Not to Exceed \$2,650,000 for the Design Phase for the Yerba Buena Island Multi-Use Path Project for Segments 3 and 4 and Yerba Buena Island Transit Lane – ACTION

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

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Mandelman moved to approve the item, seconded by Commissioner Mahmood.

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Chan, Chen, Dorsey, Engardio, Fielder, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, and Walton (11)

Absent: 0

7. Amend the Prop L 5-Year Prioritization Program for Muni Maintenance, Rehabilitation, and Replacement – ACTION

Nick Smith, Senior Transportation Planner, presented the item per the staff memorandum.

Chair Melgar asked whether Kirkland Yard Electrification project would involve the conversion of buses from one technology to another. Chris Lozano, Section Director of Development & Assistant Building Progress Program Manager at SFMTA, replied that Kirkland yard supported hybrid-diesel buses and the project would convert the facility to support battery-electric buses (BEBs).

Chair Melgar asked for further clarification whether the funds for the Kirkland Yard Electrification Project would support conversion of trolley coaches to BEBs and why the CAC discussion centered around the conversion of trolley coaches. Mr. Lozano confirmed that there was no plan to convert trolley coaches to BEBs as part of the Kirkland Yard Electrification project.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Mandelman moved to approve the item, seconded by Commissioner Sauter.

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Chan, Chen, Dorsey, Engardio, Fielder, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, and Walton (11)

Absent: 0



8. Allocate \$2,000,000 in Prop L Funds, with Conditions, for Three Requests – ACTION

Anna LaForte, Deputy Director for Policy and Programming, presented the item per the staff memorandum.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Mandelman moved to approve the item, seconded by Commissioner Fielder.

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Chan, Chen, Dorsey, Engardio, Fielder, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, and Walton (11)

Absent: 0

9. Award a Two-Year Professional Services Contract, with Options to Extend for Three Additional One-Year Periods, to SPTJ Consulting in an Amount Not to Exceed \$600,000 for Computer Network and Maintenance Services – ACTION

Cynthia Fong, Deputy Director for Finance and Administration, presented the item per the staff memorandum.

Commissioner Sherrill asked for staff to clarify how many years the \$600,000 was meant to cover.

Ms. Fong clarified that it was over the two-year base contract period.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Mandelman moved to approve the item, seconded by Commissioner Sherrill.

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Chan, Chen, Dorsey, Engardio, Fielder, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, and Walton (11)

Absent: 0

Other Items

10. Introduction of New Items - INFORMATION

There were no new items introduced.

11. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

12. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:49 a.m.