

Memorandum

AGENDA ITEM 3

DATE: June 24, 2025

TO: Treasure Island Mobility Management Agency Board

FROM: Tilly Chang – Executive Director

SUBJECT: 06/24/25 Board Meeting: Executive Director's Report – **INFORMATION**

REGIONAL, STATE AND FEDERAL ISSUES

U.S. EPA Terminates Community Change Grant for TIMMA. Last December, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) awarded a \$20 million Community Change Grant to TIMMA for a collection of Treasure Island transportation improvements called Treasure Island Connects, including a microtransit pilot service to San Francisco, a free on-island shuttle, and a transportation resource center to be operated by One Treasure Island, a new electric bus and enhanced Muni service on the 25 line, electric ferry charging infrastructure, and bikeshare expansion to Treasure Island. After the grant was paused for several months, on May 1, we received a letter of termination stating that the objectives of the award are no longer consistent with the EPA's funding priorities. We are very disappointed by this development and are coordinating with the City Attorney's office to evaluate our next steps. At the Chair's direction, we are seeking alternative funding sources to allow TIMMA to implement as many of these projects as possible.

TIMMA, SFCTA, and City and County of San Francisco Join King County v Turner Litigation to Protect Federal Funds. Last month, TIMMA joined the Transportation Authority, the City and County of San Francisco, and a number of other entities across the nation in a lawsuit against the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and U.S. Department of Transportation to protect existing and prospective federal grants from unlawful and politically motivated funding conditions, including those related to diversity, equity, and inclusion and immigration enforcement. A federal district court in Washington State has granted a preliminary injunction against the imposition of these terms which allows us to execute grant agreements and amendments while the injunction is in place. We will keep the Boards apprised of further developments. We thank the City Attorney's Office for leading and coordinating this litigation effort.

San Francisco Leaders Visit NYC to study their Congestion Relief Zone (CRZ). On March 20-21, 2025, a delegation from San Francisco including TIMMA Chair Dorsey,

Transportation Authority Chair Melgar, Commissioner Chen, legislative aides Madison Tam and Emma Hare, and Transportation Authority staff visited New York City to study their Congestion Relief Zone (CRZ) and Pricing Program. Since it began operating on January 5, the program has run smoothly and is performing as expected: traffic congestion is down, commute times by private vehicles and buses are shorter, transit ridership is up, and foot traffic is up. The San Francisco delegation met with senior officials at New York's Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) as well as members of the Traffic Mobility Review Board; the MTA's Permanent Citizens Advisory Committee; the Regional Plan Association; Partnership for NYC and Riders Alliance. We toured the CRZ in the field and met with the system operator Transcore and learned about the policies and process that led to the CRZ's implementation. We thank all of our hosts for their time, valuable insights and gracious hospitality. We will keep the Board apprised as MTA's lawsuit challenging the US Department of Transportation's termination of the program makes its way through the legal system. Meanwhile, the program continues to operate successfully. For more information about New York's program, see mta.info/project/CBDTP.

PROJECT DELIVERY

Multimodal Bay Skyway Project - SCCP Application Unsuccessful; Project Team

Continues to Seek Other Funds and Advance Project. Last November, the Transportation Authority, Bay Area Toll Authority (BATA), and California Department of Transportation submitted a \$71 million application to the statewide competitive Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (SCCP) for the Multimodal Bay Skyway Project. If successful, the SCCP grant would have funded \$38.4 million of the Transportation Authority's Yerba Buena Island Multi-Use Path & Transit Lane (YBI MUP) project and \$3.2 million of the Treasure Island ferry charging infrastructure project, both components of the overall Multimodal Bay Skyway. We learned earlier in June that the application was not recommended for funding. While disappointed, TIMMA and the Transportation Authority will continue to work with project partners to identify and secure additional funds.

West Side Bridges Retrofit Progress - On Budget, On Schedule to Open Late 2026.

The Transportation Authority continues to make good progress on the West Side Bridges and Hillcrest Road Improvement projects, which are part of a larger multi-modal infrastructure improvement program on the Islands that supports the Treasure Island Transportation Program. The West Side Bridges Retrofit project will rehabilitate or reconstruct eight bridge structures along Treasure Island Road and the Hillcrest Road

Improvement project will upgrade the roadway to modern roadway and seismic standards and provide additional space for pedestrians and bicyclists. Both projects are over 50% complete. The project team is exploring options to incorporate more MUP improvements while a significant length of roadway is closed due to the construction detour in place by the West Side Bridges and Hillcrest contracts. This includes searching for ways to accelerate a portion of the MUP design to seek construction bids in early spring 2026 including request for proposals for construction management professional services.

MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

TIMMA, Transportation Authority, and Partners Present at New York City Equity Summit. In April, I was pleased to participate in the second annual Equity in Motion Summit, hosted by the New York City Department of Transportation. This one-day summit brought together industry, government, academia, and community-based organizations shared insights on advancing equity in the planning, delivery, and operations of transportation. Staff member Suany Chough and Nella Goncalves from One Treasure Island led a session on planning with, not for, communities, and I joined a panel discussing equity issues around congestion pricing. The summit was a great opportunity to share our work in San Francisco with practitioners and community members from across the country.