

Memorandum

AGENDA ITEM 3

DATE: July 22, 2025

TO: Treasure Island Mobility Management Agency Board: Commissioners Dorsey (Chair), Chan, Chen, Engardio, Fielder, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, and Walton

FROM: Tilly Chang – Executive Director

SUBJECT: 07/22/25 Board Meeting: Executive Director's Report – **INFORMATION**

REGIONAL, STATE AND FEDERAL ISSUES

TIMMA Joins EPA Class Action Lawsuit. In May, TIMMA received a letter from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), unlawfully terminating the \$20 million grant received in 2024 for a collection of transportation improvements on Treasure Island. On June 25, TIMMA joined the City and County of San Francisco and a coalition of community-based nonprofit organizations, Tribes, local governments and higher education institutions in suing the Trump Administration for unlawfully terminating the EPA's Environmental and Climate Justice Grant programs. The lawsuit seeks to certify a class of all 350 recipients of EPA grants and to restore the funding that addresses environmental harms in disadvantaged communities across the country. We thank City Attorney David Chiu and his staff for their support and leadership on this litigation. The City Attorney's press release can be found [here](#).

Grant Funding Applications in Progress: At Chair Dorsey's direction, we are seeking funding to support projects included in Treasure Island Connects, the program that was to be funded by the EPA grant. We applied for funding for bikeshare operations from the Transportation Authority's Transportation Fund for Clean Air program; final approval of the program of projects will be considered at the July 22 Transportation Authority Board meeting. The award would require us to confirm that the project is fully funded by next February. In addition, we worked with the Treasure Island Development Authority and the John Stewart Company on an application for \$7 million of operating funds from the state Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities program, for the Treasure Island electric ferry service, to be operated by SF Bay Ferry, and funds for an additional bus shelter at the Ferry Terminal. We thank TIDA and the John Stewart Company for their partnership and look forward to positive news in December.

LOCAL ISSUES

Interim Treasure Island Ferry Service Ridership Trending Upward. We are pleased to report that ridership on the interim Treasure Island ferry has been increasing year-over-year. Last year, ferry ridership reached an all-time high, boosted by the monthly Treasure Fest festival, with over 47,000 rides taken in 2024. The first quarter of 2025 has seen an average of 100 daily rides, which is 64% higher than the first quarter of 2024 and 150% higher than the first quarter of 2023. We are encouraged to see ridership growth on transit services to Treasure Island and look forward to bringing the Treasure Island Ferry Business Plan Study to the TIMMA Committee and Board this fall.