



DRAFT MINUTES

San Francisco County Transportation Authority

Tuesday, June 09, 2026

1. Roll Call

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

Present at Roll Call: Commissioners Chen, Mahmood, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, and Wong (6)

Absent at Roll Call: Commissioners Chan (entered during Item 9), Dorsey, Fielder, Mandelman (entered during Item 2), and Walton (5)

2. Approve the Minutes of the May 19, 2026 Meetings - ACTION

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Chen moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Sherrill.

The minutes were approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Chen, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, and Wong (7)

Absent: Commissioners Chan, Dorsey, Fielder, and Walton (4)

3. Community Advisory Committee Report – INFORMATION

Kat Siegal, Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Chair, reported that at the May CAC meeting, the CAC discussed the Inner Sunset Transportation Study Final Report, generally supported the recommendations, requested faster implementation of near-term improvements, and unanimously approved the study recommendations. She continued by reporting that the CAC further deliberated on the Inner Sunset Bike Connection Project which included a funding request for two of the aforementioned study recommendations; severed it from the other grouped Prop L allocations, amended the recommendation to fund only the bicycle connection feasibility assessment and not the 7th Avenue bike lanes, and approved the remaining nine proposal allocations.

Chair Siegal also reported that the CAC held lengthy discussions on the Central Subway North Beach Extension Study and the Geary/19th Avenue Subway Study which touched on concerns regarding transit funding, potential service and job losses, project funding prospects, and transit service reliability, and then approve both items on split votes. She added that some CAC members and public commenters requested an analysis of past Central Subway cost overruns and strategies to prevent similar cost increases in future work.

There was no public comment.



4. Adopt the Inner Sunset Transportation Study Final Report – ACTION

Andrew Heidel, Principal Transportation Planner, presented the item per the staff memorandum.

Chair Melgar appreciated the presentation, noting she had requested the study, and commented that she would have preferred bolder recommendations in two specific areas, the first of which pertained to the bike lanes. She stated that she supported painted bicycle lanes on 7th Avenue to improve safety and not let the perfect get in the way of the better and said she was eager to implement solutions that the community supported. Chair Melgar also expressed support for a 'westside wiggle', noting that is the way many cyclists on the southwest side get to the Inner Sunset, Golden Gate Park and then the panhandle. She observed that the 6th ('westside wiggle') and 7th avenue routes supported different destinations and said improving both routes would improve bicycle access and safety.

Chair Melgar continued by noting that the second area where she wished recommendations were bolder - also called out by the CAC - was related to illegal double parking along Irving Street, which regularly delayed N Judah service, which in turn backed up cars, caused issues for pedestrians, etc. She opined that physical barriers could help address the issue and said that she would continue working with SFMTA to seek funding to address the problem, although the improvement was not included in the study. Chair Melgar said she understand why this corridor was part of a robust discussion at the CAC meeting and she expressed appreciation for the many perspectives on the very busy, multimodal corridor, which is also one of the most successful commercial corridors.

During public comment, Rachel Clyde from San Francisco Bicycle Coalition stated that she supported the Study's bicycle safety recommendations, stated that safety was a primary consideration for bicyclists, and expressed support for improvements on both the 7th Avenue and 5th Avenue/6th Avenue routes to provide multiple, safe bicycle connections through the Inner Sunset.

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

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Chen, Mahmood, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, and Wong (6)

Absent: Commissioners Chan, Dorsey, Fielder, Mandelman, and Walton (5)

5. Allocate \$22,651,000 in Prop L Funds and Allocate \$1,860,572 in Prop AA Funds, with Conditions, for Ten Requests – ACTION

Rachel Seiberg, Transportation Planner, presented the item per the staff memorandum.

During public comment, Rachel Clyde from San Francisco Bicycle Coalition voiced her support for the Inner Sunset Bike Connection and Safe Routes to School Non-Infrastructure projects.

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

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Chen, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, and Wong (7)



Absent: Commissioners Chan, Dorsey, Fielder, and Walton (4)

6. Amend the Prop K Standard Grant Agreement for the District 2 Safety Study and Implementation [NTIP Planning and Capital] (Project) to Update the Project Scope, Schedule, Cost, and Funding Plan; and Release \$430,000 on Reserve to Implement District 2 Safety Study Near-Term Recommendations – ACTION

Rachel Seiberg, Transportation Planner, presented the item per the staff memorandum.

There was no public comment.

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

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Chen, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, and Wong (7)

Absent: Commissioners Chan, Dorsey, Fielder, and Walton (4)

7. Adopt the Proposed Fiscal Year 2026/27 Budget and Work Program – ACTION

Lily Yu, Finance Manager, presented the item per the staff memorandum.

There was no public comment.

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

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Chen, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, and Wong (7)

Absent: Commissioners Chan, Dorsey, Fielder, and Walton (4)

8. Allocate \$180,800 in Prop L Funds, with Conditions, to the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency and Appropriate \$49,900 in Prop L Funds, with Conditions, for the Central Subway North Beach Extension Study – ACTION

Andrew Heidel, Principal Transportation Planner, presented the item per the staff memorandum.

Vice Chair Sauter stated that he supported the project, acknowledged delays and cost overruns during the previous phase, and said that the project provided an opportunity to apply lessons learned. He added that the T Line was performing well and stated that extending service to North Beach and potentially Fisherman's Wharf could increase ridership. He reported that he shared CAC concerns regarding the project schedule and had requested delivery by the end of 2027 rather than mid-2028.

Commissioner Mandelman asked for more context on the unfurnished section of tunnel shown in the slide deck and how it related to the current project. He observed that major tunnel projects often advance incrementally over long periods and asked what information this phase of work would provide, what decisions it would inform, and what the next steps would be toward future tunnel construction and transit service expansion.

Mr. Heidel explained that the study focused on project phasing and evaluating whether



smaller segments of a Fisherman's Wharf extension could deliver benefits earlier and at a lower cost by leveraging existing infrastructure. He added that implementation would depend on local, regional, and state funding and stated that one objective of the study was to assess whether dividing the project into smaller segments could improve deliverability and expedite implementation.

Commissioner Mandelman asked whether a cost estimate and timeline had been developed for a full extension to Fisherman's Wharf and whether that work had been completed through a different planning effort.

Liz Brisson, Major Corridors Planning Manager at SFMTA, explained that prior planning work developed high-level cost estimates for multiple alignments and station locations for a Fisherman's Wharf extension. She stated that the current study focused on evaluating the cost, benefits, and feasibility of a North Beach extension as an incremental project using existing tunnel infrastructure. She added that this approach had not been considered in earlier planning work and said that the information would support future updates to major transit expansion priorities.

Commissioner Mandelman asked about the scale of the proposed project.

She stated that the estimated cost for a potential North Beach extension was in the hundreds of millions rather than exceeding one billion dollars for a longer extension.

Chair Melgar stated that she supported the project and the proposed incremental approach, which she said could advance the extension more quickly and at a lower cost. She added that delays and cost overruns associated with the Central Subway were valid concerns and stated that progress on the extension remained important. She observed that the line to Chinatown was heavily used and said that she supported efforts to improve service and advance the project.

There was no public comment.

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

The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Chen, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, and Wong (7)

Absent: Commissioners Chan, Dorsey, Fielder, and Walton (4)

9. Adopt the Geary/19th Ave Subway and Regional Connections Study Final Report – ACTION

Andrew Heidel, Principal Transportation Planner, presented the item per the staff memorandum.

Chair Melgar stated that she supported the study and highlighted the robust public engagement process and community feedback received during its development. She commented that 19th Avenue was a heavily congested corridor and said that improved connections to the regional transportation network would support planned growth, major institutions, and climate goals. She added that the study represented a positive step toward a more connected and accessible transportation system.

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



The item was approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Chan, Chen, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, and Wong (8)

Absent: Commissioners Dorsey, Fielder, and Walton (3)

- 10. Authorize an Additional Construction Allotment of \$2,000,000, for a Revised Additional Construction Allotment Not to Exceed \$3,896,564; and Approve a Contract Amendment with GHD Inc. in the Amount of \$324,000 for the Bimla Rhinehart Vista Point Pier Parking Lot Project – ACTION**
- 11. Award a Construction Contract to the Lowest Responsible and Responsive Bidder, Gordon N. Ball, Inc., in an Amount Not to Exceed \$12,351,339; Authorize an Additional Construction Allotment of \$6,051,268, for a Total Construction Allotment Not to Exceed \$18,402,607; Approve a Contract Amendment with WMH Corporation in the Amount of \$750,000 to Provide Design Support During Construction; and Authorize the Executive Director to Execute All Other Related Supporting and Supplemental Agreements for Treasure Island Road Improvement - Yerba Buena Island Multi-Use Pathway Segment 4 – ACTION**

Item 10 and Item 11 were called at the same time.

Yana Waldman, Project Manager, presented Item 10 per the staff memorandum.

Carl Holmes, Deputy Director for Capital Projects, presented Item 11 per the staff memorandum.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Sherrill moved to approve Item 10 and Item 11, seconded by Commissioner Mandelman.

Items 10 and 11 were approved without objection by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Chan, Chen, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill, and Wong (8)

Absent: Commissioners Dorsey, Fielder, and Walton (3)

Other Items

12. Introduction of New Items - INFORMATION

There were no new items introduced.

13. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

14. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:24 a.m.