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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT Metropolitan Transportation Commission June 22, 2022

New Appointments

Ayaka Habu– Ayaka started with MTC on June 13th as an Assistant Planner/Engineer- Shared and Micromobility in the Design and Project Delivery section.

Beth Frankland– Beth started with MTC on June 13th as a BAHFA Executive Assistant in the Bay Area Housing Finance Authority section.

Manuel Avalos– Manuel started with MTC on June 13th as an Assistant Housing Program Coordinator in the Regional Planning Program section.

Barry Roeder– Barry started with MTC on June 27th as a BAHFA Doorway Manager in the Bay Area Housing Finance Authority section.

Edrianne Aguilar– Edrianne started with MTC on June 27th as an Associate Engineer in the Design and Project Delivery section.

Andrew Tate– Andrew started with MTC on June 27th as an Innovative Projects Coordinator in the Technology Services section.

Katelyn Costa– Katelyn started with MTC on June 27th as an Associate Program Coordinator, Incident Management in the Field Operations and Asset Management section.

Key Updates

COVID-Related Activities

A reminder that all Covid-19 related reporting items can be found on our MTC webpage. We provide monthly updates on all related activities, and statistics that are affecting the region. The website address is below:

https://www.mtc.ca.gov/covid

Legislative Advocacy Trip Update

MTC Chair Pedroza and Vice Chair Josefowitz, along with Commissioner Schaaf, Commissioner Dutra-Vernaci and ABAG President Arreguin traveled to DC for our annual Legislative Advocacy Trip. This was the first in-person visit in several years due to the Covid pandemic. Our 2022 Report to Congress is focused on the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Grant Priorities and is available at: https://mtc.ca.gov/sites/default/files/documents/2022-06/2022 Report to Congress digital-Final.pdf

Sacramento Trip Update

Chair Pedroza, Commissioner's Spering and Worth, and ABAG Vice President Ramos were in Sacramento earlier this week to discuss state budget priorities and key bills of interest with Bay Area members and other state legislative leaders. Executive Director McMillan and other senior MTC staff, also participated in meeting with state representatives on important legislative initiatives that MTC is supporting earlier this week. Those discussions went well and updates will be forthcoming.

Clipper Next Generation Update

Equipment is now rolling out in the field to our transit partners. SMART is fully equipped with readers, and equipment is being installed on Muni buses as of the date of this report.

Next Generation Freeways Study

This is study that is exploring pricing strategies as a tool to reimagine our freeways for the next generation. *More details to come regarding community outreach this summer

West Oakland Link update

The Bay Area Toll Authority recently released the CEQA environmental document for the proposed 1.1-mile-long elevated pedestrian and bicycle pathway that will link West Oakland to the shoreline, part of the San Francisco Bay Trail. There will be a virtual public meeting on June 29, and the public comment period runs until July 14, 2022.

Items to Note

ABAG held its annual General Assembly on June 17th, 2022. The day included a Listening Session with Delegates on a potential 2024 Regional Housing Measure, an item of "interest to MTC and the Bay Area Housing Finance Authority (BAHFA)".

Due to the requirements of AB361, MTC, ABAG, and our other Entities will need to meet in August. We will work to time them so we could have one or two meetings to meet the 30 day mandate.

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