# METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION Meeting Transcript



1	PLANNING COMMITTEE
2	FRIDAY, APRIL 11 <sup>TH</sup> , 2025, 9:40 AM
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5	CHAIR MTC PC, EDDIE AHN: ALL RIGHT CALLING TO ORDER THIS
6	MEETING OF THE MTC PLANNING COMMITTEE THIS MEETING IS WEBCAST
7	ON THE MTC ABAG WEB SITES COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND MEMBERS OF THE
8	PUBLIC PARTICIPATING BY ZOOM WISHING TO SPEAK SHOULD USE THE
9	RAISED HAND FEATURE OR DIAL STAR NINE AND I WILL CALL UPON
10	THEM AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME. TELECONFERENCE ATTENDEES WILL BE
11	CALLED UPON BY THE LAST FOUR DIGITS OF THEIR PHONE NUMBER.
12	ROLL CALL VOTE WILL BE TAKEN FOR ALL ACTION ITEMS DUE TO
13	REMOTE PARTICIPANT PARTICIPATION. AND WITH THAT, ITEM TWO MTC
14	PLANNING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL.
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16	BOARD CLERK: AHN?
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18	CHAIR MTC PC, EDDIE AHN: HERE.
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20	BOARD CLERK: VICE CHAIR BURT?
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22	V. CHAIR MTC PC, PAT BURT: HERE.
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24	BOARD CLERK: ANDERSEN?
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1	CANDACE ANDERSEN: HERE.
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3	BOARD CLERK: CANEPA IS ABSENT. ASHCRAFT?
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5	MARILYN EZZY ASHCRAFT: PRESENT.
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7	BOARD CLERK: GIACOPINI, NON-VOTING.
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9	DOREEN GIACOPINI: HERE.
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11	BOARD CLERK: JOHN-BAPTISTE?
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13	ALICIA JOHN-BAPTISTE: HERE.
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15	BOARD CLERK: KAPLAN? MAHAN IS ABSENT. MASHBURN? IS ABSENT. WE
16	HAVE A QUORUM.
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18	V. CHAIR, EDDIE AHN MTC PC: WHICH BRINGS US TO AGENDA ITEM
19	THREE MTC PLANNING COMMITTEE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS 3A AND 3B
20	DO I HAVE A MOTION AND SECOND TO APPROVE THE MTC PLANNING
21	COMMITTEE CONSENT CALENDAR.
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23	MARILYN EZZY ASHCRAFT: EZZY ASHCRAFT MOVES APPROVAL.
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25	CHAIR MTC PC, EDDIE AHN: MOTION BY ASHCRAFT.



1 2 REBECCA KAPLAN: SECOND KAPLAN. 3 CHAIR MTC PC, EDDIE AHN: SECOND KAPLAN. ARE THERE ANY MTC 4 5 COMMITTEE MEMBERS THAT WOULD LIKE TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM? SEEING NONE. COMMISSIONER BURT. 6 7 8 V. CHAIR MTC PC, PAT BURT: SO THIS IS RESOLUTION NUMBER 3000, THAT'S WHAT WE'RE BASICALLY ADDRESSING? IS THAT RIGHT? OKAY. 9 SO, AS I WAS JUST READING THROUGH, ONE OF THE THINGS I WANTED 10 TO TOSS OUT FOR MAYBE FUTURE CONSIDERATION. AS WE MOVE FORWARD 11 VMT FOCUS AND A GHG RELATED FOCUS, AND MULTI-MODAL STRATEGIES, 12 WHAT WE HAVE DONE IS BASICALLY DISCOURAGED ANY CONSIDERATION 13 OF LEVEL OF SERVICE, IS MY UNDERSTANDING. AND INTENT WAS TO 14 15 HAVE A MORE HOLISTIC APPROACH TOWARD THESE MEASURES AND MY 16 CONCERN IS WE HAVE MOVED SO FAR IN THE VMT RELATED DIRECTION THAT WE'RE SAYING CONGESTION, LOCAL CONGESTION, JUST DOESN'T 17 MATTER. AND MY HOPE IS THAT WE CAN LOOK AT A MORE HOLISTIC 18 APPROACH THAT WOULD INCLUDE LOCAL CONGESTION, NOT RETURN TO 19 PRIOR FOCUS ON LEVEL OF SERVICE. BUT INCLUDE THAT IN 20 CONSIDERATIONS. AND I JUST WANTED TO TOSS THAT OUT THIS AND 21 SEE WHETHER OTHER COMMISSIONERS HAD ANY INTEREST IN EXPLORING 22 A POLICY ADJUSTMENT THAT WOULD EMBRACE ALL OF THOSE 23 APPROACHES? 24



1	CHAIR MTC PC, EDDIE AHN: YES, COMMISSIONER ASHCRAFT?
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3	EZZY ASHCRAFT: I AGREE WITH YOU STILL WITH OUR CONTRA COSTA
4	TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY WHILE SHIFTING TOWARD VMT LEVEL OF
5	SERVICE IS STILL IMPORTANT AND PLANNING FOR THE 19 CITIES AND
6	CONTRA COSTA COUNTY AS WELL AS ANY COUNTY PROJECTS I REALLY
7	NEED TO RELY ON LEVEL OF SERVICE TO SEE A TRUE IMPACT OF A
8	PROJECT PARTICULARLY WITH RHNA AS WE GET HIGHER DENSITY
9	HOUSING IT'S IRRESPONSIBLE FOR ME TO NOT LOOK AT LOS, I ALWAYS
10	UNDERSTOOD AS WELL AS WE'RE GOING THROUGH THE SHIFT WHILE VMT
11	POSITIVE IMPACT AND CLIMATE IMPACT AND MEASURABLE GOALS THAT
12	WE STILL NEED SOME FLEXIBILITY TO CONTINUE TO LOOK AT LOF, SO
13	I WHOLEHEARTEDLY AGREE WITH YOU THAT IT SHOULD BE ACKNOWLEDGED
14	TO SOMETHING THAT LOCAL AGENCIES CAN RELY UPON. BECAUSE IT'S
15	NEEDED.
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17	CHAIR MTC PC, EDDIE AHN: ANY OTHER COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS? YES?
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19	SUE NOACK: I WANT TO COMMENT WE USE THAT IN OUR CITY PLANNING
20	NOT REQUIRED BUT WE STILL USE IT AS A TOOL FOR EVALUATION SO I
21	WHOLEHEARTEDLY CONCUR WITH BOTH YOUR STATEMENTS.
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23	CHAIR MTC PC, EDDIE AHN: VICE CHAIR?



STEPHANIE MOULTON-PETERS: I WANT TO ADD MY VOICE IN SUPPORT AS 1 WELL, I THINK THIS IS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT IN SOME OF OUR 2 3 LESS URBANIZED COUNTIES FRANKLY ON THAT HAVE TO DEAL WITH LOCAL ARTERIALS AND FUNCTIONALITY. SO I SUPPORT THAT TOO. 4 5 CHAIR MTC PC, EDDIE AHN: WOULD YOU LIKE TO ANSWER THAT 6 7 OUESTION FOR US? 8 V. CHAIR MTC PC, PAT BURT: GIVEN THAT FEEDBACK I WANT TO TURN 9 10 TO STAFF. AS I READ THE RESOLUTION, IF I UNDERSTOOD IT CORRECTLY, IT REALLY TAKES A STRONG POSITION IN NOT WANTING TO 11 INCLUDE LEVEL OF SERVICE AS ONE OF THE FACTORS. DID I 12 UNDERSTAND THAT CORRECTLY? AND IF SO, GIVEN WHAT KIND OF 13 SENTIMENTS THAT WE JUST HEARD, WHAT ADJUSTMENTS OR 14 OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADJUSTMENT TO THE POLICY WOULD WE HAVE? 15 16 DAVE VAUTIN: THROUGH THE CHAIR. DAVE VAUTIN, PLANNING 17 DIRECTOR. AND I MAY ASK MY COLLEAGUE ADAM NOELTING TO JOIN IN, 18 I WANT TO TALK ABOUT LEVEL OF SERVICE AND VMT. AS YOU'RE ALL 19 AWARE SENATE BILL 143 IS A KEY PEEVES LEGISLATION IN THIS 20 SPACE. IT DOESN'T PRECLUDE JURISDICTIONS OR COUNTIES FROM 21 LOOKING AT LEVEL OF SERVICE, BUT IT CERTAINLY PLACES VMT AT A 22 KEY METRIC THAT NEEDS TO BE EVALUATED AND IT'S CRITICAL FOR 23 ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS. THIS PARTICULAR RESOLUTION BEFORE YOU 24

RELATES TO POLICY RELATED TO CONGESTION, MANAGEMENT PLANS AT



THE COUNTY SCALE. THERE IS OPT OUT, COUNTIES CAN OPT OUT OF 1 CONDUCTING SUCH PLANS AND CAN LOOK AT VARIETY OF BE METRICS IN 2 3 TERMS OF DOING THIS ANALYSIS IT'S REALLY ABOUT DELINEATING HOW DIFFERENT EXISTING POLICIES OF THE STATE AND REGIONAL LEVEL 4 5 CONNECT TO THOSE EFFORTS. I'M GOING TO ASK ADAM NOELTING TO 6 COME UP AND SHARE MORE ABOUT HOW THOSE PLANS ARE DEVELOPED. 7 8 ADAM NOELTING: ADAM NOELTING WITH PLANNING TEAM I JUST WANT TO POINT OUT THAT ONE OF THE THINGS FOR MTC'S ROLE IN THIS 9 PROCESS IS REALLY TO IDENTIFY CONSISTENCY WITH ALREADY DEFINED 10 PROCESS THROUGH THE STATE IN TERMS OF PREPARING, SO THE STATE 11 HAS DEFINED A ROLE OF MTC IN THIS PROCESS AND CONFIRM THAT 12 THERE IS SOME CONSISTENCY WITH THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION 13 PLAN WE AREN'T SETTING SPECIFIC METRICS THEY SHOULD LOOK AT IN 14 15 THEIR CMPS I THINK WE'RE ACKNOWLEDGING THAT THE STATE HAS MADE 16 THAT SHIFT TOWARDS MOVING MORE TOWARDS VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED GREENHOUSE GAS REDUCTION EMISSIONS MORE SO THAN THE CONGESTION 17 MEASURES THROUGH MAINLY ENVIRONMENTAL PROCESS THROUGH CEOA I 18 WANT TO CLARIFY A BIT ON TERMS OF WHAT MTC'S ROLE IS IN THIS 19 PROCESS IS REALLY TO IDENTIFY CONSISTENCY WITH THE REGIONAL 20 21 PLAN AND LOOKING AT THE THOSE DOCUMENTS. BUT IT DOESN'T PRECLUDE AGENCIES CMAS OR CTAS FROM USING CONGESTION IT'S 22 STILL A METRIC MANY OF THEM STILL PROBABLY ARE I KNOW THERE 23 HAS BEEN ONGOING MONITORING PROGRAMS, AND THAT INFORMATION IS 24 HELPFUL AND USEFUL TO TRACK INFORMATION OVER TIME TO SEE HOW



- 1 THINGS MAY IMPROVE OR CHANGE ON A GIVEN CORRIDOR WITHIN A
- 2 CAN'T. THERE ARE STILL REASONS THAT COUNTIES ARE LOOKING AT
- 3 CONGESTION MEASURES I THINK JUST ACKNOWLEDGING THERE IS OTHER
- 4 PLANNING HOLISTIC PLANNING PROCESS THAT MAY LOOK AT COUNTY-
- 5 WIDE TRANSPORTATION PLANS LOOK AT VMT CONGESTION THAT COULD BE
- 6 ONE OF THEM TRANSIT RIDERSHIP COULD BE ANOTHER MEASURE AND
- 7 PROCESSES AND PRIORITIES WITHIN THE COUNTY SO THAT'S
- 8 REFERENCING IN THE COVER MEMO MENTIONED WE ARE LOOKING AT
- 9 HAVING CONSIDERATION OPTING OUT OF THAT PROCESS THAT'S MORE
- 10 PRESCRIPTIVE IN THE CMP AND FLEXIBLE FOR EACH COUNTY TO
- 11 PREPARE. THAT'S WHERE WE COME FROM.

- 13 V. CHAIR MTC PC, PAT BURT: THAT'S HELPFUL. I WITHIN THE COVER
- 14 MISDEMEANOR OWE IT SAYS MTC HAS ENCOURAGED LOCAL JURISDICTIONS
- 15 OF THE OPT OUT PROCESS. AND THE BASIS FOR THAT WAS EMPHASIS ON
- 16 VMT OVER LOS. AND I THINK OVER IT IS APPROPRIATE, BUT AT THE
- 17 EXCLUSION OF IT IS THE CONCERN I HAVE. AND I'M CONCERNED THAT
- 18 OUR POLICY IS PUSHING TOWARD COUNTIES TO OPT OUT AND DO SO AT
- 19 THE EXCLUSION OF CONSIDERATION OF LEVEL OF SERVICE, VERSUS
- 20 DEEMPHASIZING THAT, AND A GREATER EMPHASIS ON VMT. I DON'T
- 21 KNOW WHERE TO GO FROM HERE ON HOW WE MIGHT REFINE THIS GOING
- 22 FORWARD SO THAT WE HAVE A LITTLE MORE OF A BALANCE. OR AT
- 23 LEAST STILL HAVE THAT CONSIDERATION. AND THAT'S WHAT I'M KIND
- 24 OF ASKING STAFF, HOW MIGHT WE PROCEED IF THAT SENTIMENT EXISTS
- 25 ON THE BOARD.



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2	CANDACE ANDERSEN: IF I COULD MAKE A SUGGESTION TOO, MAYBE EVEN
3	INCLUDE LANGUAGE MOVING FORWARD AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT THAT
4	CANDIDATES AND CITIES FIND VALUE IN LEVEL OF SERVICE IN THE
5	PLANNING ARENA. AND JUST SOMETHING ACKNOWLEDGING THAT, ARE
6	YES, YOU REALIZE THERE IS VALUE IN IT TO US, AND IT SHOULD NOT
7	BE AUTOMATICALLY BE EXCLUDED. I DON'T KNOW THAT YOU WOULDN'T
8	NECESSARILY CHANGE WHAT'S BEFORE US TODAY, NOT SUGGESTING
9	THAT, BUT ACKNOWLEDGMENT THAT YOU'RE NOT TELLING CITIES AND
10	COUNTIES THOU SHALT NOT BE DOING THIS, INSTEAD, YOUR
11	ACKNOWLEDGING YOU MIGHT FIND IT USEFUL IN SOME AREAS BUT
12	NEVERTHELESS WE DO HAVE STATE LAW THAT REQUIRES US TO EVALUATE
13	THE VMT WHILE YOU MAY STILL CONSIDER LOS.
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15	CHAIR MTC PC, EDDIE AHN: KAPLAN.
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17	REBECCA KAPLAN: GREAT CONVERSATION SO IT SOUNDS LIKE WE'RE
18	HEARING THIS ITEM BEFORE US WOULD NOT PROHIBIT JURISDICTIONS
19	FROM INCLUDING IT. IS THAT FAIR ASSESSMENT? SO PASSING THIS
20	WOULD ALLOW JURISDICTIONS THAT WANT TO INCLUDE IT TO CONTINUE
21	TO INCLUDE IT?
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23	CHAIR MTC PC, EDDIE AHN: THAT'S CORRECT.



REBECCA KAPLAN: THANK YOU. A COUPLE OF COMMENTS IN TERMS OF 1 THE REAL-WORLD IMPLICATIONS ON THIS THE PROBLEM WITH THE FOCUS 2 3 PRIMARILY ON LOS IS IT HAS BEEN, IT DRIVES JURISDICTIONS TO PUSH FOR ENDLESS ROAD WIDENING AS PARTS OF PROJECTS, RIGHT? SO 4 5 IN TERMS OF HISTORY OF THE LOS ARE STARTING FOLKS FROWNED UPON OKAY THE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AND TRAFFIC IS GOING TO BE SLOWER 6 AND WIDEN THE ROAD MORE PEOPLE WOULD DRIVE UNLESS PEOPLE WOULD 7 8 TAKE TRANSIT IT WOULD CONTINUE TO SPIRAL INTO A NEGATIVE DIRECTION BUT I THINK LOOKING AT VMT CAN SOMETIMES, ONE 9 EXAMPLE THAT WE SEE IS THE DROP-OFFS AROUND SCHOOLS WOULD BE 10 SUPER CONGESTED THERE WILL BE A TON OF CARS AND SO IF YOU 11 MEASURED IT BY LOSS REALLY SHOW UP AS A PROBLEM WHERE YOU HAVE 12 TO KNOWS OF CARS DOING DROP-OFFS AROUND SCHOOL BECAUSE PEOPLE 13 ARE DRIVING SUPER SHORT DISTANCES TO DRIVE KIDS TO SCHOOL, 14 15 THEN IT'S HARDER FOR THE KIDS WHO ARE TRYING TO WALK TO SCHOOL 16 TO WALK BECAUSE THERE IS SO MANY CARS AROUND. WHERE YOU COULD IDENTIFY THE SITUATION I THINK THE IMPLEMENTATION QUESTION IS 17 MORE OF YOU SEE LOS AS THE PROBLEM THAT THE SOLUTION ISN'T 18 JUST ROAD WIDENING ADDING MORE CARS BUT SOME CASES COULD BE WE 19 DO IMPROVE WALKING AND BIKING AND TRANSIT USE AS A WAY TO 20 REDUCE THAT FOCUS CONGESTION SO I THINK THERE IS A WAY IT CAN 21 BE HARMONIZED. THEN IN TERMS OF THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN VMT AND 22 CONGESTION ONE OF THE THINGS WE HAVE NOTED THE PANDEMIC 23

STARTED IT'S SPLIT BETWEEN EYES OF USE OF VEHICLES. SO THERE

USED TO BE A STRONG RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN VMT AND CONGESTION

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AND EVERYBODY WAS DRIVING DURING THE SAME MORNING PEAK TO THE

2	SAME AFTERNOON PEAK, TO THE SAME PLACE, AND WHAT WE HAVE SEEN
3	NOW IS PEOPLE MIGHT WORK-FROM-HOME THEN DRIVE SOMEWHERE IN THE
4	MIDDLE OF THE DAY TO GO SHOPPING OR TO GO TO A MEETING SO AT
5	LEAST FROM THE ALAMEDA COUNTY DATA VMT IS NOT DOWN BUT
6	CONGESTION IS DOWN. AND YOU MIGHT ASK WELL HOW CAN CONGESTION
7	GO DOWN IF VMT ISN'T GOING DOWN, IT'S BECAUSE PEOPLE AREN'T
8	ALL DRIVING TO THE SAME PLACE AT THE SAME TIME, THEY'RE
9	DRIVING LESS IT'S A DISTRIBUTED PASSENGER SO CONGESTION GOES
10	DOWN WITHOUT VMT GOING DOWN SO I THINK THE INTERPLAY OF THESE
11	THINGS MAY BE AN UPON LITTLE DIFFERENT THEN LASTLY ON
12	IMPLEMENTATION I THINK MAKING SURE THAT WE'RE INCLUDING
13	PEDESTRIAN AND BIKING SAFETY TRANSIT ACCESS, WHETHER YOU'RE
14	LOOKING AT IT FROM A CONGESTION PERSPECTIVE OR VMT
15	PERSPECTIVE, THOSE STRATEGIES CAN HELP REDUCE BOTH OF THOSE.

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THANK YOU.

18 CHAIR MTC PC, EDDIE AHN: MATT?

- 20 MATT MALONEY: MATT MALONEY, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR METRO
- 21 PLANNING AND POLICY. GREAT CONVERSATION HERE. I WANT TO SAY A
- 22 FEW THINGS FOR CONTEXT WHICH MIGHT HELP THE JOINT COMMITTEE. I
- 23 THINK THE PART OF RATIONALE HERE IS THE STATUTORY UNDERPINNING
- 24 FOR THE CMPS WHICH ARE THE PLANS, ITS 35 YEARS OLD, SO FOR THE
- 25 STATES BACK TO 1990, FOR THE LAST DECADE OR MORE WE HAVE BEEN



- 1 COMING BACK USUALLY ON CONSENT WITH ITEMS LIKE THIS, SORT OF,
- 2 REAFFIRMING THAT COUNTY SHOULD THINK ABOUT OPTING OUT OF THIS
- 3 PROCESS THAT'S BECAUSE IT'S A NARROW PROCESS THAT WAS WRITTEN
- 4 35 YEARS AGO. I THINK OUR PREFERENCE, AS STAFF, AND WE HAVE
- 5 HAD THESE DISCUSSIONS WITH CPAS OVER THE YEARS, IS THAT FOLKS
- 6 MOVE TOWARD A COUNTY WIDE TRANSPORTATION PLAN. WHICH WE ALSO
- 7 OFFER GUIDANCE FOR THAT. BECAUSE WE CAN REALLY KIND OF
- 8 HARMONIZE THAT PLANNING MORE CLOSELY TO AN SB 375 REALITY. AND
- 9 SO I THINK THE PURPOSE OF THAT, SO, AGAIN, IT'S NOT TO TELL
- 10 THE PEOPLE DON'T USE LOS, IT'S WE'RE KIND OF IN A MORE
- 11 COMPREHENSIVE WORLD WITH PLANNING RIGHT NOW AND THE CMP
- 12 PROCESS IS ANTIQUATE THE A LOT OF COUNTIES FEEL IT'S IMPORTANT
- 13 AND THEY WANT TO KEEP DOING IT BUT THE SUMMARY SHEET, WE HAVE
- 14 THREE COUNTIES IN NORTH BAY, MARIN, SONOMA, NAPA, WHO HAVE
- 15 CHOSEN TO OPT OUT OF THIS PROCESS. IT'S KIND OF A NARROW ISSUE
- 16 THERE IS A LOT OF POLICY CONVERSATION AROUND THIS IDEA OF VMT,
- 17 GHG, AND LOS. AND I THINK STAFF WE CAN THINK OF A WAY TO COME
- 18 BACK AND CONTINUE THE CONVERSATION WITH THE COMMITTEE, JUST
- 19 KIND OF A BIGGER PICTURE OF THAT POLICY CONVERSATION.
- 20 HOPEFULLY THAT'S HELPFUL.
- 22 CHAIR MTC PC, EDDIE AHN: VICE CHAIR MOULTON-PETERS, IF YOU'RE
- 23 OKAY WITH COMMISSIONER RABBITT GOING? HAVEN'T HEARD ANY
- 24 COMMENTS YET.

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1	DAVID RABBITT: THANK YOU. WE'RE ONE OF THOSE COUNTIES THAT
2	OPTED OUT. JUST REFLECTING. I MAY BE POLITICALLY INCORRECT TO
3	SAY BUT I THINK YOU WOULD BE FOOLISH AS A POLITICIAN NOT TO
4	DEAL WITH LEVEL OF SERVICE WITH ANYTHING YOU'RE DEALING WITH
5	WHETHER MANDATED THROUGH THE STATE IT'S A QUALITY OF LIFE
6	ISSUE DEALING WITH CONSTITUENTS. LOOKING AT THE WAY
7	DEVELOPMENT PATTERNS HAVE OCCURRED ESPECIALLY IN THE SUBURBAN
8	AREAS WHERE YOU HAVE ARTERIALS AND COLLECTORS FUNNELING CARS
9	ON CERTAIN STREETS BUT THEN PRODUCE HIGHER LEVELS OF SERVICE
10	BECAUSE NOT JUST BECAUSE OF DEVELOPMENT BUT BECAUSE NOW EVERY
11	HOW HAS THREE OR FOUR CARS AND PERHAPS MULTI-GENERATIONAL
12	FOLKS. I THINK ALL THIS STUFF IS INTERRELATED AND I ALWAYS GO
13	BACK. I'M A CITY KID. SO AT THE END OF THE DAY, THE GRID WAS A
14	GREAT WAY TO DISPERSE TRAFFIC AND TO REALLY HAVE, YOU KNOW,
15	AVOID THE ARTERIAL COLLECTOR DILEMMA THAT SOME SUBURBAN
16	DEVELOPMENTS HAVE COME INTO PLAY WHICH ACTUALLY IS ALL
17	INTERRELATED WITH TRYING TO MINIMIZE YOU CAN'T GET ANYWHERE
18	WITHOUT GETTING IN YOUR CAR AND GO TO THE STORE AND SOMETIMES
19	IT'S LONGER THAN YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE IT SO I WOULD JUST
20	LIKE TO PUT THAT I OUT THERE AND THAT'S PART OF THE REASON OUR
21	COUNTY IS IN THE SITUATION WE ARE.
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23 CHAIR MTC PC, EDDIE AHN: VICE CHAIR MOULTON PETERS?



- 1 STEPHANIE MOULTON-PETERS: MARIN COUNTY HAS OPTED OUT AND WE
- 2 RECENTLY ADOPTED A CAN'T WIDE TRANSPORTATION PLAN AND I CAN
- 3 TELL YOU THAT EXPERIENCE WOULD ALLOW FOR A LOT MORE
- 4 COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING THAN CMP DOES. SO, WE COULD ARRIVE AT A
- 5 WIDE RAY OF STRATEGIES TO APPLY IN OUR TRANSPORTATION PLANNING
- 6 THAT WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN OTHERWISE PROVIDED FOR IN THE CMP. I
- 7 WOULD ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO LOOK AT THAT. THE OLD CMP IS A VERY
- 8 CONSTRAINED PLANNING TOOL AT THIS POINT.

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- 10 SUE NOACK: SO, DO I UNDERSTAND CORRECTLY THEY'RE ALSO
- 11 REEXAMINING VMT IN SACRAMENTO BECAUSE VMT TIED TO GHG DOESN'T
- 12 REALLY WORK WITH THE NUMBER OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES OUT THERE AS
- 13 WELL ANYMORE MY UNDERSTANDING IS THERE IS SOME DISCUSSION
- 14 STARTING IN SACRAMENTO TO EVALUATE VMT AS A SOLE, SORT OF,
- 15 TOOL. AM I CORRECT IN THAT? OR?

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- 17 MATT MALONEY: I THINK IN THE CONTEXT OF SB743 AND MITIGATION
- 18 AROUND THE VMT ISSUE, PARTICULARLY, THERE IS A ROBUST
- 19 STATEWIDE CONVERSATION ABOUT HOW WELL THAT HAS WORKED. AND WE
- 20 HAVE BEEN ENGAGED IN SOME OF THOSE CONVERSATIONS WITH STATE
- 21 AGENCIES. YOU KNOW, AROUND 743 AND ALSO NEXT STEPS WITH SB 375
- 22 AND REGIONAL PLANNING AND TRYING TO HARMONIZE GHG, VMT, AND SO
- 23 WE'RE HAVING A LOT OF DISCUSSIONS ABOUT METRICS.

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25 CHAIR MTC PC, EDDIE AHN: BOARD MEMBER ROMERO?



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2	V. CHAIR, CARLOS ROMERO ABAG AC: I'LL LEAVE IT TO MY COLLEAGUE
3	TO BRING UP THE VET NOIR OF CONGESTION. I DON'T WANT TO
4	DISCUSS IT NOW BECAUSE MATT IT MAKES SENSE YOU'RE TRYING TO
5	TAKE US OFF OF THIS I THINK IT'S WORTH BRINGING THIS BACK
6	WHETHER IT'S TO THIS BODY OR ANOTHER I HAVE SOME STRONG
7	FEELINGS ABOUT UTILIZING LEVEL OF SERVICE AND IT'S BEEN USED
8	TO BLOCK PROJECTS SO THERE IS SOME CONTENTION THERE BUT I
9	THINK WE SHOULD TALK ABOUT IT IN THE FUTURE SO THANK YOU VERY
10	MUCH, PAT, FOR BRINGING THAT UP.
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12	CHAIR MTC PC, EDDIE AHN: APPRECIATE THE DISCUSSION THERE IS A
13	MOTION AND SECOND ON THE FLOOR PERHAPS SHOULD MOVE TO PUBLIC
14	COMMENT.
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16	BOARD CLERK: THERE WAS NO WRITTEN CORRESPOND RECEIVED ON THIS
17	ITEM AND THERE IS NO ONE IN THE BOARDROOM OR ZOOM WISHING TO
18	SPEAK.
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20	CHAIR MTC PC, EDDIE AHN: STAFF, I BELIEVE YOU HAVE HOPEFULLY
21	HEARD THE COMMISSIONERS TODAY, AND GOOD DISCUSSION THAT HAS
22	OCCURRED. SO, WITH THAT, WILL THE MTC CLERK PLEASE CALL THE
23	ROLL.
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BOARD CLERK: WILL DO. CHAIR AHN? VICE CHAIR.



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2	V. CHAIR MTC PC, PAT BURT: BURT YES.
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4	BOARD CLERK: ANDERSEN?
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6	CANDACE ANDERSEN: YES.
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8	BOARD CLERK: CANEPA IS ABSENT. ASHCRAFT?
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10	MARILYN EZZY ASHCRAFT: YES.
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12	BOARD CLERK: JOHN-BAPTISTE?
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14	ALICIA JOHN-BAPTISTE: AYE.
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16	BOARD CLERK: KAPLAN?
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18	REBECCA KAPLAN: AYE.
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20	BOARD CLERK: MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY BY ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.
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22	CHAIR MTC PC, EDDIE AHN: THANK YOU. AND NOW I'LL TURN OVER THE
23	MEETING TO CHAIR RAMOS.



1	CHAIR, BELIA RAMOS ABAG AC: THANK YOU SO MUCH. I WOULD LIKE T
2	CALL TO ORDER THIS MEETING OF THE ABAG ADMINISTRATIVE
3	COMMITTEE. A ROLL CALL VOTE WILL BE TAKEN FOR ALL ACTION ITEM
4	DUE TO REMOTE COMMITTEE PARTICIPATION. WE HAVE A REQUEST FOR
5	AB2449 PARTICIPATION TODAY. WILL THE ABAG CLERK CALL THE ROLL
6	AND CONFIRM THAT THERE IS IT A QUORUM? MR. CASTRO?
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8	BOARD CLERK: YES, MA'AM. SUPERVISOR RABBITT?
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10	DAVID RABBITT: HERE.
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12	BOARD CLERK: SUPERVISOR RAMOS?
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14	CHAIR, BELIA RAMOS ABAG AC: HERE.
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16	BOARD CLERK: COUNCIL MEMBER ROMERO?
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18	V. CHAIR, CARLOS ROMERO ABAG AC: PRESENT.
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20	BOARD CLERK: SILVA?
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22	CINDY SILVA: HERE.
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24	BOARD CLERK: YOU'RE AT THE WALNUT CREEK POSTED LOCATION?



1	CINDY SILVA: NO AGRICULTURALLY AT THE PLEASANT HILL.
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3	BOARD CLERK: I WAS MISTAKEN. THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR WILLIAMS?
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5	WANDA WILLIAMS: HERE.
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7	BOARD CLERK: COUNCIL MEMBER ECKLUND IS ON THE ZOOM WEBINAR.
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9	PAT ECKLUND: I'M ASKING FOR THE SPECIAL DISPENSATION BECAUSE
10	AS YOU CAN SEE I ONLY HAVE REALLY ONE EYE I HAD A BIOPSY TAKEN
11	MY LEFT EYE AND IT'S TAKEN LONGER THAN I THOUGHT TO BE ABLE TO
12	DRIVE LONG DISTANCES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THIS ABILITY TO
13	BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE VIRTUALLY ON ZOOM.
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15	CHAIR, BELIA RAMOS ABAG AC: JUST TO CONFIRM, COUNCIL MEMBER
16	ECKLUND YOU ARE REQUESTING REMOTE PARTICIPATION BY AB2449 DUE
17	TO A MEDICAL PROCEDURE AND THERE IS NO ONE IN THE ROOM WITH
18	YOU AT THIS TIME. IS THAT CORRECT?
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20	PAT ECKLUND: ABSOLUTELY CORRECT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
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22	CHAIR, BELIA RAMOS ABAG AC: PRESENT AS NOTED WE WISH YOU
23	SPEEDY RECOVERY.
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PAT ECKLUND: THANK YOU.



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2	CHAIR, BELIA RAMOS ABAG AC: I'LL ASK THE CLERK TO MAKE THE
3	ABAG COMPENSATION ANNOUNCEMENT.
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5	BOARD CLERK: ACCORDING TO STATE LAW, I AM MAKING THE FOLLOWING
6	ANNOUNCEMENT. THE MEMBERS OF THE ABAG FINANCE COMMITTEE IN
7	ATTENDANCE AT THIS MEETING ARE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE PER DIEM AN
8	AMOUNT OF \$150 AND THAT THE PER DIEM IS PROVIDED AS A RESULT
9	OF CONVENING A MEETING FOR WHICH EACH MEMBER IS ENTITLED TO
10	COLLECT PER DIEM. THANK YOU.
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12	CHAIR, BELIA RAMOS ABAG AC: THANK YOU SO MUCH. NEXT FOR OUR
13	CONSIDERATION, IS OUR CONSENT CALENDAR. ITEMS 6A AND 6B. 6A
14	CONSISTING OF OUR MINUTES. 6B IS THE RATIFICATION OF MY
15	APPOINTMENT AS VICE CHAIR OF THE JOINT MTC ABAG LEGISLATION
16	COMMITTEE. AND I AM APPOINTING SUPERVISOR KEN CARLSON OF
17	CONTRA COSTA COUNTY AS VICE CHAIR. AND THAT WOULD BE EFFECTIVE
18	UPON APPROVAL OF TODAY'S CONSENT CALENDAR. WITH THAT SAID, DO
19	WE HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND?
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21	SPEAKER: SO MOVED.
22	
23	PAT ECKLUND: AND SECOND.



1	CHAIR, BELIA RAMOS ABAG AC: MOTION BY WILLIAMS, SECOND BY
2	ECKLUND. ARE THERE ANY COMMITTEE MEMBERS THAT WOULD LIKE TO
3	MAKE A COMMENT? SEEING NONE IS THERE PUBLIC COMMENT?
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5	BOARD CLERK: THERE IS NO WRITTEN COMMENTS RECEIVED FOR THIS
6	ITEM, AND THERE NO MEMBERS IN THE BOARDROOM OR ZOOM WISHING TO
7	SPEAK ON THIS ITEM. NONE AT THE TELECONFERENCE LOCATION AND
8	ATTENDEE SPACE.
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10	CHAIR, BELIA RAMOS ABAG AC: MOTION AND SECOND. ROLL CALL VOTE?
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12	BOARD CLERK: MOTION BY WILLIAMS; SECOND BY ECKLUND. MEMBER
13	ECKLUND?
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15	PAT ECKLUND: AYE.
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17	BOARD CLERK: RABBITT?
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19	DAVID RABBITT: AYE.
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21	BOARD CLERK: RAMOS?
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23	CHAIR, BELIA RAMOS ABAG AC: YES.
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25	BOARD CLERK: ROMERO?



1 2 V. CHAIR, CARLOS ROMERO ABAG AC: YES. 3 BOARD CLERK: ROW SILVA? 4 5 CINDY SILVA: YES. 6 7 8 **BOARD CLERK: WILLIAMS?** 9 WANDA WILLIAMS: YES. 10 11 BOARD CLERK: MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY BY ALL MEMBERS PRESENT. 12 13 CHAIR, BELIA RAMOS ABAG AC: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT ITEM IS 14 15 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ITEM SEVEN IS THERE ANY PUBLIC COMMENT 16 ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA? 17 BOARD CLERK: THERE IS NO WRITTEN COMMENTS RECEIVED FOR THIS 18 ITEM, AND THERE NO MEMBERS IN THE BOARDROOM OR ZOOM WISHING TO 19 SPEAK ON THIS ITEM. 20 21 22 CHAIR, BELIA RAMOS ABAG AC: THANK YOU SO MUCH. AT THIS TIME 23 WE'LL MOVE TO ADJOURNMENT. THE NEXT MEETING OF THE ABAG ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE WILL BE HELD FRIDAY MAY 9TH AT 9:40 24 25 A.M. AT THE BAY AREA METRO CENTER 375 BEALE STREET. ANY



- 1 CHANGES TO THE SCHEDULE WILL BE DULY NOTICED TO THE PUBLIC.
- 2 THIS MEETING IS ADJOURNED. I'LL TURN IT OVER TO AHN.

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- 4 CHAIR MTC PC, EDDIE AHN: THE NEXT MEETING OF THE MTC PLANNING
- 5 COMMITTEE WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY, MAY 9TH 2025 AT 9:40 A.M. AT
- 6 THE BAY AREA METRO CENTER 375 BEALE STREET SAN FRANCISCO,
- 7 CALIFORNIA. ANY CHANGES TO THE SCHEDULE WILL BE DULY NOTICED
- 8 TO THE PUBLIC. THIS MEETING IS ADJOURNED. THANK YOU.
- 9 [ADJOURNED]





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