

# Meeting Agenda

## Fare Integration Task Force

*Members:*

*Michael Hursh, Chair Denis Mulligan, Vice Chair*

*Michelle Bouchard, Bill Churchill, Tamara Edwards,  
Carolyn M. Gonot, Daryl Halls, Beth Kranda, Carter Mau,  
Therese W. McMillan, Kate Miller, Robert Powers,  
and Jeffrey Tumlin*

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Monday, May 16, 2022

1:00 PM

REMOTE (In person option available)

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## 1. Call Meeting to Order / Roll Call / Confirm Quorum

*Quorum: A quorum of this committee shall be a majority of its regular voting members (7).*

## 2. Chair's Introduction / Remarks - Hursh

## 3. Consent Calendar

- 3a. [22-0774](#) Approval of the Minutes from the April 6, 2022 Meeting

**Action:** Task Force Approval

**Attachments:** [03a 2022-04-18 Fare Integration Task Force Meeting Minutes Draft.pdf](#)

## 4. Information

- 4a. [22-0890](#) Update on the Delivery of the Institutional Pass Pilot and Transfer Policy Changes

Update on the work underway to deliver the institutional pass pilot program at educational institutions, affordable housing properties, and other employers. The team will also discuss possible future actions related to delivering changes to inter-agency transfer policies in the Next Generation Clipper system.

**Action:** Information

**Presenter:** Michael Eiseman and William Bacon

**Attachments:** [04ai Update Institutional Pass Pilot and Transfer Policy Changes.pdf](#)  
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## 5. Public Comment / Other Business

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## 6. Adjournment / Next Meeting

**The next meeting of the Fare Integration Task Force will be held at a time and location to be duly noticed.**

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## Meeting Minutes - Draft

### Fare Integration Task Force

**Members:**

*Michael Hursh, Chair Denis Mulligan, Vice Chair*

*Michelle Bouchard, Bill Churchill, Carolyn M. Gonot, Daryl Halls,*

*Beth Kranda, Carter Mau, Therese W. McMillan, Kate Miller, Robert Powers, Michael Tree, and Jeffrey Tumlin*

Monday, April 18, 2022

12:30 PM

REMOTE (In person option available)

#### 1. Roll Call / Confirm Quorum

**Present:** 9 - Chair Hursh, Task Force Member Halls, Task Force Member McMillan, Vice Chair Mulligan, Task Force Member Powers, Task Force Member Tumlin, Task Force Member Kranda, Task Force Member Bouchard, and Task Force Member Churchill

**Absent:** 4 - Task Force Member Miller, Task Force Member Tree, Task Force Member Mau, and Task Force Member Gonot

April Chan acted as a delegate and voting member of the Board in place of Carter Mau. Actions noted below as "Mau" were taken by Chan.

Tamara Edwards acted as a delegate and voting member of the Board in place of Michael Tree. Actions noted below as "Tree" were taken by Edwards.

Greg Richardson acted as a delegate and voting member of the Board in place of Carolyn Gonot. Actions noted below as "Gonot" were taken by Richardson.

#### 2. Chair's Introduction / Remarks - Hursh

#### 3. Consent Calendar

**Upon the motion by Task Force Member Kranda and second by Task Force Member Churchill, the Consent Calendar was unanimously approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 10 - Chair Hursh, Task Force Member Halls, Vice Chair Mulligan, Task Force Member Powers, Task Force Member Tree, Task Force Member Kranda, Task Force Member Mau, Task Force Member Gonot, Task Force Member Bouchard and Task Force Member Churchill

**Absent:** 3 - Task Force Member McMillan, Task Force Member Miller and Task Force Member Tumlin

**3a.** [22-0476](#) Approval of the Minutes from the February 28, 2022 Meeting

**Action:** Task Force Approval

**Attachments:** [03a 2022-02-28 Fare Integration Task Force Meeting Minutes Draft.pdf](#)

#### 4. Information

- 4a. [22-0684](#) Institutional Pass Pilot and Advancement of the Transit Fare Policy Vision Statement Update

Update on the funding plan and work underway to advance the Transit Fare Policy Vision Statement approved by the Task Force in November 2021. Including the proposed Institutional Transit Pass Pilot Program to be piloted at educational institutions, affordable housing properties starting in the late summer of 2022, and the implementation of no-cost and reduced cost transfers.

**Action:** Information

**Presenter:** Michael Eiseman, BART and William Bacon, MTC

**Attachments:** [04a Update on Pilot and Advancement of Policy Vision.pdf](#)

Rich Hedges spoke on this item.

#### 5. Public Comment / Other Business

#### 6. Adjournment / Next Meeting

**The next meeting of the Fare Integration Task Force will be held at a time and location to be duly noticed.**

## Clipper® Executive Board Fare Integration Task Force

May 16, 2022

Agenda Item 4a

### Update on the Delivery of the Institutional Pass Pilot and Transfer Policy Changes

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**Subject:**

Update on the work underway to deliver the institutional pass pilot program at educational institutions, affordable housing properties, and other employers. The team will also discuss possible future actions related to delivering changes to inter-agency transfer policies in the Next Generation Clipper system.

**Background:**

Since the last Task Force meeting in April 2022, the project team has remained focused on delivering the Institutional Transit Pass Pilot Program, set for August 2022, at participant educational institutions and affordable housing properties. Over the coming two months, a key area of focus will be securing the formal consent of transit agencies and/or governing board approval necessary for the pilot to launch on schedule.

The project team has also begun initial work to advance the “no-cost/reduced cost” inter-agency transfer policy that the Task Force endorsed in November 2021 via the Transit Fare Policy Vision Statement.

The attached presentation will facilitate a discussion by providing more details about this work.

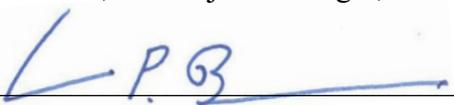
**Recommendations:**

Information.

**Attachments:**

- Attachment A: Presentation

  
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Michael Eiseman, Co-Project Manager, BART

  
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William Bacon, Co-Project Manager, MTC



# Fare Integration Task Force

May 16, 2022

<sup>1</sup> Agenda Item 4a



# Meeting Overview

## Institutional Pass Pilot

-  Transit agency consent and approval process
-  Job posted for a Project Manager for the pilot program

## No-cost and Reduced Cost Transfers in 2023

-  How might this type of policy action work?
-  Project team to begin work on developing a specific implementation plan

# Institutional Pass Pilot – Status Update



- 1** During April and May the project team focused on continuing to work with a partner institutions to prepare for the launch of the pilot in August.
- 2** Reviewed draft research and evaluation approach for Phase 1, developed by The Behaviouralist consultant team.
- 3** Key action for May/June/July is securing formal consent to participate in the pilot from all 24 transit operators on Clipper. Many operators are planning to take an item to their governing board to either seek approval for the pilot or to provide a briefing on the program.  
  
*June 30<sup>th</sup>: Deadline for operators to consent to participate; July 31<sup>st</sup>: Deadline for governing board approval, if needed*
- 4** First staff position funded by Blue Ribbon Task Force staffing funds will be the project manager for the pilot. Job posting is up now, interviews taking place soon.
- 5** June 8<sup>th</sup> MTC Programming and Allocations Committee will hear an item to formally program \$85 million in Blue Ribbon Transit Transformation Action Plan funds, including up to \$28 for the Policy Vision Statement

# Pilot Project

## Path to August 2022 Launch

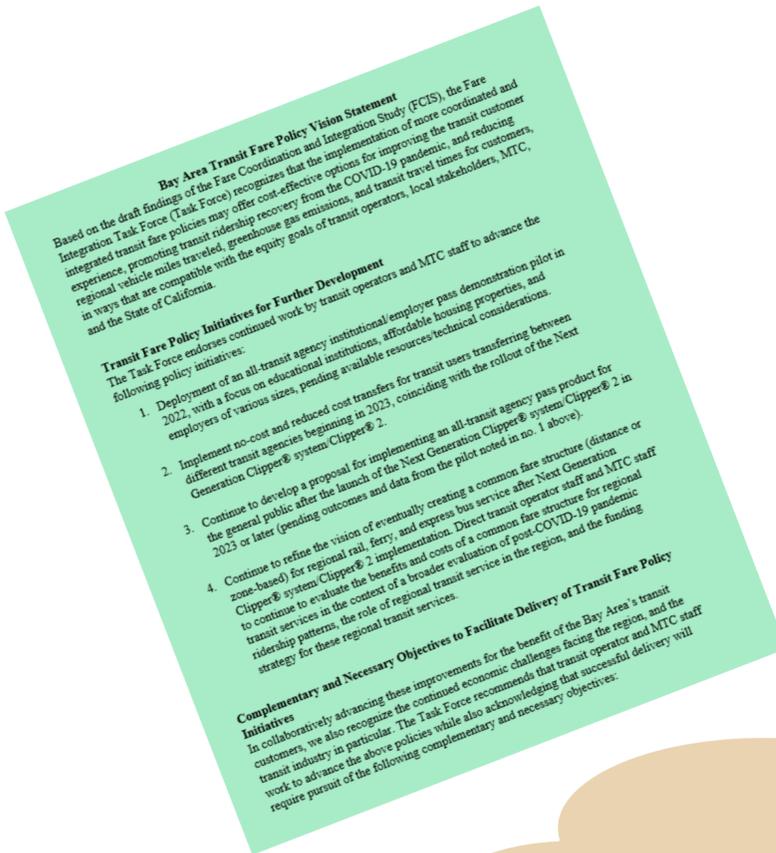


Task	2022 (by Month)
1. Finalize Management Structure	✓
2. Secure statements of interest from participants Institutions	✓
3. FITF reviews Phase 1 project budget/funding plan	✓
4. Finalize Title VI plan with FTA and agency civil rights staff	✓
<b>5. Board Approvals</b>	<b>Underway</b>
<b>6. Work with institutional partners on site-specific administrative requirements &amp; protocols (participant list, card distribution, etc.)</b>	<b>Underway</b>
7. Develop communications/collateral	May - June
8. Establish research & evaluation plan	May - July
9. Card distribution/launch	July - August

# “No-cost / Reduced Cost Transfers”

**“Implement no-cost and reduced cost transfers for transit users transferring between different transit agencies beginning in 2023, coinciding with the rollout of the Next Generation Clipper® system/Clipper® 2.”**

Bay Area Transit Fare Policy Vision Statement  
Adopted by Fare Integration Task Force, November 15, 2021



**How would implementation of this policy work in practice?**

**What existing fare policies would change?**

**What is the possible financial impact of this action?**

# Key Questions

**What existing fare policies would change?**

Most, but not all, transit operators have existing inter-agency transfer discount agreements with the operators whom they connect with. This proposed action would replace those existing agreements with a common standard across the Bay Area, however 100% agency participation is not a technical requirement.

**How would implementation of this policy work in practice?**

This will be the subject of the project team's work over the coming months, but operators would likely need to adopt a common MOU that set the parameters for inter-agency transfers as well as establishing a process for keeping transfer discount up-to-date as fares change. An MOU would also likely establish a financial framework to support the common transfer policy.

**What is the possible financial impact of this action?**

The FCIS project found that, based on pre-pandemic ridership the implementation of “No-cost / Reduced Cost Transfers” could cost up to \$22 million a year or \$2.25 per new trip generated. A key focus of the team's work will be how to address this possible cost.

# What existing fare policies would change?

Example Trips  
Under Current  
Inter-Agency  
Transfer Policies



<b>Example Trip 1</b> <i>Alum Rock, SJ to Redwood City</i>		<b>Example Trip 2</b> <i>Excelsior District, SF to San Bruno</i>	
<b>Local</b> Agency #1	→	<b>Regional</b> Agency #1	<b>Local</b> Agency #2
			
Fare = \$2.50		3 Zones Fare = \$7.70	 Fare = \$2.50
<b>Total Fare = \$10.20</b>		<b>Total Fare = \$4.55</b>	

Example Trips  
Under “No-cost /  
Reduced Cost  
Transfers” Policy



<b>Example Trip 1</b> <i>Alum Rock, SJ to Redwood City</i>		<b>Example Trip 2</b> <i>Excelsior District, SF to San Bruno</i>	
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<b>Total Fare = \$7.70</b> <b>Customer savings = \$2.50</b>		<b>Total Fare = \$2.50</b> <b>Customer savings = \$2.05</b>	

**Policy Question:**  
  
How are operator  
pass-holders  
treated if they  
make a transfer?

# How would implementation of this policy work in practice?



“No-cost / Reduced Cost Transfers”

## Hypothetical MOU

1. Common inter-agency transfer discount amounts
2. Process for keeping the transfers up-to-date based on fare price changes
3. Mechanism/process for financial settlement
4. Process for operators to join/leave the agreement
5. Process for Title VI analysis
6. Reference to Clipper MOU?

# What is the possible financial impact of this action?

**Up to \$22 million  
per year Bay Area-wide**

based on pre-pandemic ridership levels



Implementation of “No-cost / Reduced Cost Transfers” was forecast to increase daily ridership by **25,000+ new trips**, the majority of which would be from low-income households

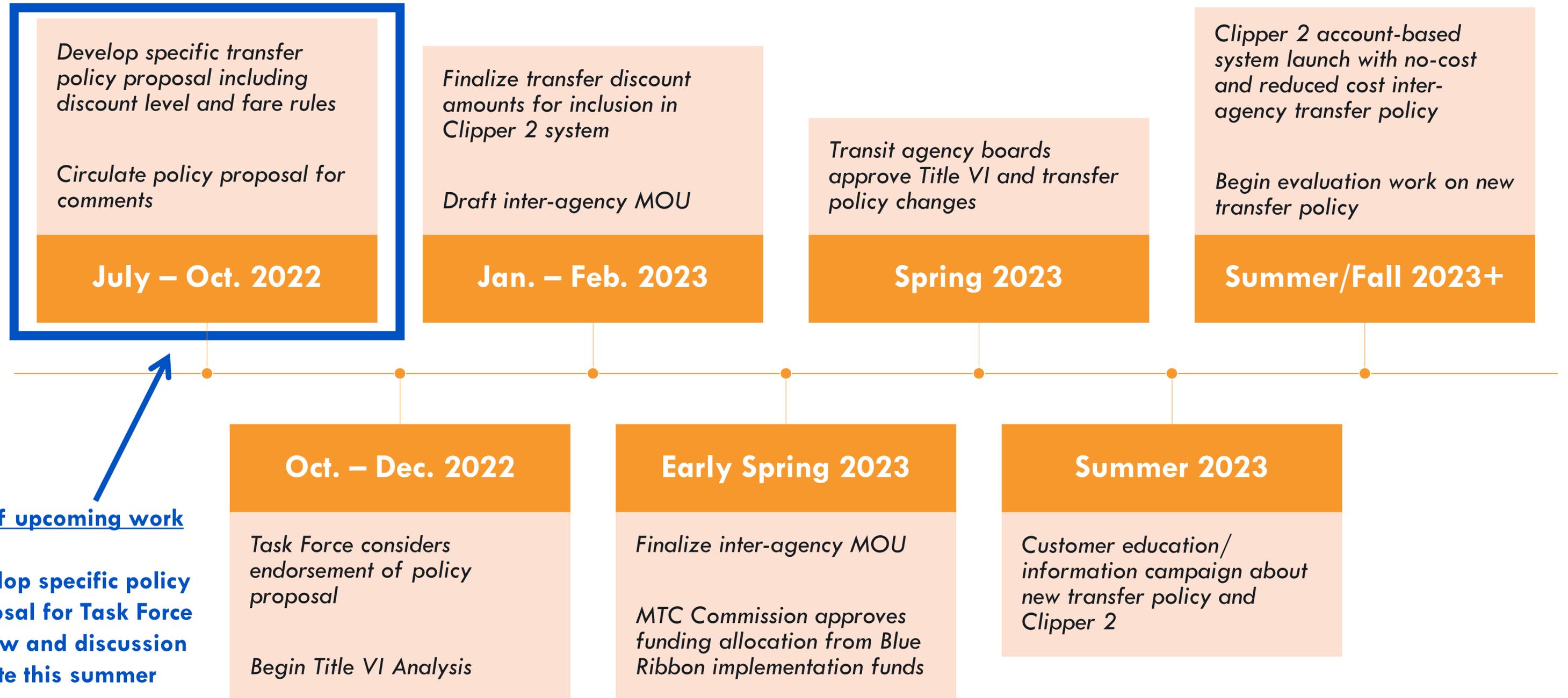


**Key Question: How do we develop a sustainable funding model for “No-cost / Reduced Cost Transfers” which encourages ridership recovery, improves the customer experience, enhances the utility of the transit network, and is financially sustainable for the long term?**

***\$22 million in funding is currently identified from the Blue Ribbon funds for this action***

# Steps to Deliver “No-cost / Reduced Cost Transfers”

## Path to Summer 2023



**Focus of upcoming work**

- **Develop specific policy proposal for Task Force review and discussion late this summer**