

Commission

Meeting Agenda

Policy Advisory Council

	Randi Kinman, Chair Cynthia L. Murray, Vice Chair	
Wednesday, September 11, 2019	1:30 PM	Board Room - 1st Floor

This meeting is scheduled to be webcast live on the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's Website: http://mtc.ca.gov/whats-happening/meetings and will take place at 1:30 p.m.

1. <u>19-0892</u> Welcome

Presenter: Randi Kinman, Council Chair

2. Roll Call / Confirm Quorum

Quorum: A quorum of this council shall be a majority of its regular voting members (13).

3.	<u>19-0893</u>	Approval of July 10, 2019 Meeting Minutes (5 minutes)
	Action:	Approval
	<u>Presenter:</u>	Randi Kinman, Council Chair
	<u>Attachments:</u>	03_Council Minutes_July 2019.pdf
4.	<u>19-0894</u>	Subcommittee Reports (5 minutes)
		The subcommittee may refer an item from its agenda to the full Council for action at its next meeting if needed.
	Action:	Information
	Presenter:	Jim Blacksten, Subcommittee Chair

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5.	<u>19-0896</u>	ABAG Resolution No. 09-19 and MTC Resolution No. 4393: Plan Bay Area 2050: Overview and Vision & Guiding Principles Approval (30 minutes)
		Overview of the Plan Bay Area 2050 process and Vision & Guiding Principles previously developed in consultation with the public, stakeholders, and elected officials through Horizon.
	<u>Action:</u>	Information
	<u>Presenter:</u>	Dave Vautin and Raleigh McCoy
	<u>Attachments:</u>	05 PBA 2050 Overview Vision + Guiding Principles Approval.pdf
6.	<u>19-0897</u>	Plan Bay Area 2050: Invitation to Participate in Regional Equity Working Group (5 minutes)
		Overview on the Regional Equity Working Group (REWG) process, which will help refine strategies and develop implementation actions that advance equity for Plan Bay Area 2050, the next-generation regional plan.
	<u>Action:</u>	Information
	<u>Presenter:</u>	Dave Vautin
	<u>Attachments:</u>	06_PBA50_Equity_Sept 2019.pdf
7.	<u>19-0923</u>	Priority Development Area (PDA) / One Bay Area Grant Program (OBAG) Assessment (15 minutes)
		Proposed approach for a combined PDA and OBAG Assessment.
	Action:	Information
	Presenter:	Mallory Atkinson and Mark Shorett
	<u>Attachments:</u>	07_PDA_OBAG_Assesment Sept 2019.pdf
8.	<u>19-0898</u>	Staff Liaison Report (5 minutes)
		Relevant MTC policy decisions and other activities.
	Action:	Information
	Presenter:	Marti Paschal, Staff Liaison
	<u>Attachments:</u>	08_Staff_Liaison_Report Sept 2019.pdf

9.	<u>19-0899</u>	Council Member Reports (10 minutes)
		Members of the Council may report on locally relevant issues or events.
	Action:	Information
	<u>Presenter:</u>	Randi Kinman, Council Chair
10.	<u>19-0900</u>	New Business
		(5 minutes)
		Members of the Council may bring up new business for discussion or addition to a future agenda.
	Action:	Discussion
	<u>Presenter:</u>	Randi Kinman, Council Chair

11. Public Comments / Other Business

12. Adjournment / Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Policy Advisory Council will be held Wednesday, October 9, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. at the Bay Area Metro Center, 375 Beale Street, San Francisco, CA.

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Presenter:

Randi Kinman, Council Chair



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Approval of July 10, 2019 Meeting Minutes (5 minutes)

Presenter: Randi Kinman, Council Chair

Recommended Action:

Approval

Attachments:

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Policy Advisory Council

		Randi Kinman, Chair Cynthia L. Murray, Vice Chair		
Wed	nesday, July 10, 2019	1:30 PM	Board Room - 1st Floo	
1.	<u>19-0708</u>	Welcome		
	Action:	Information		
	<u>Presenter:</u>	Randi Kinman, Council Chair		
2 . I	Roll Call / Confirm	n Quorum		
	Present: Excused:	 14 - Blacksten, Burnett, Cochran, Eldred, Hedges, Kallins, Chair Kinma Madden, Mendoza, Miller, Momoh, Vice Chair Murray and Williams 7 - Castellanos, Coates, Hernandez, Lee, Lopez, Saver and Wolff 		
	Absent:	3 - Baker, Florez and Schweng		
3.	<u>19-0709</u>	Approval of June 12, 2019 Meeting Minutes (5 minutes)		
	Action:	Approval		
	Presenter:	Randi Kinman, Council Chair		
	<u>Attachments:</u>	03_Council Minutes_June 2019.pdf		
		Upon the motion by Vice Chair Murray and second by Hedges, the Ju Meeting Minutes were unanimously approved. The motion carried by following vote:		
	Aye:	14 - Blacksten, Burnett, Cochran, Eldred, Hedges, Kallins, Chair Kinma Madden, Mendoza, Miller, Momoh, Vice Chair Murray and Williams		
	Absent:	10 - Baker, Castellanos, Coates, Florez, Hernandez, Lee, Lopez, Saver Wolff	r, Schweng and	
4.	<u>19-0710</u>	Subcommittee Reports (5 minutes)		
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		Information		
	<u>Presenter:</u>	Jim Blacksten, Subcommittee Chair		

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5.19-0712Plan Bay Area 2050: Public Engagement Overview
(30 minutes)

Presentation of the Plan Bay Area 2050 (Plan) public engagement plan, from promotion prior to Plan kickoff in September 2019 through adoption in summer 2021.

Action: Information

Presenter: Ursula Vogler

Attachments: 05_PBA2050_Public Engagement.pdf

6. <u>19-0807</u> Next Generation Clipper® System Update (30 minutes)

Update Council members on key developments related to the implementation of the Next Generation Clipper System Integrator project, provide an overall program update, and to highlight key technical updates.

Action: Information

Presenter: Edward Meng and Jason Weinstein

Attachments: 06 Clipper Next Gen Council.pdf

7.<u>19-0806</u>Transit Fare Integration Update
(30 minutes)

Update on recent MTC staff work on transit fare integration in the Bay Area. This update is provided based on a request by Policy Advisory Council members.

- Action: Information
- Presenter: William Bacon

Attachments: 07 Transit Fare Integration Update.pdf

Upon the motion by Levin and second by Mendoza, the Council voted unanimously to urge MTC and the Clipper® Executive Board to move forward with a business case study of integrated fares to document the changes necessary to create a financially sustainable and more equitable integrated fare system that encourages transit ridership. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Aye: 14 Blacksten, Burnett, Cochran, Eldred, Hedges, Kallins, Chair Kinman, Levin, Madden, Mendoza, Miller, Momoh, Vice Chair Murray and Williams
- Absent: 10 Baker, Castellanos, Coates, Florez, Hernandez, Lee, Lopez, Saver, Schweng and Wolff

8. <u>19-0713</u> Staff Liaison Report (5 minutes)

Relevant MTC policy decisions and other activities.

<u>Action:</u> Information

Presenter: Marti Paschal, Staff Liaison

Attachments: 08_Staff_Liaison_Report July 2019.pdf

9. <u>19-0714</u> Council Member Reports (10 minutes)

Members of the Council may report on locally relevant issues or events.

Action: Information

Presenter: Randi Kinman, Council Chair

Councilmember Miller submitted his resignation, effective immediately.

10. <u>19-0715</u> New Business (5 minutes)

Members of the Council may bring up new business for discussion or addition to a future agenda.

Action: Discussion

Presenter: Randi Kinman, Council Chair

11. Public Comments / Other Business

12. Adjournment / Next Meeting

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Subcommittee Reports (5 minutes)

The subcommittee may refer an item from its agenda to the full Council for action at its next meeting if needed.

Presenter:

Jim Blacksten, Subcommittee Chair

Recommended Action: Information

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ABAG Resolution No. 09-19 and MTC Resolution No. 4393: Plan Bay Area 2050: Overview and Vision & Guiding Principles Approval

(30 minutes)

Overview of the Plan Bay Area 2050 process and Vision & Guiding Principles previously developed in consultation with the public, stakeholders, and elected officials through Horizon.

Presenter:

Dave Vautin and Raleigh McCoy

Recommended Action:

Information

Attachments:

Metropolitan Transportation Commission Policy Advisory Council

September 11, 2019	Agenda Item 5
	ABAG Resolution No. 09-19 and MTC Resolution No. 4393:
Plan B	ay Area 2050: Overview and Vision & Guiding Principles Approval
Subject:	Overview of the Plan Bay Area 2050 process and Vision & Guiding Principles previously developed in consultation with the public, stakeholders, and elected officials through Horizon.
Background:	 Policy Advisory Council Agenda Item 5, ABAG Resolution No. 09-19 and MTC Resolution No. 4393: Plan Bay Area 2050: Overview and Vision & Guiding Principles Approval, is attached. This report will be presented to the Regional Advisory Working Group on September 10, 2019. Additionally, staff will seek approval of ABAG Resolution No. 09-19 and MTC Resolution No. 4393: Plan Bay Area 2050: Overview and Vision & Guiding Principles Approval at the September 13, 2019 Joint MTC Planning Committee with the ABAG Administrative Committee. Staff will be at your September 11 meeting to discuss this report. The Council's input is requested.
Attachments:	Agenda Item 5a from the September 2019 Joint MTC Planning Committee with the ABAG Administrative Committee

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Metropolitan Transportation Commission and the Association of Bay Area Governments Joint MTC Planning Committee with the ABAG Administrative Committee

September 13, 2019

ABAG Resolution No. 09-19 and MTC Resolution No. 4393: Plan Bay Area 2050: Overview and Vision & Guiding Principles Approval

Subject: Overview of the Plan Bay Area 2050 process and seek approval of the Vision and Guiding Principles previously developed in consultation with the public, stakeholders, and elected officials through Horizon. **Background:** MTC and ABAG are beginning development of *Plan Bay Area 2050* this month, which will serve as the region's next-generation long-range plan. Plan Bay Area 2050 will tackle four topic areas - transportation, housing, the economy, and the environment – while integrating key themes of equity and resilience. Under federal and state planning regulations, Plan Bay Area 2050 must be adopted by summer 2021, while at the same time meeting key requirements related to climate change, housing, and fiscal constraint, among others. Staff plans on building upon the robust scenario planning, policy analysis, and project evaluation efforts from the predecessor Horizon initiative. Horizon has explored a suite of strategies to better prepare the Bay Area for an uncertain future. Key deliverables, including the Futures Final Report and Project Performance Assessment results, are slated for release this fall in time to inform the creation of the Plan Bay Area 2050 Blueprint. Refer to Attachment C for more details on the integration of these planning processes. While the Plan will integrate a broader range of topic areas than in the past, it is important to underscore that the development and implementation of *Plan Bay* Area 2050 will require strengthening partnerships across the Bay Area. The first step of the Plan Bay Area 2050 process will be the development of the Blueprint, which has previously been referred to as the "preferred scenario". The Blueprint will detail strategies (e.g., public policies and investments) that could be considered by local, regional, and state agencies to address the significant challenges the Bay Area faces, both today and in the future. Staff will enhance and expand engagement with local jurisdictions and key stakeholders as we advance into this phase of the planning process. To kick off the Blueprint phase, it is important to first solidify the vision and goals for Plan Bay Area 2050. A considerable months-long effort was undertaken as part of Horizon to identify a set of Guiding Principles for the San Francisco Bay Area. This included robust public engagement, integrating more than 10,000 unique comments, as well as refinements by working groups and committees; however, staff did not seek committee approval at the time. Given the efficacy of the Guiding Principles to date – which lay out an aspirational vision to make the Bay Area more *affordable*, *connected*, *diverse*, *healthy* and *vibrant* – staff recommends their continued use in *Plan Bay Area 2050* and is seeking joint Committee approval at this time. By adopting the proposed Vision and Guiding Principles for use in *Plan Bay Area*

By adopting the proposed Vision and Guiding Principles for use in *Plan Bay Area* 2050, MTC and ABAG will affirm its commitment to the priorities outlined by members of the public and refined by our partners, while also connecting *Horizon*

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and Plan Bay Area 2050 with a shared vision. Refer to Attachment A for more information on the proposed Vision and Guiding Principles, including their development and their use in planning processes to-date. **Issues:** Equity. Previous iterations of *Plan Bay Area* have performed much better on environmental goals than on equity goals (e.g., displacement risk, housing affordability, etc.). In part, this is driven by the strategies included in the Plan. Should the boards wish to tackle this growing regional challenge, more ambitious strategies may be necessary to address the systemic inequities in our region's development pattern and infrastructure investments. To begin that conversation, staff will highlight some potential equity strategies and their relative efficacy as part of the upcoming Horizon Futures Final Report. Greenhouse Gas Emissions (GHG). Under Senate Bill 375, Plan Bay Area 2050 must strive to meet or exceed a state-mandated per-capita greenhouse gas emissions reduction target for cars and light-duty trucks. In 2018, the Air Resources Board modified the reduction target for year 2035 for the San Francisco Bay Area from 15 percent to 19 percent. While this increase may not seem significant at first glance, staff analysis indicates that ambitious new strategies may be necessary to consider this Plan cycle. Under Senate Bill 1, the region would become ineligible for Solutions for Congested Corridors Program funding if it does not meet the target this Plan cycle. New Revenues. New revenues for transportation, housing, sea level rise, and other key issue areas may help to address the challenges posed above. Staff is evaluating how to best capture potential new revenues in the development of the fiscally-constrained plan. Ideally our approach will allow the boards to consider integrating new revenues into the Plan; and highlight the potential benefits of new revenues to tackle regional challenges. **Next Steps:** Staff recommend that the Committees support and refer ABAG Resolution No. 09-19 and MTC Resolution No. 4393, which adopt the Vision and Guiding Principles for Plan Bay Area 2050, to the MTC Commission and ABAG Executive Board for approval. Staff will return to the Committees this fall to begin crafting the Draft Blueprint for Plan Bay Area 2050, as shown in Attachment B (Key Milestones). Attachments: Attachment A: Plan Bay Area 2050 Vision and Guiding Principles: Summary of Development Process & Use in Horizon Initiative Attachment B: Horizon and Plan Bay Area 2050: Key Milestones Attachment C: ABAG Resolution No. 09-19 and MTC Resolution No. 4393

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Attachment D: Presentation

Plan Bay Area 2050 Vision and Guiding Principles: Summary of Development Process & Use in Horizon Initiative

Guiding Principles: A Proposed Framework for Plan Bay Area 2050

Over the past year and a half, *Horizon* has been centered on five Guiding Principles -*Affordable, Connected, Diverse, Healthy* and *Vibrant*. The Guiding Principles were developed in conjunction with members of the public, partners and elected officials between February and June 2018 through a wide range of public and stakeholder engagement; while there was consensus to move them forward, staff did not request formal adoption at the time.

Since then, the *Horizon* Guiding Principles have been used to assess strategies proposed by Perspective Papers, organize the evaluation of opportunities and challenges across Futures, evaluate potential transportation investments through Project Performance Assessment and focus public engagement on key issue areas. Given their effectiveness in the *Horizon* process, staff proposes to continue their use and recommends that they formally be adopted for *Plan Bay Area 2050*. Staff has also fused together the five Guiding Principles to craft a proposed Vision for the Plan.

Proposed Vision: To ensure by the year 2050 that the Bay Area is affordable, connected, diverse, healthy, and vibrant for all.

Guiding Principle	Description
Affordable	All Bay Area residents and workers have sufficient housing options they can afford – households are economically secure.
Connected	An expanded, well-functioning transportation system connects the Bay Area – fast, frequent, and efficient intercity trips are complemented by a suite of local transportation options, connecting communities and creating a cohesive region.
Diverse	The Bay Area is an inclusive region where people from all backgrounds, abilities, and ages can remain in place - with access to the region's assets and resources.
Healthy	The region's natural resources, open space, clean water, and clean air are conserved – the region actively reduces its environmental footprint and protects residents from environmental impacts.
Vibrant	The Bay Area is an innovation leader, creating quality job opportunities for all and ample fiscal resources for communities.

Proposed Guiding Principles

Development

Development of the Guiding Principles began in earnest in February 2018. MTC/ABAG organized 28 pop-up outreach events throughout the nine counties of the Bay Area, 17 of which were in Communities of Concern. MTC/ABAG also conducted an online survey over this same time period. Together, the two sources generated over 10,000 unique comments related to the public's vision and priorities for the future of the Bay Area. Staff analyzed the pop-up and online survey comments, identifying common themes that were consistent across the region. Originally, staff proposed four Guiding Principles - *Affordable, Connected, Diverse* and *Healthy*.

Staff presented the proposed Guiding Principles to the Policy Advisory Council, Regional Advisory Working Group and the Joint MTC Planning Committee with the ABAG Administrative Committee. Based on input from partners and elected officials, staff added a fifth Guiding Principle - *Vibrant* - to describe the regional vision for continued economic vitality and an economy that benefits all communities. The finalized Guiding Principles were presented to MTC/ABAG committees and partners in June 2018, with general consensus to advance them for use in *Horizon*.

Application of Guiding Principles in Horizon

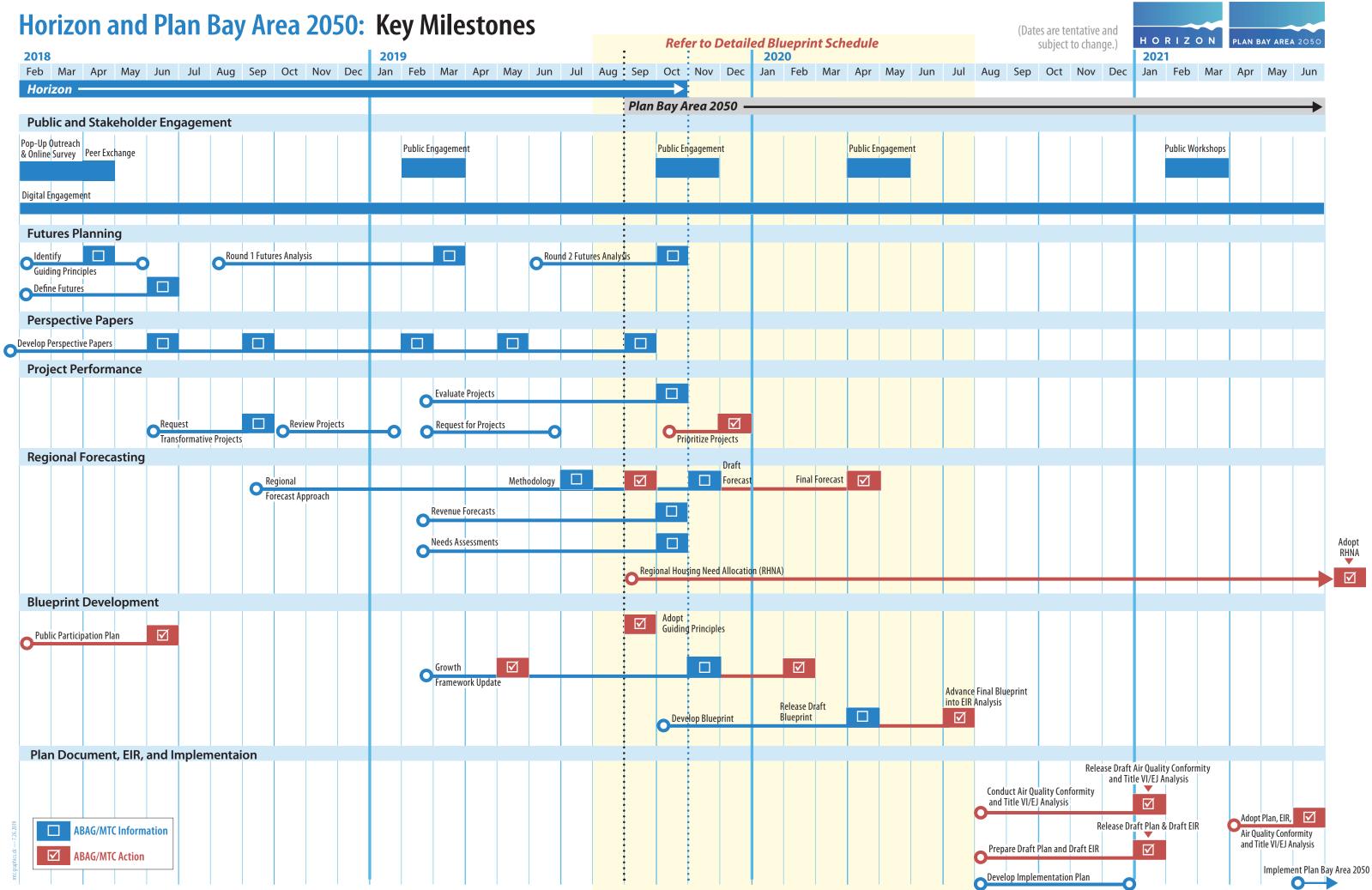
To date, the Guiding Principles have been used for the following Horizon deliverables:

- **Perspective Papers:** MTC/ABAG has released four Perspective Papers to-date to inform the *Horizon* process, with a final paper on Bay Crossings slated for fall 2019. The Guiding Principles were used to qualitatively assess strategies proposed in Perspective Papers and identify tradeoffs associated with strategies.
- Futures Planning: In March 2019, MTC/ABAG concluded initial modeling work that project conditions through the year 2050 in each of the three *Horizon* futures. The findings were summarized in the *Futures Interim Report: Opportunities and Challenges* and published on *Vital Signs*, MTC/ABAG's regional performance monitoring initiative. The interim analysis examined conditions in the three futures through the lens of ten indicators sourced from *Vital Signs*. For example, the Healthy Guiding Principle was evaluated by looking at greenhouse gas emissions and greenfield development, whereas the Connected Guiding Principle was evaluated using commute times and mode shares.
- **Project Performance Assessment:** As in previous Plan cycles, projects are currently being evaluated through a Project Performance Assessment, which includes both a benefit-cost analysis and equity analysis using Travel Model 1.5. These analyses are being complemented by a qualitative secondary assessment, which considers how a project directly impacts the Guiding Principles.
- **Public Engagement:** The Guiding Principles have also been used for engagement with members of the general public as well as with partners, including at extended RAWG workshops and during the winter 2019 *Horizon* workshops.

Application of Guiding Principles in Plan Bay Area 2050

The planning process for both *Plan Bay Area* and *Plan Bay Area 2040* began with the selection of goals, performance measures, and quantitative performance targets. For *Plan Bay Area 2050*, staff recommend taking a more dynamic approach to performance measurement. Instead of finalizing goals, performance measures, and targets at the start of the planning process, staff recommend that the Committees adopt the proposed Vision and Guiding Principles as a structure for future performance measurement.

In prior Plans, performance targets were set months prior to analysis and modeling necessary to understand the feasibility of such goals. This process also "locked in" a set of performance measures that sometimes proved ineffective in quantifying the effects of the Plan. For *Plan Bay Area 2050*, staff propose identifying performance measures during the Draft Blueprint process to help "tell the story of the Plan" with relevant data and model outputs. Rather than selecting brand-new performance measures, staff intend to develop a curated list of metrics from the *Vital Signs* performance monitoring initiative, which already tracks 41 different indicators. Staff will return to working groups and committees on this topic in early 2020 during the Blueprint development process.



ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS EXECUTIVE BOARD

RESOLUTION NO. 09-19

APPROVAL OF PLAN BAY AREA 2050 VISION AND GUIDING PRINCIPLES

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is the regional transportation planning agency for the San Francisco Bay Area pursuant to Government Code Section 66500 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), a joint exercise of powers entity created pursuant to California Government Code Sections 6500 *et seq.*, is the Council of Governments and the regional land use planning agency for the San Francisco Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code§ 65080 *et seq*. requires MTC to prepare and update a long-range Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), including a Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) prepared in conjunction with the ABAG, every four years; and

WHEREAS, *Plan Bay Area* ("Plan") constitutes the Regional Transportation Plan and SCS for the San Francisco Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, MTC and ABAG jointly adopted the first *Plan Bay Area* in 2013 (*Plan Bay Area*) (MTC Resolution No. 4111 and ABAG Resolution No. 06-13), and the second *Plan Bay Area* in 2017 (*Plan Bay Area 2040*) (MTC Resolution No. 4300 and ABAG Resolution No. 10-17); and

WHEREAS, MTC and ABAG are beginning development of *Plan Bay Area 2050* to serve as the next-generation regional plan for transportation, housing, the economy, and the environment; and

WHEREAS, the predecessor *Horizon* initiative has conducted extensive public and stakeholder engagement as well as technical analyses to form the foundation of *Plan Bay Area 2050*; and

WHEREAS, over 10,000 unique public comments collected in early 2018, as well as multiple rounds of feedback from MTC and ABAG Committees, local government staff, and stakeholders, provided the basis for development and revision of the Vision and Guiding Principles, which have successfully been integrated into multiple *Horizon* deliverables in 2018 and 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Vision outlines the intended outcomes of *Plan Bay Area 2050*; and

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WHEREAS, the Guiding Principles provide a framework to inform qualitative and quantitative assessment of the performance of the Plan as well as strategies and projects included therein; and

WHEREAS, further discussion of the development of the Vision and Guiding Principles is contained in the MTC Executive Director's Summary Sheet dated September 13, 2019.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Board of the Association of Bay Area Governments hereby certifies that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated by this reference; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Executive Board of the Association of Bay Area Governments, as a decision making body, hereby adopts the Vision and the Guiding Principles, as identified in the MTC Executive Director's Memorandum, for use in *Plan Bay Area 2050*.

The foregoing was adopted by the Executive Board this 19th of September, 2019.

David Rabbitt President

Certification of Executive Board Approval

I, the undersigned, the appointed and qualified Clerk of the Board of the Association of Bay Area Governments (Association), do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the Association at a duly called meeting held on the 19th day of September, 2019.

Frederick Castro Clerk of the Board

ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS RESOLUTION NO. 09-19

Attachment A Metropolitan Transportation Commission Planning Committee Association of Bay Area Governments Administrative Committee

Re: Approval of Plan Bay Area 2050 Vision and Guiding Principles

Vision: To ensure by the year 2050 that the Bay Area is affordable, connected, diverse, healthy, and vibrant for all.

Guiding Principles

Guiding Principle	Description
Affordable	All Bay Area residents and workers have sufficient housing options they can afford – households are economically secure.
Connected	An expanded, well-functioning transportation system connects the Bay Area – fast, frequent, and efficient intercity trips are complemented by a suite of local transportation options, connecting communities and creating a cohesive region.
Diverse	The Bay Area is an inclusive region where people from all backgrounds, abilities, and ages can remain in place - with access to the region's assets and resources.
Healthy	The region's natural resources, open space, clean water, and clean air are conserved – the region actively reduces its environmental footprint and protects residents from environmental impacts.
Vibrant	The Bay Area is an innovation leader, creating quality job opportunities for all and ample fiscal resources for communities.

Date: September 25, 2019 W.I.: 1121 Referred by: Planning

ABSTRACT

Resolution No. 4393

This resolution adopts the Vision and the Guiding Principles of *Plan Bay Area 2050*, the next-generation regional plan for transportation, housing, the economy, and the environment.

Further discussion of this subject is contained in the MTC Executive Director's Summary Sheet dated September 13, 2019.

Date: September 25, 2019 W.I.: 1121 Referred by: Planning

Re: Approval of Plan Bay Area 2050 Vision and Guiding Principles

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. 4393

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WHEREAS, the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG), a joint exercise of powers entity created pursuant to California Government Code Sections 6500 *et seq.*, is the Council of Governments and the regional land use planning agency for the San Francisco Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code § 65080 *et seq.* requires MTC to prepare and update a long-range Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), including a Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) prepared in conjunction with ABAG, every four years; and

WHEREAS, *Plan Bay Area* ("Plan") constitutes the Regional Transportation Plan and SCS for the San Francisco Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, MTC and ABAG jointly adopted the first *Plan Bay Area* in 2013 (*Plan Bay Area*) (MTC Resolution No. 4111 and ABAG Resolution No. 06-13), and the second *Plan Bay Area* in 2017 (*Plan Bay Area 2040*) (MTC Resolution No. 4300 and ABAG Resolution No. 10-17); and

WHEREAS, MTC and ABAG are beginning development of *Plan Bay Area 2050* to serve as the next-generation regional plan for transportation, housing, the economy, and the environment; and

WHEREAS, the predecessor *Horizon* initiative has conducted extensive public and stakeholder engagement as well as technical analyses to form the foundation of *Plan Bay Area 2050*; and

WHEREAS, over 10,000 unique public comments collected in early 2018, as well as multiple rounds of feedback from MTC and ABAG Committees, local government staff, and stakeholders, provided the basis for development and revision of the Vision and Guiding Principles, which have successfully been integrated into multiple *Horizon* deliverables in 2018 and 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Vision outlines the intended outcomes of Plan Bay Area 2050; and

WHEREAS, the Guiding Principles provide a framework to inform qualitative and quantitative assessment of the performance of the Plan as well as strategies and projects included therein; now, therefore, be it

<u>RESOLVED</u>, that MTC hereby certifies that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated by this reference; and, be it further

<u>RESOLVED</u>, that MTC, as a decision making body, hereby adopts the Vision and the Guiding Principles, as identified in Attachment A to thus Resolution, for use in *Plan Bay Area* 2050.

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Scott Haggerty, Chair

This resolution was entered into by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission at a regular meeting of the Commission held in San Francisco, California on September 25, 2019.

Date: September 25, 2019 W.I.: 1121 Referred by: Planning

Attachment A Resolution No. 4393 Page 1 of 1

Attachment A Metropolitan Transportation Commission Planning Committee

Re: Approval of Plan Bay Area 2050 Vision and Guiding Principles

Vision: To ensure by the year 2050 that the Bay Area is affordable, connected, diverse, healthy, and vibrant for all.

Guiding Principle	Description
Affordable	All Bay Area residents and workers have sufficient housing options they can afford – households are economically secure.
Connected	An expanded, well-functioning transportation system connects the Bay Area – fast, frequent, and efficient intercity trips are complemented by a suite of local transportation options, connecting communities and creating a cohesive region.
Diverse	The Bay Area is an inclusive region where people from all backgrounds, abilities, and ages can remain in place - with access to the region's assets and resources.
Healthy	The region's natural resources, open space, clean water, and clean air are conserved – the region actively reduces its environmental footprint and protects residents from environmental impacts.
Vibrant	The Bay Area is an innovation leader, creating quality job opportunities for all and ample fiscal resources for communities.

Guiding Principles

Golden Gate from Marin Headlands Source: Flickr/Creative Commons

PLAN BAY AREA 2050

Plan Bay Area 2050 Overview

Seeking Approval of Vision & Guiding Principles MTC Planning Committee / ABAG Admin. Committee Dave Vautin & Raleigh McCoy - September 13, 2019

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We're excited to officially launch *Plan Bay Area 2050* this month. Over the next two years, MTC and ABAG will work together to plan for a better Bay Area - considering strategies to tackle the challenges of today and tomorrow.

What key themes are emerging from the *Horizon* process?



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Equity. Strategies included in past versions of *Plan Bay Area* have fallen short of key equity goals, such as addressing regional affordability. Bolder strategies may be required to effectively address this challenge. Highway 37 Source: NorCal Public Media





Resilience. The package of strategies from *Plan Bay Area 2040* generally struggled to be sufficiently resilient to technological, economic, political, and environmental uncertainties in the region's future.

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PLAN BAY AREA 2050

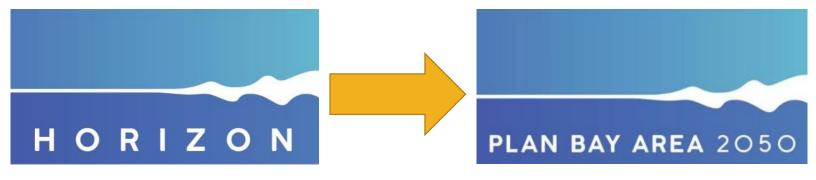
Final *Horizon* activities will help build a stronger foundation for *Plan Bay Area 2050*.



Identifies which strategies are resilient across multiple futures.

Identifies which infrastructure projects are resilient across multiple futures. Explores a suite of Bay Crossings in advance of the Plan.





Similar to *Horizon*, *Plan Bay Area 2050* will address four core topic areas, as we work to create a longrange integrated regional vision for the next 30 years.



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PLAN BAY AREA 2050



Strategies necessary to address challenges across these topic areas will ultimately require partnership with local, regional, and state governments - as well as the non-profit and private sectors.



Simplified Flowchart - from 2018 to 2021

Horizon:

Futures, Project Performance, etc.

Plan Bay Area 2050:

Blueprint (previously Preferred Scenario)

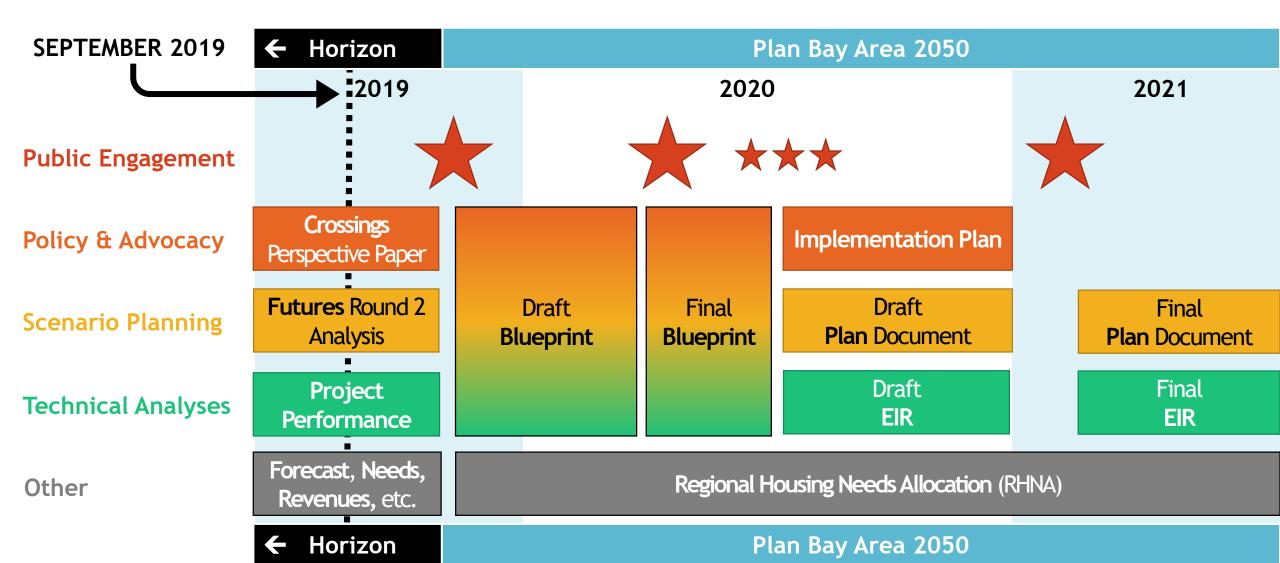
Plan Bay Area 2050: Finalization

Robust scenario planning, project evaluation, and policy analyses

Selection of resilient and equitable strategies to create a more comprehensive regional plan Development of shorterrange Implementation Plan + environmental analysis



Plan Bay Area 2050 Schedule



Horizon will identify a shortlist of resilient and equitable strategies to form the foundation of Plan Bay Area 2050.

> New revenues will be analyzed as part of the Plan Bay Area 2050 Blueprint.

The Horizon Project Performance Assessment & the Futures Final Report can help inform future revenue measures.

Horizon

New Revenues Decisions made during the Plan Bay Area 2050 process may influence current and future regional measures for transportation, resilience, housing, etc.

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Plan Bay Area 2050

Three Topics to Think About...

• Equity. *Plan Bay Area 2040* performed much better on environmental goals than on equity goals; in concert with the Equity Platform effort, staff proposes to prioritize equity to a significantly greater degree this cycle.



GHG. The new 19 percent per-capita greenhouse gas emissions reduction target will require ambitious strategies going far beyond *Plan Bay Area 2050*; adopting a Plan that does not achieve the target puts the region's SB1 Solutions for Congested Corridors funding at risk post-2021.



New Revenues. The Blueprint may be able to incorporate significant new revenues that could fund transportation, housing, economic, and/or environmental strategies.

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Placing equity as a priority will require further refinement of Plan strategies.



The strategies of Plan Bay Area 2040 were insufficient to prevent further growth in displacement risk.



The strategies of Plan Bay Area 2040 did little to address the rising cost of living in the Bay Area.

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Through *Horizon*, we are testing the following strategies for the boards to consider including in the Plan, among others:

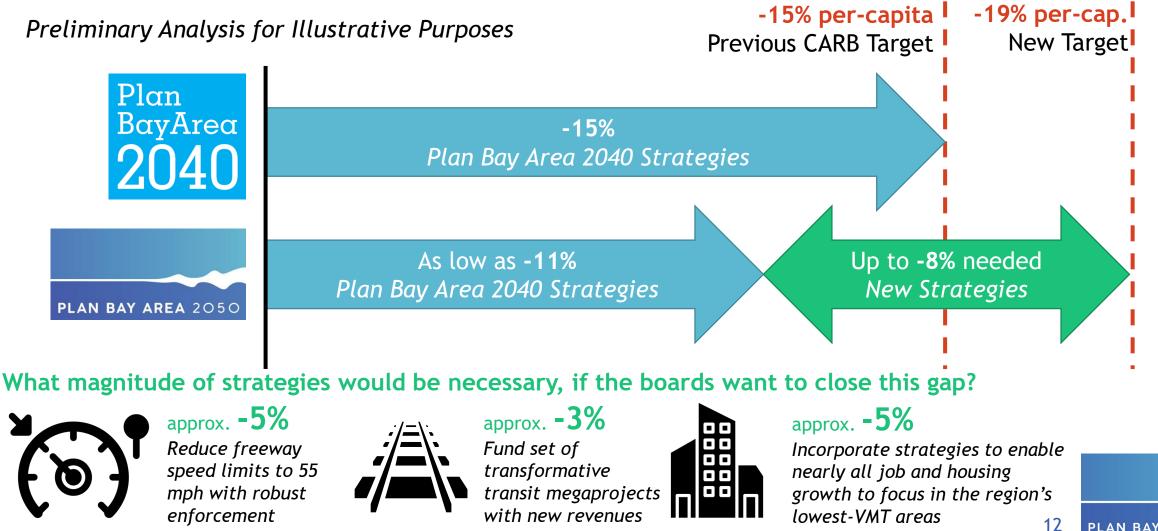
- Requiring a greater share of new housing to be deed-restricted affordable units
- Strengthening renter protections
- Increasing affordable housing preservation and production

Through *Horizon*, we are testing the following strategies for the boards to consider including in the Plan, among others:

- Allowing housing near transit and in highresource areas
- Providing free transit to lower-income households
- Subsidizing childcare for lower-income households



Meeting the new 2035 GHG target will only be possible with ambitious new strategies.



PLAN BAY AREA 2050

Engaging Stakeholders and the Public in Crafting the Blueprint



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Proposed Vision & Guiding Principles

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Horizon Pop-Up Workshop Source: MTC/ABAG

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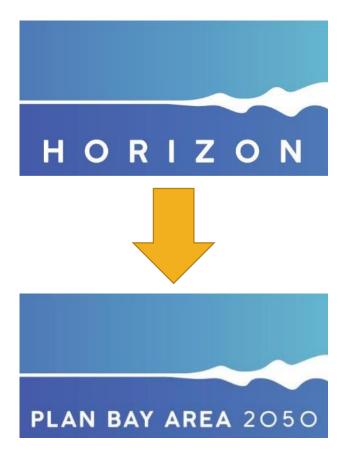
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comments used to craft the Guiding Principles

Throughout the first half of 2018, staff worked with the public, stakeholders, and committees to craft the Guiding Principles for Horizon. Staff recommends continuing their use in Plan Bay Area 2050.

Vision for Plan Bay Area 2050

(seeking final approval from committees)



To ensure by the year 2050 that the Bay Area is **affordable**, **connected**, **diverse**, **healthy** and **vibrant** for all.



Guiding Principles for Plan Bay Area 2050 (seeking final approval from committees)

AFFORDABLE

CONNECTED

DIVERSE

HEALTHY

VIBRANT

All Bay Area residents and workers have sufficient housing options they can afford - households are economically secure.

An expanded, well-functioning transportation system connects the Bay Area - fast, frequent and efficient intercity trips are complemented by a suite of local transportation options, connecting communities and creating a cohesive region.

The Bay Area is an inclusive region where people from all backgrounds, abilities, and ages can remain in place - with access to the region's assets and resources.

The region's natural resources, open space, clean water and clean air are conserved - the region actively reduces its environmental footprint and protects residents from environmental impacts.

The Bay Area region is an innovation leader, creating quality job opportunities for all and ample fiscal resources for communities.



How have we used the Guiding Principles for planning to date?







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Questions?

PLAN BAY AREA 2050

Requesting: Committees' Approval of Plan Bay Area 2050 Vision & Guiding Principles



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Subject:

Plan Bay Area 2050: Invitation to Participate in Regional Equity Working Group (5 minutes)

Overview on the Regional Equity Working Group (REWG) process, which will help refine strategies and develop implementation actions that advance equity for Plan Bay Area 2050, the next-generation regional plan.

Presenter:

Dave Vautin

Recommended Action: Information

Metropolitan Transportation Commission Policy Advisory Council

September 11, 2019

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Subject:	Overview on the Regional Equity Working Group (REWG) process, which will help refine strategies and develop implementation actions that advance equity for Plan Bay Area 2050, the next-generation regional plan.
Background:	MTC and ABAG have established a working group for each of the last four long-range plan updates to advise staff on methodologies and strategies that advance equity in the region. Known as REWG, this working group will have its first meeting for Plan Bay Area 2050 later this month.
	REWG will provide input both on the Blueprint and the Implementation Plan for Plan Bay Area 2050. REWG does not have a formal membership; however, Regional Advisory Working Group and MTC Policy Advisory Council members are encouraged to attend. REWG will meet between fall 2019 and fall 2020 through a combination of in-person meetings and webinars.
	Equity work for Plan Bay Area 2050 will build upon foundational work from Plan Bay Area, Plan Bay Area 2040, and Horizon. Whereas prior Plans have identified Communities of Concern and equity metrics to explore impacts, Horizon has analyzed strategies intended to increase resilience to an uncertain future and to advance equitable outcomes. Key deliverables from Horizon, including the Futures Final Report, will inform the REWG process as it moves forward this fall.
Next Steps:	The first REWG meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 18 from 2 PM to 4 PM at 375 Beale Street in San Francisco. Future meetings and webinars for the REWG will be posted on the project website (<u>http://planbayarea.org</u>).

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Priority Development Area (PDA) / One Bay Area Grant Program (OBAG) Assessment (15 minutes)

Proposed approach for a combined PDA and OBAG Assessment.

Presenter:

Mallory Atkinson and Mark Shorett

Recommended Action:

Information

Metropolitan Transportation Commission Policy Advisory Council

September 11, 2019 Priority Devel	Agenda Item 7 opment Area (PDA) / One Bay Area Grant Program (OBAG) Assessment
Subject:	Proposed approach for a combined PDA and OBAG Assessment.
Background:	Policy Advisory Council Agenda Item 7, PDA / OBAG Assessment, is attached. This report will be presented to the Regional Advisory Working Group on September 10, 2019.
	Staff will be at your September 11 meeting to discuss this report. The Council's input is requested.
Attachments:	Agenda Item 4 from the September 2019 Regional Advisory Working Group Packet

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Metropolitan Transportation Commission and the Association of Bay Area Governments Regional Advisory Working Group

September 10, 2019 Priority Devel	Agenda Item 4 opment Area (PDA) / One Bay Area Grant Program (OBAG) Assessment
Subject:	Proposed approach for a combined PDA and OBAG Assessment.
Background:	A key investment strategy of Plan Bay Area (Plan) is to support focused growth by targeting transportation investments, providing technical assistance, and funding locally-adopted plans for PDAs.
	MTC established the OBAG program to align with the Plan's focused growth strategy. Through OBAG, MTC has distributed more than \$700 million over a 10- year period to County Transportation Agencies (CTAs) for projects that support locally-identified PDAs, including investments in Transportation for Livable Communities projects, bicycle and pedestrian improvements, local street repair, and Safe Routes to School. MTC has also provided nearly \$40 million over the same period of time to fund local PDA planning efforts and provide necessary planning and technical assistance to support the implementation of PDAs throughout the region.
	Commission Direction In November 2018, the Commission directed staff to complete a comprehensive evaluation of the OBAG program and its effect on housing and realizing growth in targeted, transit-rich areas.
	In March 2019, the Commission approved of staff's proposal to combine the OBAG assessment with a coordinated update of each county's PDA Investment and Growth Strategy. In their consideration of the proposal, the Commission further directed staff to incorporate detailed information on PDA progress and challenges facing local communities in implementing development in PDAs.
	Proposed Approach Staff seeks feedback from the RAWG on the proposed approach to the combined PDA & OBAG Assessment, detailed in Attachment A.
	Input provided by the Policy Advisory Council, RAWG, CTAs, and other stakeholders will be incorporated into the staff proposal. Staff will then provide the refined approach to the Programming and Allocations Committee and Commission in October for information and discussion.
Issues:	Following the procurement of a project consultant, the assessment is anticipated to take approximately 9-12 months. The assessment will be used to inform the next cycle of the OBAG program (OBAG 3).
Recommendation:	Review and provide feedback on staff's proposed approach to the PDA & OBAG Assessment, as detailed in Attachment A.
Attachments:	Attachment A: PDA / OBAG Assessment: Proposed Tasks and Preliminary Schedule

PDA / OBAG Assessment: Proposed Tasks and Preliminary Schedule

1. PDA Implementation

Taking into consideration work completed to date to understand the progress and effectiveness of PDAs (e.g., PDA Assessment, Regional Growth Strategies Perspective Paper), the first task will advance our understanding of planning, development, and mobility outcomes in PDAs. In some cases, analysis will be conducted at the regional or county level, while in others it may also be conducted through case studies of a representative sample of PDAs. This task will answer the following questions:

- a. Since the adoption of the first Plan Bay Area, what factors have exerted the greatest influence on housing production at various income levels in PDAs, including local planning and zoning, market strength, and infrastructure?
- b. How have these factors varied across the region and different types of PDAs, including Communities of Concern?
- c. How have transit ridership, rail station access, active transportation, and VMT changed in PDAs relative to other places in the region, including Communities of Concern?
- d. What level of planning has been completed in each PDA (i.e. Plan, EIR, zoning)?
- e. How many jurisdictions with PDAs have adopted citywide or PDA-specific VMTreduction policies, including policies that meet the recently adopted criteria for Connected Communities PDAs?¹
- f. Through this task, provide findings by county to satisfy the 2019 requirement for its PDA Investment and Growth Strategy (IGS).

2. OBAG Investments

A premise of the OBAG framework is to support growth in PDAs by focusing transportation investments in PDAs, and funding PDA planning grants and technical assistance. This task will answer the following questions:

- a. What role have OBAG investments played in spurring housing production at various income levels in PDAs as individual projects and in concert with other investments? Consider both:
 - Planning investments (e.g., planning grants, technical assistance, zoning updates)
 - Capital investments (e.g., bicycle/pedestrian improvements, traffic calming)
- b. What impact have these investments had on mobility outcomes as individual projects and in concert with other investments?ⁱⁱ
- c. With respect to 2.a. and 2.b., what impacts have the various Regional and County-OBAG programs had?²
- d. Which types of investments have had the greatest impact on housing production and mobility outcomes relative to cost?
- e. Through this task, provide findings by county to satisfy the 2019 requirement for its PDA IGS.

¹ For detailed description of these policies, click <u>here</u>.

² For outcomes that cannot be meaningfully analyzed during the 6 years since the inception of OBAG, peer-reviewed research may be evaluated to assess the likely impacts of specific types of investments.

3. OBAG Program Framework

The program is designed to strengthen the ties between local transportation investments and regional goals for focused growth and greenhouse gas reduction. This task will answer the following questions:

- a. Is the program framework effective in achieving overall program goals?
- b. How closely have the PDA IGS's implemented program goals and requirements, particularly with respect to the role they play on project selection?
- c. What role have CTAs played in supporting PDAs through coordination with cities and other PDA-focused efforts? What best practices have emerged?
- d. Has the County share-based approach to allocating funds used in OBAG1 and 2 had an impact on the program's success in meeting program goals? If so, what has it been?
- e. What emerging trends should be taken into account in designing OBAG3, and how will these impact or influence OBAG goals?
- f. What are effective metrics to measure program goals?
- g. What changes could make the program more effective in the future?

Draft Schedule

Phase/Task		2019					2020											
	7	8	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Outreach and scope refinement																		
Commission review																		
RFQ/consultant selection																		
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Task 2: OBAG Investments																		
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Staff Liaison Report (5 minutes)

Relevant MTC policy decisions and other activities.

Presenter:

Marti Paschal, Staff Liaison

Recommended Action:

Information

Metropolitan Transportation Commission Policy Advisory Council

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	Staff Liaison Report – September 2019	
Subject:	Relevant MTC policy decisions and other activities.	
Recommendation:	Information	
Attachments:	Attachment A: Staff Liaison Report – September 2019	



METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION Agenda Item 8 Attachment A

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Memorandum

TO:	Policy Advisory Council	DATE:	September 11, 2019
FR:	Marti Paschal, Staff Liaison	W.I.	1114
RE:	Staff Liaison Report – September 2019		

511 Traveler Information Service Adds Emergency Text Alerts

MTC announced the newest addition to its award-winning 511 SF Bay service with the launch of a textbased mass notification feature for travelers in the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area. Known as 511 Emergency Alerts, this new service will inform users, who opt-in to receive alert messages, of transportation emergencies including freeway closures and severe transit disruptions.

Customers who opt-in will receive accurate and timely information gathered from various government sources sent directly to their mobile devices, free of charge, via SMS text message. The emergency text alerts will complement the free traveler information 511 SF Bay already provides on 511.org, on the 511 phone service, via social media on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram, as well as through open data feeds.

Users can sign up for 511 Emergency Alerts by using their mobile phone to text 511Alert to 888777. After subscribing, an automated text message response will confirm the registration. While the text messages are free, users are encouraged to contact their wireless service provider to determine whether they will incur charges for receiving text messages on their mobile device. More information about 511 Emergency Alerts is available on <u>511.org/511Alert</u>.

Additional 511 Changes

MTC has decided to scale back some of the 511 web features and focus on its strength as a regional data provider. The private sector has increasingly launched many great tools that offer similar services to 511. As part of MTC's commitment to ensure that its 511 program remains efficient, effective, and relevant, 511 discontinued some web features as of mid-August 2019.

What 511 web features have been discontinued?

As of mid-August 2019, 511.org no longer provides the following:

- Google Trip planner
- Real-time transit departure times (*NOTE: This feature remains available on the 511 Phone service*)
- Transit agency schedules
- Transit Tracker
- Real-time parking information (*NOTE: This feature was already discontinued from the 511.org website and the 511 Phone service*)

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Why were 511 web features discontinued?

MTC has always been, and will continue to be, committed to providing a flexible 511 system that evolves with changes in technology as well as user needs and expectations. Usage trends and recent surveys show that Bay Area travelers are turning to a variety of sources to get around. Depending on their travel needs, they are increasingly using transit agency or private sector websites and apps for trip planning, real-time transit information, and transit schedules.

What is staying on 511.org?

Going forward, 511 will continue to provide core elements of the website, including the following:

- Traveler alerts;
- An interactive map, with traffic, transit, carpool, and biking information layers;
- Consolidated tweets from 511 and partner agencies; and
- Resources for traffic, transit, paratransit, RTC discount card, carpool, vanpool, bicycling, express lanes, and park 'n ride lots.

511 will also focus on its strengths as a regional data provider to support and collaborate with the innovative work being done by the private sector. All of 511's data is available free of charge on 511.org. For more information, including a list of trip planners and other options, visit the <u>511.org</u> website.

MTC and Partners Receive Federal Environmental Planning Award for Highway 37

MTC and its partners received a 2019 Environmental Excellence Award from the Federal Highway Administration for the State Route 37 Resilient Corridor Program. The award recognizes outstanding transportation projects incorporating environmental stewardship into the planning and development processes. Projects selected use Federal Highway Administration funding sources.

About 40,000 vehicles a day use 21-mile Highway 37, which skirts the northern shore of San Pablo Bay, delivering commuters and goods. The entire highway is at risk for submerging under a predicted sea level rise of 6 feet by the end of the century. The area is environmentally rich, with nearby wetlands hosting a variety of species.

The Highway 37 program developed by MTC and its partners is a design alternative assessment process that lays out near-, mid-, and long-term improvements to address three critical issues in the corridor: severe and extended traffic congestion, vulnerability to flooding and potential impacts on environmental resources. Resilient SR 37 is a first step to proactively develop integrated transportation and ecosystem design solutions that can be progressively implemented to improve mobility for all modes of transportation and maintain public access, while developing resiliency to storms and sea level rise. The outcomes of Resilient SR 37 will identify the projects that move into the next phases of the project.

Project partners include Caltrans, Solano Transportation Authority, Sonoma County Transportation Authority, Transportation Authority of Marin and the Napa Valley Transportation Authority.

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Bridge Tolls Help Ease East Bay Commuters' Parking Crunch

On July 24, 2019, MTC awarded a total of \$9.3 million in Regional Measure 2 toll dollars to advance new commuter parking projects in Alameda County. The commitments include \$7 million to the Alameda County Transportation Commission to help fund the construction of a new parking garage near the Dublin/Pleasanton BART station plus \$2.3 million through MTC's Bay Bridge Forward initiative to complete a trio of commuter parking lots at Oakland and Albany locations served by AC Transit's transbay buses.

"This a great way to improve the quality of life for a lot of commuters who don't live within walking distance of a BART station or bus stop," observed MTC Chair and Alameda County Supervisor Scott Haggerty. "Among the ways to reduce congestion on East Bay freeways is to make it more convenient for people to ride transit; and one of the best ways to improve convenience is to solve the chronic parking shortages at so many of our key transit stops."

The \$34 million, 537-space parking garage near the Dublin/Pleasanton BART station will be built adjacent to the existing BART garage at the station, which contains nearly 3,000 spaces. The \$7 million commitment from MTC supplements \$20 million in state funds awarded to the Livermore-Amador Valley Transit Authority for the project through the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program plus another \$7 million in vehicle registration fee money contributed by the Alameda County Transportation Commission. Construction on the new garage is expected to begin next spring, with the opening scheduled for mid-2021.

The three commuter parking lots now under construction in the East Bay are scheduled to open by the end of this year. These include two lots beneath Interstate 880 at High Street and Fruitvale Avenue in Oakland, and a third lot adjacent to Interstate 80 at Buchanan Street in Albany.

Regional Measure 2, which was approved by Bay Area voters in 2004, raised tolls by \$1 on each of the region's seven state-owned toll bridges to finance a range of highway and transit improvements in the bridge corridors and along their approaches, as well as to provide operating support for transit services in the bridge corridors.

Little Oyster to Combat Sea-Level Rise

The <u>Giant Marsh Living Shoreline project</u> along the western edge of Contra Costa County is now underway with the goal of creating a healthy marine environment for native oysters, which will improve aquatic quality and help gird against sea-level rise.

Three hundred and fifty cement and sand oyster reefs were placed along the coast to create a living shoreline near the Giant Marsh at Point Pinole Regional Shoreline in Richmond. Sediment and development around the bay eliminated many of the hard surfaces on which the Olympia oysters need to grow. The artificial reefs provide that hard surface.

Eelgrass beds were also planted near the reefs as part of the project. Eelgrass provides a nursery area for many fish and shellfish species and is a major food source, forming the base of food webs and hosting organisms that feed directly on its leaves. Eelgrass also supports tiny plants, animals and organisms that, in turn, are eaten by other invertebrates, larval and juvenile fish, and birds.

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Living shorelines use nature-based infrastructure to create shoreline buffers that reduce the impacts from sea-level rise and erosion, while creating habitat for fish and wildlife. These living shorelines are proving to be an effective approach to protecting the coast and shoreline communities and protecting the coast from wave action.

The work addresses goals outlined by the <u>San Francisco Estuary Partnership</u> and the implementation of its <u>Estuary Blueprint</u>, a vision for the estuary's future. The partnership's host entity is the <u>Association of Bay Area Governments</u>, which is staffed by the <u>Metropolitan Transportation Commission</u>

San Francisco Bay Trail Featured by Bay Nature

The San Francisco Bay Trail was featured in the summer edition of <u>Bay Nature</u> with an overview of the pathway and highlights of certain segments. The 500-mile Bay Trail — which celebrates its <u>30th anniversary</u> this year — is now 70 percent complete with a vision to connect people to the bay and communities along the edge of San Francisco Bay. The trail links to residential areas, transit stations and employment centers with more than 2.7 million people living within 2 miles of the Bay Trail. Much more detail about the trail as well as news and upcoming events can be found <u>here</u>.

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Executive Director's Report

The following items are excerpts from the July 2019 Executive Director's Report to the Commission. To read the report in its entirety go to:

http://www.mtc.ca.gov/whats-happening/news/executive-directors-report.

Status Report: AB 1487 (Bay Area Regional Housing Funding) Ad Hoc Committee

The AB 1487 (Chiu) Ad Hoc Committee appointed by the MTC Chair and ABAG President met three times since its designation in May by President David Rabbitt and Chair Scott Haggerty. Members include:

- MTC: Vice Chair Alfredo Pedroza, Jim Spering, Amy Worth, Libby Schaaf and Damon Connolly
- ABAG: President David Rabbitt, Vice President Jesse Arreguin, Cindy Chavez, Julie Pierce and Warren Slocum

A <u>report of its activities</u> was included in the Legislative Committee report for July, as part of the work continuing around AB 1487 in the State Legislature.

Bay Trail 30th Anniversary

This year the Bay Trail Project celebrates 30 years since the adoption of the *Bay Trail Plan* by the ABAG Executive Board on June 15, 1989. The trail is now 70% complete and growing, with over 350 miles of trail in use by the public for recreation, transportation and environmental education. We have had significant press coverage on this milestone within the past month: 1) an 8-page article in the current edition of *Bay Nature* magazine; 2) a July 5 front page San Francisco *Chronicle* article; and 3) an entire episode on NBC Bay Area's Open Road with Doug McConnell that aired on July 14 and is available to view on the Open Road website <u>nbcbayarea.com/openroad</u> (made possible by BATA and the Bay Trail nonprofit). I'd like to thank the Commission for their support of this important regional program.

Kick-off meeting: Joint ABAG MTC Governance Committee, July 24, 2019

The appointed Joint ABAG MTC Governance Committee of MTC — designated as a result of the 2017 Memorandum of Understanding to "begin discussions on whether the two agencies should restructure their governing boards to better serve the region and to better utilize the consolidated staff" — met for the first time. The six MTC Commissioners appointed by Chair Scott Haggerty are Chair Haggerty, Vice Chair Alfredo Pedroza, Nick Josefowitz, Jim Spering, David Cortese, and Amy Worth. The six ABAG members appointed to the Committee by President Rabbitt are President Rabbitt, Vice President Jesse Arreguin, Cindy Chavez, Julie Pierce, John Rahaim, and Warren Slocum.

Upcoming Events:

6th International Conference - Women's Issues in Transportation - Irvine, CA-September 10-13, 2019

I am the co-chair of this international conference hosted by the Transportation Research Board, with support from the international and local chapters of the Women's Transportation Seminar (WTS). MTC is a sponsor of the conference, among several others from the private and public sectors.



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