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Meeting Transcript

JOINT MTC ABAG LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

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JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I WOULD LIKE TO PROVIDE A SUMMARY OF OUR TRANSITION BACK TO OUR MEETINGS IN-PERSON FOR THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE. THE GOVERNOR'S STATE DECLARED EMERGENCY WILL BE SUNSETTING ON FEBRUARY 28TH, 2023, WHICH MEANS THE JOINT MTC ABAG LEGISLATION COMMITTEE WILL RETURN TO IN-PERSON MEETINGS AS WAS THE PRACTICE BEFORE THE COVID-19 SHELTER-IN-PLACE ORDERS TOOK EFFECT. STARTING MARCH 10TH, 2023 THE JOINT COMMITTEE MEETINGS WILL BE IN-PERSON, ALTHOUGH HYBRID FORMAT WILL CONTINUE TO BE PROVIDED TO ALLOW MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO PARTICIPATE VIRTUALLY IF THEY SO CHOOSE. AS BEFORE, YOU WILL BE COMPENSATED FOR YOUR TRAVEL COST AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED TO MEMBERS WHO PARTICIPATE IN-PERSON. FOR THOSE CONSIDERING USING THE AUTHORITY PROVIDED IN ASSEMBLY BILL 2449, MORE GUIDANCE WILL BE PROVIDED THAT FEBRUARY'S MEETING KEY POINTS THE PUBLIC CAN PARTICIPATE AS WE WILL BE USING A HYBRID FORMAT. THE PUBLIC WILL STILL BE ABLE TO SUBMIT WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENT BY 5:00 THE DAY BEFORE THE MEETING TO THE ADDRESS PROVIDED ON THE WEB SITE. 375 BEALE STREET METRO CENTER IS OUR HEADQUARTERS. WE'RE NOT OFFERING ALTERNATIVE SATELLITE LOCATIONS FOR CONDUCTING BUSINESS. THANK YOU TO EVERYONE FOR MAKING THE EFFORT TO SERVE ON THE MTC ABAG LEGISLATION COMMITTEE AS WE COMPLY WITH PUBLIC TRANSPARENCY

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RULES. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYONE IN-PERSON MASKS ARE STRONGLY RECOMMENDED FOR EMPLOYEES AND VISITORS TO THE METRO CENTER. NOW PROCEED TO ROLL CALL TO CONFIRM A QUORUM IS PRESENT.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: CHAIR ARREGUIN?

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: HERE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: AHN?

EDDIE AHN: HERE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: CANEPA?

DAVID CANEPA: HERE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: DUTRA-VERNACI?

CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: HERE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: EKLUND? I DON'T SEE HER. MEMBER FLEMING? IS ABSENT. MEMBER GIACOPINI, NON-VOTING?

DORENE M. GIACOPINI: HERE.

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CLERK OF THE BOARD: MEMBER HUDSON?

DAVID E. HUDSON: HERE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: MEMBER PEDROZA?

ALFREDO PEDROZA: HERE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. MEMBER RABBIT?

DAVID RABBIT: HERE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: MEMBER RAMOS?

BELIA RAMOS: HERE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: SPERING?

JAMES P. SPERING: HERE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: WE HAVE A QUORUM.

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: AGENDA ITEM TWO, THE CONSENT CALENDAR CONSISTS OF ITEMS TWO. A THROUGH TWO. C. ACTION ITEM. IS THERE

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ANY MEMBER WHO WISHES TO PULL A ITEM FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR? IF NOT MOTION AND SECOND?

DAVID RABBIT: MOVE IT.

EDDIE AHN: SECOND.

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: MOTION AND SECTION. ANY DISCUSSION ON THE MOTION. IF SEE PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND. NO HAHN FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS. PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM?

CLERK OF THE BOARD: THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED ON THIS ITEM.

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: OKAY. UNLESS THERE IS FURTHER DISCUSSION I'LL ASK THE SECRETARY TO CALL THE ROLL.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: CHAIR ARREGUIN?

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: YES.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: AHN?

EDDIE AHN: YES.

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CLERK OF THE BOARD: CANEPA?

DAVID CANEPA: YES.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: DUTRA-VERNACI?

CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: AYE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: EKLUND? IS ABSENT. MEMBER FLEMING? IS ABSENT. HUDSON?

DAVID E. HUDSON: YES.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: PEDROZA?

ALFREDO PEDROZA: YES.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: RABBIT?

DAVID RABBIT: AYE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: RAMOS?

BELIA RAMOS: YES.

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CLERK OF THE BOARD: SPERING?

JAMES P. SPERING: YES.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY BY ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THAT BRINGS US TO AGENDA ITEM THREE, REGIONAL LEGISLATION. THIS IS AN UPDATE ON STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED IN THE FALL AND SUMMARIZING THE TIMELINE AND NEXT STEPS FOR THE YEAR AHEAD. 3A IS AN OUTREACH PLAN FOR THE BAY AREA HOUSING BALLOT MEASURE AN OVERVIEW OF THE PROPOSED OUTREACH PLAN TO GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS IN THE SPRING OF 2023 FOR THE PROPOSE THE REGIONAL HOUSING MEASURE. INFORMATION ITEM, AND REBECCA LONG AND KATE H WILL PRESENT ON THIS ITEM. I'LL TURN TO REBECCA AND KATE.

REBECCA LONG: GOOD MORNING CHAIR ARREGUIN AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE REBECCA LONG LEGISLATION AFFAIRS FOR MTC AND ABAG WE GENERALLY BRING THIS REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE FOR OUTREACH ACTIVITIES AND TO PROVIDE OVERVIEW OF ALL WORK GOING ON WITH BAHFA, PROGRESS UPDATE AND INFORMATION ABOUT OUR PLANS TO DO OUTREACH TO LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS. SO WE'RE EAGER TO GET YOUR FEEDBACK ON THAT AND NOW I WILL TURN IT OVER TO KATE

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HARTLEY, OUR BAHFA SECTION DIRECTOR. AND I BELIEVE THERE'S A PRESENTATION TO QUEUE UP. THANKS.

KATE HARTLEY: THANK YOU REBECCA. AND IF WE COULD HAVE THE PRESENTATION, THAT WOULD BE GREAT. OKAY. LET'S SEE. I'LL TAKE THE NEXT SLIDE. WONDERFUL. THANK YOU, AND GOOD MORNING COMMITTEE MEMBERS. AS YOU KNOW, A.B. 1487 LAUNCHED US IN 2019. THE PANDEMIC DELAYED OUR WORK. BUT WE WERE ABLE TO OPERATIONALIZE LAST YEAR WITH THE HELP OF A $20 MILLION STATE GRANT. SO WE HAVE BEEN WORKING HARD THESE LAST 12 MONTHS WE HAVE HIRED SIX STAFF, INCLUDING MYSELF, WE HAVE PRESENTED OUR DRAFT EQUITY FRAMEWORK AND A FUNDING PROGRAM IS PART OF OUR BUSINESS PLAN TO THE BAHFA OVERSIGHT AND ABAG JOINT HOUSING COMMITTEES YESTERDAY. WE HAVE A NINE MEMBER ADVISORY COMMITTEE WORKING WITH US WHICH IS GREAT. THEY JUST MET THIS WEEK. WE LAUNCHED A LOW AND MIDDLE INCOME AFFORDABLE HOUSING PRESERVATION PROGRAM USING TAX ABATEMENTS AND HAVE CLOSED FOUR DEALS WE HAVE DESIGNED DEVELOPMENT LENDING FOR HOUSING AND PLANNING USING STATE FUNDS EXPECT TO LAUNCH SECOND QUARTER OF THIS YEAR AND APPLIED FOR COMPETITIVE GRANTS FOR INNOVATION LAB IN THE SAN FRANCISCO ACCELERATOR FUND TO CREATE BAY AREA BUILDERS LAB THAT WILL ADVANCE NEW TECHNOLOGIES TO REDUCE COSTS AND FUND INDUSTRIALIZED CONSTRUCTION. WE HAVE LAUNCHED FIVE PILOTS IN ALL OUR DOORWAY AFFORDABLE HOUSING PORTAL JUST LAUNCHED A GOOGLE FELLOWSHIP THIS WEEK. WE HAVE 13 AMAZING

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GOOGLE ENGINEERS AND DESIGNERS AND PROJECT MANAGERS. THEY'RE WORKING ON THE DESIGN OF OUR PORTAL THAT WILL SERVE ALL NINE COUNTIES. WE WORKED WITH ENTERPRISE COMMUNITY PARTNERS TO CREATE A BAY AREA AFFORDABLE HOUSING PIPELINE DATABASE. SO WE KNOW NOW THAT THERE ARE CURRENTLY 33,000 AFFORDABLE UNITS IN SOME STAGE OF PREDEVELOPMENT BUT WHICH HAVEN'T SECURED ALL FUNDING THEY NEED TO GET TO CONSTRUCTION. AND WE ARE WORKING ON CREATING RESEARCH, OUTREACH, AND COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIPS TO SET THE STAGE FOR BETTER DELIVERY OF ASSISTANCE TO UNHOUSED PEOPLE AND BETTER WAYS WE CAN PREVENT DISPLACEMENT ACROSS THE REGION. NEXT SLIDE. AND OVER THE PAST YEAR WE HAVE ALSO BEEN CONDUCTING EXTENSIVE OUTREACH AND MEETING WITH STAKEHOLDERS ACROSS THE BAY AREA REGARDING BAHFA AND THE WORK THAT WE CAN DO TOGETHER. THIS HAS INCLUDED CONVENING AN 11-MEMBER EQUITY WORKING GROUP TO HELP US CREATE OUR BUSINESS PLAN AND EQUITY FRAMEWORK. WE HAVE HAD MULTIPLE MEETINGS FROM HOUSING STAFF FROM ALL NINE COUNTIES HAD DOZENS OF MEETINGS WITH STAKEHOLDERS SUCH AS ADVOCATES AND HOUSING DEVELOPERS. WE HAVE MADE MANY PRESENTATIONS AT CONVENINGS SUCH AS HOUSING -- SORRY -- COUNTY HOUSING COLLABORATIVES AT HOUSING CONFERENCES, AND JURISDICTION SPECIFIC MEETINGS SUCH AS THE ALAMEDA COUNTY CONFERENCE OF MAYORS AND THE TRI-VALLEY AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. AND BAHFA IS THE BENEFICIARY OF A DEEP AND WIDE NETWORK OF SUPPORTERS, AS MANY OF YOU MAY KNOW. WE ARE PRINCIPALLY ENGAGED WITH THE BAY AREA HOUSING FOR

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ALL COALITION OR BAHA THAT IS WORKING ON STATE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS THAT WOULD LOWER THE VOTER THRESHOLD ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FROM 2/3 TO EXPAND ELIGIBLE USES OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND PLANS TO ENABLE ASSISTANCE TO UNHOUSED AND VULNERABLE. NEXT SLIDE. IN 2023 BAHFA WILL CONTINUE AND EXPAND THIS OUTREACH INCLUDING PRESENTATIONS TO ALL THE REGION'S BOARDS OF SUPERVISORS, ALL THE CONFERENCES OF MAYORS, CITY COUNCILS, ESPECIALLY THOSE IDENTIFIED IN OUR ENABLING LEGISLATION AS BEING ABLE TO RECEIVE THEIR OWN FUNDING ALLOCATIONS, AND, IN ADDITION, WE WILL BE VERY RESPONSIVE TO REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION THAT WE EXPECT TO GET FROM A VARIETY OF DIFFERENTLY ORGANIZATIONS, SUCH AS THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS, JUST TO NAME ONE, AND IN FACT WE HAVE A PENDING PRESENTATION SCHEDULED WITH THE MARIN BRANCH OF THE LEAGUE IN MARCH. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH ALL OF YOU AS WE CONTINUE THIS OUTREACH. NEXT SLIDE. AND, AGAIN, THIS OUTREACH WILL TAKE PLACE OVER THE NEXT MANY MONTHS WHILE WE ALSO FINALIZE OUR EQUITY FRAMEWORK AND OUR BUSINESS PLAN. AND THE PILOT WORK AND ALL THE OTHER WORK THAT I DESCRIBED EARLIER. AND WITH THAT, I WILL HAND IT BACK TO REBECCA LONG TO SAY MORE ABOUT RELEVANT LEGISLATION. THANK YOU.

REBECCA LONG: THANK YOU, KATE. YES, SO WE'RE TRYING TO PROVIDE, FOR YOU, THE BIG PICTURE, SNAPSHOT OF BOTH THE TIMELINE ON THE HOUSING SIDE, AS WELL AS THE TRANSPORTATION

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MEASURE, ENABLING LEGISLATION. AND WHAT WE'RE LOOKING AT FOR THE REST OF THIS YEAR ON THAT FRONT IS DOING SOME POLLING THIS SPRING. WE ARE WORKING ON, THROUGH THE STRUCTURE OF THAT, AND THE QUESTIONS FOR THAT, IT'S REALLY GOING TO BE MORE FOCUSED ON THE RELATIVE PRIORITY AND CONCERNS OF BAY AREA RESIDENTS TO INFORM THE TYPES OF EXPENDITURES AS OPPOSED TO POLLING ON SUPPORT EFFORT FOR ANY GIVEN TAX AT THE SAME TIME WE'RE DOING SOME REVENUE OPTION ANALYSIS IN TERMS OF LOOKING AT CAPACITY OF POTENTIAL DIFFERENT FUNDING SOURCES IN TERMS OF REVENUE RAISED AND OPTIONS, THEN IN THE SUMMER KICKING OFF PUBLIC OUTREACH THAT WE'LL BE FOLLOWING ON THE STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT THAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING AND FOLLOWING ON THE NEXT ITEM THAT WILL THEN INFORM OUR PUBLIC OUTREACH AND ALL OF THIS IS INTENDED TO HELP US BY THE END OF THIS YEAR HAVE A SOLID PROPOSAL THAT THE COMMISSION WOULD ENDORSE FOR US TO PURSUE IN ENABLING LEGISLATION IN 2024 FOR PLACEMENT ON THE BALLOT AFTER 2024. SO, THAT'S -- SO THAT'S THAT PIECE, AND I THINK WE HAVE GOT, KATE, UNLESS YOU HAVE ANYTHING ELSE, I THINK WE'RE READY TO CLOSE AND ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS.

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: THANK YOU SO MUCH. BEFORE WE GO TO COMMISSIONER SPERING, JUST A COUPLE OF SUGGESTIONS WITH REGARD TO ENTITIES TO DO OUTREACH TO. SO, I REALLY APPRECIATE THE PRESENTATION THAT STAFF PROVIDED AT THE ABAG GENERAL ASSEMBLY LAST SUMMER. AND, PERHAPS IT MIGHT BE WORTHWHILE TO MAYBE

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CONDUCT A WEBINAR WHERE WE -- I'M ASSUMING THE PRESENTATION WILL BE A LITTLE BIT MORE -- WILL BE SOMEWHAT DIFFERENT FROM, SORT OF, THE HIGH-LEVEL PRESENTATION THAT YOU HAVE PROVIDED TO DATE ABOUT BAHFA? I THINK -- IS IT GOING TO GET MORE INTO KIND OF THE DETAILS OF WHAT WOULD BE IN A REVENUE MEASURE, SEEKING INPUT ON WHAT WOULD BE IN A REVENUE MEASURE?

KATE HARTLEY: YES. OUR ROLE IS TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ABOUT THE REVENUE MEASURE AND WHAT THE 1487 ALLOWS, AND WHAT CAN BE DONE AND HOW THE PROCESS WOULD WORK. SO WE DO WANT TO SOLICIT FEEDBACK. WE OBVIOUSLY CAN'T -- WE HAVE TO BE A PROVIDER OF NEUTRAL INFORMATION ON THESE ISSUES. SO, BUT, YES, WE WOULD BE PROVIDING VERY MUCH MORE DETAILED INFORMATION ABOUT THE FUNDING, HOW IT WOULD WORK, WHAT THE FUNDING WOULD GO TO, AND THEN WE WANT TO HEAR FROM PEOPLE ABOUT THEIR -- THE HOUSING NEEDS AND THEIR JURISDICTIONS.

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: OKAY. YEAH, I MEAN, WE'RE AT THE LEGISLATIVE PHASE NOW BECAUSE NOTHING HAS BEEN PLACED ON THE BALLOT. THIS IS REALLY ABOUT DEVELOPING LEGISLATION THAT OUR AGENCIES WILL ACT ON. SO, IF I MAY SUGGEST ONE THING TO CONSIDER, PERHAPS IT WOULD BE A SPECIAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY THAT COULD BE A WEBINAR FOR DELEGATES AND HOLE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS. MY RECOLLECTION FROM WHEN WE PRESENTED TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY LAST SUMMER IS THERE WAS A DESIRE ON THE

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PARTS OF SMALLER CITIES TO HAVE SOME SET-ASIDE. SO I THINK THAT'S THE KIND OF INPUT THAT WE WANT TO HEAR FROM LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AS WE'RE DEVELOPING THE EXPENDITURE PLAN. THAT'S ONE IDEA THEN WE HAVE A REGION FALL PLANNING COMMITTEE MADE UP OF NOT JUST ELECTED OFFICIALS BUT ALSO STAKEHOLDERS, SOME BUSINESS, LABOR, HOUSING, ENVIRONMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS. THAT'S I THINK KIND OF A GOOD REPRESENTATIVE STAKEHOLDER GROUP THAT IT MAY BE WORTH CONSIDERING PRESENTING TO YOU, AS WELL. SO I JUST WANTED TO PUT OUT THOSE IDEAS FOR STAFF'S CONSIDERATION. THANK YOU. AND I SUPPORT THE PROPOSED OUTREACH PLAN. COMMISSIONER SPERING?

JAMES P. SPERING: THANK YOU. I CERTAINLY AGREE WITH ALL OF YOUR COMMENTS. KATE WHAT I WAS GOING TO SUGGEST, WHEN YOU MAKE PRESENTATIONS TO CITY BOARDS AND COUNCILS, IF YOU COULD IDENTIFY ONE MEMBER OF THAT BOARD OR COUNCIL THIS'S SUPPORTIVE AND LET THEM DO THE INTRODUCTION AND GIVE THEM TALKING POINTS SO IT'S CONSISTENT THROUGHOUT THE REGION BUT IT WOULD BE GOOD TO HAVE THAT LOCAL ADVOCATE THAT'S HELPING TO PROMOTE OR INTRODUCING STAFF.

KATE HARTLEY: GREAT IDEA. THANK YOU.

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JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: PERHAPS SOME OF US CAN BE INFORMED WHEN THESE PRESENTATIONS ARE HAPPENING BECAUSE THEY CERTAINLY A ROLE THAT WE CAN PLAY AS WELL. CHAIR PEDROZA?

ALFREDO PEDROZA: THANK YOU, PRESIDENT ARREGUIN AND I CONCUR WITH COMMENTS. IS THERE AN OPPORTUNITY TO ASK ABOUT WHAT ARE THE INCENTIVES THAT THESE LOCAL ELECTED'S WANT IF THEIR COMMUNITIES WE KNOW IT'S NOT A ONE SIZE FITS ALL BUT COULD BE OPPORTUNITY TO FIGURE OUT THE INCENTIVES, WHAT OPPORTUNITY COULD BE THERE?

KATE HARTLEY: THROUGH THE CHAIR I THINK IT'S AN IMPORTANT EDUCATION PROCESS BECAUSE THE WAY THAT 1487 IS WRITTEN -- AND 1487 DOES DEFINE HOW THE FUNDS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED, THERE IS A GRIT DEAL OF FLEXIBILITY FOR THE JURISDICTIONS TO CRAFT A SPENDING PLAN AND EXPENDITURE PLAN IN A WAY THAT FITS THEIR JURISDICTION'S NEEDS. IT'S NOT A ONE SIZE FITS ALL, AT ALL. SO WHAT WE WANT TO DO, WE DEFINITELY WANT TO BE WORKING WITH YOU ALL AS OUR PARTNERS, AND AS MAYOR ARREGUIN SAID, AND COMMISSIONER SPERING SAID, IN INTRODUCING US TO JURISDICTION STAKEHOLDERS, THAT, YOU KNOW, COMING TO THE JURISDICTION, SORT OF, LAYING OUT THE RULES AND PARAMETERS, AND THEN WORKING WITH PEOPLE TO HAVE -- LET THEM UNDERSTAND, LIKE, THERE IS A WIDE VARIETY OF WAYS TO SPEND THE MONEY. SO, WE THINK THAT THERE IS -- THAT THAT EFFORT CAN BE VERY SUCCESSFUL.

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ALFREDO PEDROZA: I APPRECIATE THAT KATE GIVING THE JURISDICTION THE ABILITY TO LOOK AT WHAT WORKS FOR THEM AND ENCOURAGING INCENTIVES IF THERE IS A WAY TO INCORPORATE DENSITY BONUSES AND PRODUCING MORE HOUSING POTENTIALLY.

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: COMMISSIONER JOSEFOWITZ?

NICK JOSEFOWITZ: I THINK IT'S CRITICALLY IMPORTANT TO BE ABLE TO DELIVER THIS TYPE OF FUNDING IN THE REGION AND I ALSO WANTED TO CONGRATULATE ON THE START UP SECTION LEAD FOR HAVING ACHIEVED SO MUCH WITH RELATIVELY LITTLE FUNDING SO FAR, IT'S A TESTAMENT OF HOW WE AS A REGION AND COLLECTION OF AGENCIES CAN ADD VALUE TO EFFORTS GOING ON LOCALLY. I THINK IT'S NOT NECESSARILY CLEAR AND STILL I'M NOT CLEAR AFTER THIS PRESENTATION, WHAT ARE THE DECISIONS THAT NEED TO BE MADE FROM A POLICY PERSPECTIVE OR AROUND THE BALLOT MEASURE LIKE ARE THERE ANY -- EVERYTHING BASICALLY LIKE TAKING ENABLING LEGISLATION, IT'S IMPORTANT, WHEN YOU ARE PRESENTING HOW PEOPLE UNDERSTAND THAT, LIKE, ARE WE -- ARE WE GOING TO BE WITH THE REGIONAL SHARE? ARE WE GOING TO HAVE ANY -- ARE WE GOING TO BE, SORT OF, PUTTING ANY MORE GUARDRAILS AROUND IT OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT? OR IS IT JUST GOING TO KIND OF BE WE HAVE THE MINIMUM PERCENTAGES, AND WE HAVE EVERYTHING AND THE

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REGIONAL GOAL RETURN TO SOURCE AND EVERYTHING'S GOING TO BE DEDICATED AFTER IT PASSES?

KATE HARTLEY: THROUGH THE CHAIR, WE ARE DEVELOPING FUNDING GUIDELINES AND HAVE ESTABLISHED GOALS FOR BAHFA'S EXPENDITURES RULES THAT APPLY TO THE REGIONAL HOUSING BAHFA'S REGIONAL HOUSING FUNDING ARE DIFFERENT THAN JURISDICTIONS FUNDING BUT WE WANT TO PURSUE DENSITY, SCALE, AFFORDABILITY, RACIAL AND SOCIAL JUSTICE SO WHEN WE'RE DEVELOPING OUR FUNDING GUIDELINES WE'RE GOING TO BE MOVING FORWARD PURSUING THOSE PRINCIPLES AND GOALS THAT WE HAVE ARTICULATED IN OUR EQUITY FRAMEWORK AND IN OUR BUSINESS PLANNING PROCESS. THE JURISDICTIONS HAVE THE ABILITY TO WRITE THEIR EXPENDITURE PLANS, AND AS LONG AS THEY'RE IN COMPLIANCE WITH 1487, THEN THEY, BY OPERATION OF LAW, THE FUNDS CAN FLOW IN THE WAY THAT THEY HAVE DEFINED. BUT WE WILL BE WORKING WITH JURISDICTIONS. WE KNOW THAT CITIES ARE VERY INTERESTED IN AN EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS, FOR EXAMPLE, WE KNOW THAT THE -- THAT 1487 SPECIFICALLY REQUIRES JURISDICTIONS TO PRIORITIZE PROJECTS THAT MEET THE EXTREMELY LOW-INCOME, VERY LOW-INCOME, AND LOW-INCOME RHNA TARGETS OF THEIR JURISDICTION. AND WE WANT TO WORK WITH THE JURISDICTIONS TO UNDERSTAND HOW BEST TO LEVERAGE FUNDS AND HOW TO MEET THE, FOR EXAMPLE, MEET THE PIPELINE FUNDING PROJECT'S NEEDS THAT WE HAVE IDENTIFIED. SO WE WILL BE DEFINING VERY SPECIFIC GOALS AND PROGRAMS FOR OUR MONEY AND WE'LL BE WORKING IN CONCERT

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WITH JURISDICTIONS TO HELP THEM FIGURE OUT HOW, YOU KNOW, BEST TO LEVERAGE THEIR FUNDS.

NICK JOSEFOWITZ: THANK YOU. MAYBE IT MIGHT BE GOOD TO CIRCULATE BACK THOSE HIGH-LEVEL GOALS THAT WE HAVE. AND I DON'T -- LIKE, I -- YOU TOLD THEM AND NOW THEY HAVE, SORT OF, GONE OUT OF MY MIND BECAUSE THEY'RE WORDS THAT WE TALK ABOUT OFTEN SO I COULDN'T, SORT OF, PUT THEM BACK TOGETHER BUT TWO THINGS KIND OF COME TO MIND. FIRST ONE IS, YOU KNOW, I THINK THAT THERE'S A REAL FOCUS AROUND THIS REGION BY EVERYBODY, VOTERS, ET CETERA, ET CETERA, ON HOMELESSNESS. AND SO I WOULD ASK THE QUESTION OF HOW, YOU KNOW, WHAT IS THE WAY THAT WE CAN KIND OF THINK ABOUT HOMELESSNESS IN THE CONTEXT OF THIS FUNDING MEASURE. AND I DIDN'T HEAR HOMELESSNESS AS ONE OF THE TOP LINES, OBVIOUSLY YOU MENTIONED EXTREMELY LOW-INCOME HOUSING. AND I THINK -- I THINK IT WOULD BE WORTH GRAPPLING WITH THAT, AND YOU PROBABLY HAVE IF A WAY, BUT, SORT OF, SURFACING THAT.

KATE HARTLEY: WE HAVE. AND WE WILL BE BRINGING -- AS I MENTIONED, WE JUST BROUGHT OUR DRAFT EQUITY FRAMEWORK AND DRAFT FUNDING PROGRAMS TO THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND THE BAHFA OVERSIGHT AND JOINT HOUSING COMMITTEES YESTERDAY. ARTICULATED IN OUR NEW PRODUCTION FUNDING GOALS IS -- AND IN THE EQUITY FRAMEWORK IS TO ACHIEVE, I THINK THERE IS FIVE PRINCIPLE

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GOALS. ONE OF THEM IS TO BUILD MORE HOUSING, ESPECIALLY EXTREMELY LOW-INCOME HOUSING, AND ESPECIALLY HOMELESS HOUSING. SO WE'RE PUTTING THAT FRONT AND CENTER BECAUSE IT'S SUCH AN IMPORTANT PART OF OUR REGION'S HOUSING NEEDS. SO, I THINK WHEN WE -- YOU WILL ALL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THOSE DOCUMENTS AND APPROVE. WE'LL NEED YOUR APPROVAL ON THOSE DOCUMENTS AND WE'LL BE PROVIDING THAT INFORMATION. BUT THOSE ARE ALL THOSE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES ARE ARTICULATED IN OUR DOCUMENTS. AND I'LL GET THOSE DRAFTS TO YOU.

NICK JOSEFOWITZ: THANK YOU. AND THE SECOND ISSUE IS AROUND COST. AND I THINK, I KNOW WE PROBABLY -- MANY OF US PROBABLY SHARE A CONCERN IT'S JUST GETTING MORE AND MORE EXPENSIVE TO BUILD ANY TYPE OF HOUSING, AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING IS NOT IMMUNE IN THEIR ADDITIONAL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH PUTTING THESE COMPLICATED DEALS TOGETHER AND VARIOUS OTHER PUBLIC REQUIREMENTS THAT COME ALONG WITH USING PUBLIC MONEY. AND I THINK IT WOULD BE REALLY IMPORTANT FOR US. I WOULD REALLY LIKE TO SEE US KIND OF ADDRESS THAT HEAD ON. AND YOU MENTIONED SOME OF THE WORK YOU HAVE BEEN DOING AT BAHFA, BUT IN THE CONTEXT OF THIS MEASURE AND IN CONTEXT OF THE EXPENDITURE, IT'S A REAL OPPORTUNITY TO THINK ABOUT HOW WE CAN USE THIS MONEY TO DRIVE DOWN COST TO DELIVER HOUSING AND SHOW THE PUBLIC AND VOTERS THAT WE'RE TAKING THESE ISSUES SERIOUSLY BECAUSE I KNOW IT'S

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BEEN AN ISSUE IN VARIOUS DIFFERENT PLACES AROUND THE REGION OVER THE PAST YEAR.

KATE HARTLEY: WE'RE HAVE SEEN INCREASED CONDUCTION COST AS AN EXISTENTIAL THREAT TO OUR ABLE TO PRODUCE AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND WE KNOW THAT IF YOU CAN STREAMLINE FINANCING STREAMLINE DEVELOPMENT THROUGH A STREAMLINED ENTITLEMENT PROCESS TAKE ADVANTAGE OF TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATIONS LIKE MODULAR HOUSING THEN YOU CAN REDUCE COSTS, AND THAT IS EXACTLY WHAT WE NEED. BAHFA'S, IN OUR FUNDING PROGRAMS, BAHFA'S GOAL IS TO PACKAGE CONSTRUCTION AND GAP FUNDING AND PERMANENT FUNDING LOANS SO THAT WE CAN BE AS MUCH OF A ONE-STOP-SHOP AS POSSIBLE FOR DEVELOPERS BECAUSE IT'S THE MULTIPLE LAYERS OF LOAN APPLICATIONS THAT REALLY DELAY DEVELOPERS IN THEIR IMPLEMENTATION OF THEIR HOUSING. EVERY NEW APPLICATION THAT YOU MAKE ADDS A SIGNIFICANT PERCENTAGE TO THE COST OF YOUR PROJECT AND TIME. AND TIME IS MONEY IN DEVELOPMENT. SO THAT IS FRONT AND CENTER IN FUNDING GOALS TO CREATE STREAMLINED PROCESSES AND ALSO TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF NEW INNOVATIVE WAYS TO BUILD HOUSING SO THAT WE CAN REDUCE THOSE COSTS. WE HAVE TO DO THAT. IT'S VITALLY IMPORTANT.

NICK JOSEFOWITZ: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: ARE THERE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ON THIS ITEM FROM MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE? SEEING NO RAISED HANDS. I'LL ASK FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND OR PRESS STAR NINE? SEEING NONE. WRITTEN COMMENTS RECEIVED ON THIS ITEM?

CLERK OF THE BOARD: NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED ON THIS ITEM.

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ON THIS ITEM? SEEING NONE. THANK YOU, STAFF, FOR THE PRESENTATION, AND FOR DEVELOPING THIS OUTREACH PLAN AND WITH THAT WE'LL GO TO THE NEXT ITEM, 3B, STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH ON A POTENTIAL BAY AREA TRANSPORTATION MEASURE AND UPDATE ON ENABLING LEGISLATION. AND THIS IS AN INFORMATION ITEM. AND REBECCA LONG AND DAVE VAUTIN WILL PRESENT ON THIS ITEM.

REBECCA LONG: THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING CHAIR ARREGUIN, COMMISSIONERS AND DIRECTORS, REBECCA LONG DIRECTOR OF LEGISLATION AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE WORK OF MY COLLEAGUE DAVE VAUTIN HE HAS BEEN LEADING THE STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT BUT FORTUNATELY IS ALSO LEADING A SEA LEVEL RISE ENGAGEMENT SESSION RIGHT NOW SO HE HAD TO JUMP ON TO THAT AND I ALSO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE WORK OF GEORGIA GANN DOHRMANN HELPING WITH ALL OF THIS OUTREACH. I WANT TO

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MOVE QUICKLY IT IS LATE AND WE HAVE A FEW MORE ITEMS THIS MORNING. WE HAVE BEGUN AS WAS REFERENCED IN THE PRIOR ITEM TO DO STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT FOR A TRANSPORTATION MEASURE. WE HAVE BEEN MEETING KIND OF WITH DIFFERENT SECTORS SO WE HAVE MET WITH FOLKS IN THE LABOR COMMUNITY BUSINESS COMMUNITY TRANSIT AGENCY PARTNERS OUR BICYCLE ADVOCATE PARTNERS, ARE THE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AGENCIES, DISABILITY ADVOCATES, ET CETERA. AND THE MEMO HIGHLIGHTS SOME OF THE FEEDBACK WE HAVE GOTTEN TO DATE. WE'RE GOING TO BE GOING BACK OUT TO STAKEHOLDERS ONCE WE GET POLLING RESULTS IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS. BUT JUST SOME KEY ISSUES AND FEEDBACK WE HAVE GOTTEN SO FAR IS THAT SUSTAINING AND IMPROVING TRANSIT SERVICE IS A TOP PRIORITY. AND THERE SEEMS TO BE BROAD CONSENSUS THAT THAT SHOULD BE A FOCUS OF A REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION MEASURE. BUT, ALSO, RECOGNITION THAT THERE ARE MANY OTHER NEEDS AND MANY OTHER TRANSPORTATION NEEDS WITHIN THE REGION. SO THAT'S SOMETHING WE WANT TO EXPLORE MORE TO WHAT EXTENT SHOULD WE BE INCLUDING FURTHER ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENTS, POTENTIAL OTHER ROADWAY INVESTMENTS. LOOKING AT IMPROVING THE CONDITION OF OUR LOCAL STREETS AND ROADS, FOR EXAMPLE, SOME EMPHASIS IN THE CONTEXT OF LOCAL STREET AND ROADS DEFINITELY LOOKING AT SAFETY ENHANCEMENTS AND VISION ZERO, WHICH IS A BIG CHALLENGE IN THE REGION. WE HEARD FEEDBACK THAT WHEN WE THINK ABOUT PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION WE SHOULDN'T JUST BE LIMITING IN OUR MIND TO FIXED ROUTE PUBLIC TRANSIT BUT ALSO THINKING ABOUT

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ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION SUCH AS BIKESHARE, EXPANDED PARATRANSIT SERVICES, AS PART OF THAT PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM. WE ALSO HEARD FEEDBACK AROUND THINKING ABOUT THE BROADER POLICY GOALS FROM THE MEASURE, INCLUDING OF COURSE CLIMATE CHANGE, EQUITY, AND RESILIENCE. AND RATHER THAN THINKING OF THOSE AS TOPICS THAT WOULD HAVE THEIR SEPARATE BUCKET OF EXPENDITURES, THINKING ABOUT THE MEASURE AS I WHOLE IS REALLY ADVANCING THOSE POLICIES. SO THAT MIGHT INCLUDE HAVING SOME ADDITIONAL POLICY REQUIREMENTS THAT ARE ASSOCIATED WITH THE FUNDS, POTENTIALLY CONDITIONED ON RECEIPT OF THOSE FUNDS TO HELP LEVERAGE THE BENEFIT BEYOND JUST FUNDING THE PROJECT, MUCH AS WE HAVE USED MANY OF OUR TRANSPORTATION FUNDS TO HELP ADVANCE HOUSING GOALS. AND LET'S SEE. AS YOU MIGHT IMAGINE, WHEN WE WERE TALKING TO STAKEHOLDERS REGIONALLY, WE'RE HEARING POSITIVE FEEDBACK TO THE IDEA OF BUILDING THIS MEASURE FROM THE BOTTOM-UP. AND, ALSO, DOING IT IN SYNC WITH THE OUTREACH THAT IS PLANNED ON THE TRANSIT 2050 PLUS, AS WELL AS PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 PLUS, THE PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT THAT WE'RE PLANNING THIS SUMMER ON THAT. WE HAVE ALSO BEEN HEARING HELPFUL FEEDBACK FROM OUR POLICY ADVISORY COUNCIL. SO THAT'S JUST AN UPDATE ON THAT WORK. AND I'M HAPPY TO HEAR ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS. THANKS.

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: THANK YOU SO MUCH REBECCA. THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON

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THIS ITEM? IF SO PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND. OKAY. I DO NOT SEE ANY RAISED HANDS. JUST REALLY APPRECIATE ALL THE STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH THAT'S BEEN CONDUCTED TO DATE. AND I FEEDBACK IS INFORMATIVE. I THINK THE BIG ISSUE IS HOW TO BALANCE ADDRESSING THE FISCAL CLIFF WITH KIND OF THE BIGGER ISSUE OF, SORT OF, TRANSPORTATION CAPITAL PROJECTS. BUT, I THINK THE ONGOING OUTREACH WILL BE INFORMATIVE TO HELP DEVELOP A SET OF PRIORITIES FOR THE -- AND THE POLLING, AS WELL. SO THIS WILL BE COMING BACK TO US AT A FUTURE MEETING WITH THE POLLING RESULTS. AND UNLESS THERE IS ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM THE COMMITTEE, WE'LL MOVE TO PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. AND I SEE WE HAVE THREE RAISED HANDS AT THIS TIME. WE'LL GIVE EACH SPEAKER TWO MINUTES.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. AND WE DID RECEIVE WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE FROM ADINA G, AND ADINA LEVIN FROM SEAMLESS BAY AREA. FIRST UP PUBLIC SPEAKERS IS GEORGE SPIES AND ADINA LEVIN YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES.

SPEAKER: THANK YOU TO THE COMMITTEE AS WELL AS TO STAFF FOR THE UPDATE. I WANT TO SPEAK TO THE QUESTION OF ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION. I KNOW THAT MTC STAFF AND THE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE ARE WORKING TOGETHER ON CONSIDERING A TRANSITION FROM THE BAY WHEELS CONTRACT TO BIKESHARE TO POTENTIALLY A PUBLICLY GOVERNED AND SUBSIDIZED REGIONAL SYSTEM. AND I

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SUPPORT THAT VERY STRONGLY, AS A DEDICATED TRANSIT USER, AND SOMEONE WHO PAIRS TRANSIT WITH ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION, BIKESHARE, AND MY OWN BICYCLE. THIS IS A REALLY CRITICAL PIECE TO FINISHING OUT ANY TRANSIT SYSTEM THAT FIRST MILE LAST MILE, AND INCREASING TRANSIT RIDERSHIP THROUGH THE ADDITIONAL CONNECTIVITY OF BIKESHARE AND MOBILITY SHARE. AND I THINK THAT IN ORDER TO MAKE THAT WORK, IT NEEDS TO BE A REGIONAL SYSTEM, IT NEEDS TO BE PUBLICLY GOVERNED, IT NEEDS TO BE SUBSIDIZED AND I URGE MTC TO ADD THAT THINKING TO THE DESIGN OF ANY POTENTIAL FUNDING MEASURE THAT GOES BEFORE THE VOTERS. BECAUSE I THINK THAT IT'S GOING TO BE A CRITICAL ELEMENT TO MAKING THE ENTIRE SYSTEM WORK. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME AND ATTENTION.

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: NEXT UP IS ADINA LEVIN, FOLLOWED BY ROBERT ALAN. ADINA GO AHEAD AND UNMUTE YOURSELF.

SPEAKER: ADINA LEVIN, I SIT ON THE POLICY ADVISORY COUNCIL, AND, ALSO, WITH SEAMLESS BAY AREA AND OTHER ADVOCACY HATS, PARTICIPATE IN THE VOICES FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION COALITION. AND, REALLY, JUST VERY THANKFUL AND SUPPORTIVE OF SEEING THIS INITIATIVE MOVE FORWARD WITH MTC LEADERSHIP WORKING WITH A TRANSIT AGENCIES AND PUBLIC AGENCIES TO HAVE A PUBLICLY LED

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PROCESS WITH STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND BROAD PUBLIC OUTREACH AND HAVING THIS MOVING FORWARD. GLAD TO SEE THAT THIS, IN THE STAFF REPORT, THE CENTERING OF THE FUNDAMENTAL IMPORTANCE OF TRANSIT SERVICE BEING ABLE TO PROVIDE THAT FREQUENT AND RELIABLE SERVICE FOR PEOPLE WHO DEPEND ON PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AND OUR REGION'S EQUITY AND CLIMATE AND HOUSING GOALS THAT DEPEND ON HAVING THAT PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SERVICE. THIS IS IMPORTANT BEFORE THE PANDEMIC AND IS IMPORTANT NOW MORE THAN EVER WITH IMPORTANT FINANCIAL CHALLENGES FACING PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION. GLAD TO SEE THE INCLUSION OF HAVING GOALS OF HAVING AN INTEGRATED CONVENIENT SYSTEM WITH INTEGRATED FARES AND SCHEDULES AND HAVING A FUNDING SOURCE THAT'S ABLE TO DELIVER THE ELEMENTS OF THE TRANSFORMATION PLAN THAT THE MTC HAVE BEEN WORKING SO HARD ON. AND THE POLICIES BEING LOOKED AT TO GUIDE THE MEASURE, AND WITH REGARD TO POLICIES WANTED TO CONNECT THE DOTS BETWEEN HAVING POLICIES GUIDING THE MEASURE AND GETTING TO THE OUTCOMES OF AN INTEGRATED AND CONVENIENT SYSTEM. IT WOULD BE REALLY IMPORTANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THOSE POLICIES THAT ENABLE THAT INTEGRATED SYSTEM TO BE DELIVERED. THANK YOU.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. LAST SPEAKER IS GOING TO BE ROBERT ALAN. GO AHEAD AND UNMUTE YOURSELF.

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SPEAKER: THANKS MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE THIS IS BOB ALAN FROM URBAN HABITAT AND VOICES FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION COALITION. I WANT TO THANK REBECCA AND STAFF FOR THEIR WORK ON THIS AND RESPONDING TO WHAT A LOT OF US HAVE BEEN CALLING FOR, FOR A WHILE NOW AROUND THE CRISIS THAT EVERYONE HAS RECOGNIZED. WITH HOUSING, WE WANT TO MAKE SURE WE'RE COMPLEMENTING THAT AND NOT TAKING THE POLITICAL OXYGEN OUT OF THE ROOM. WE'RE CERTAINLY SUPPORTIVE OF THAT BALLOT MEASURE BUT THINK THAT THIS MEASURE NEEDS TO BE ASSEMBLED WITH THE TYPES OF POLICIES IN WHICH ADINA REFERENCED IN HER COMMENTS. SO WE'RE THANKFUL FOR THAT BUT I DO WANT TO MAKE THE PARTICULAR COMMENT, I HEARD FROM TALKING TO STATE COMMITTEE AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE STAFF THERE ARE LOTS OF POLICY REFORMS THAT WE SHOULD INITIATE TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF THE SYSTEM. URBAN HABITAT WE CERTAINLY SUPPORT HAVING A BETTER RIDER EXPERIENCE AND THAT IMPROVES EQUITY MAYBE SOMETHING WE CAN TOUCH ABOUT IN THE FISCAL CLIFF AND STATE FUNDING SUPPORT IS WE HAVE NEVER HAD SUFFICIENT OPERATING FUNDING, AND WE MAY DISAGREE ABOUT WAYS IN WHICH FUNDING IS USED, PARTICULARLY WE HAVE A STRUCTURAL PROBLEM WITH ADDRESSING STATE FUNDS, AND REFORMULATING AT THE STATE LEVEL, THAT SOME OF THE TRANSIT AGENCIES, MUNI, BART, CALTRAIN SIGNED ON TO GET THE 80/20 SPLIT FEDERALLY. BUT I WANT TO MAKE THE POINT THAT PART OF FIXING THE SYSTEM INCLUDES SOME OF THE STRUCTURAL AND MANAGERIAL CHANGES FOR HOW WE ORGANIZE TRANSIT, BUT INCLUDES ADEQUATE FUNDING FOR OPERATING SERVICE STRUCTURAL

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PROBLEMS WE HAVE HAD IN PUBLIC TRANSIT, STRONGER AND BETTER SYSTEM LOOKING FORWARD TO WORKING WITH EVERYONE. THANK YOU.

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I DON'T SEE ANY ADDITIONAL RAISED HANDS AND MARTHA YOU ACKNOWLEDGED THAT WE DIDN'T RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM? OKAY. I'LL BRING IT BACK TO THE COMMITTEE AND ASK IF THERE ARE ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS? THANK YOU TO STAFF FOR ALL YOUR WORK. APPEAL PROCEED TO THE NEXT AGENDA ITEM IT'S SOMEWHAT RELATED THE GOVERNOR'S FISCAL YEAR 2023, 2024 STATE BUDGET PROPOSAL THIS IS AN INFORMATION ITEM AND REBECCA LONG WILL PRESENT ON THIS ITEM.

REBECCA LONG: THANK YOU. THERE WAS A HAND OUT IN YOUR AGENDA THAT WAS ADDED ON TO THIS PACKET LAST NIGHT OR LATE AFTERNOON. SO THAT GIVES AN OVERVIEW OF WHAT HAS BEEN PROPOSED IN THE GOVERNOR'S BUDGET. AS YOU HAVE PROBABLY ARE WELL AWARE, THERE'S A SIGNIFICANT FORECASTED DEFICIT NOW WITH JUST THE IMPACT OF STOCK MARKET CRASHES OVER THE LAST YEAR AND THE HIGHLY PROGRESSIVE TAX STRUCTURE THAT CALIFORNIA HAS THAT IS SUBJECT TO VOLATILE SWINGS UP-AND-DOWN. SO, WE'RE LOOKING AT A 22 AND A HALF BILLION DOLLARS BUDGET DEFICIT ACCORDING TO THE ADMINISTRATION, WHICH IS SLIGHTLY LESS THAN WHAT THE LEGISLATIVE ANALYSTS HAD FORECAST, AND THE GOVERNOR IS PROPOSING TO ADDRESS THIS NOT THROUGH PULLING ON ANY OF THE RAINY DAY FUNDS, BUT THROUGH DEFERRALS AND CUTS TO SPENDING.

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UNFORTUNATELY, WITH RESPECT TO TRANSPORTATION AND CLIMATE CHANGE, A LOT OF THE PROPOSED CUTS ARE HITTING THOSE CATEGORIES. WE'RE PARTICULARLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE PULLING BACK OF $2 BILLION IN TRANSIT CAPITAL FUNDING THAT THE COMMISSION HAD ANTICIPATED AND DID SOME INITIAL PROGRAMMING AND PRIORITIZATION FOR THOSE FUNDS WHICH YOU MAY RECALL THE EXPRESSION AUGMENT TWO. THIS IS PART OF THE MAJOR PROJECT ADVANCEMENT POLICY AND WE HAD ANTICIPATED 800 MILLION COMING TO THE REGION OVER THE NEXT TWO FISCAL YEARS. SO THAT REDUCTION OF 2 BILLION AMOUNTS TO A CUT TO THE REGION OF ABOUT 400 MILLION. AND KEY PROJECTS THAT HAD BEEN SLATED TO RECEIVE THOSE FUNDS BY THE COMMISSIONS PRIORITIZATION INCLUDED BART TO SILICON VALLEY PHASE TWO, BART CORE CAPACITY, AS WELL AS KIND OF A CATEGORY THAT WE LEFT MORE OPEN FOR ZERO EMISSION TRANSITION, GRADE SEPARATIONS, AND THE LIKE. SO THAT'S REALLY THE BIGGEST IMPACT ON THE BUDGET SIDE. OF COURSE, WE'RE ALSO DISAPPOINTED THOUGH NOT ENTIRELY SURPRISED THAT AT THIS STAGE IN THE PROCESS THERE IS NO FUNDING PROPOSED TO ADDRESS THE TRANSIT OPERATING FISCAL CLIFF. WE WERE GIVEN FAIR WARNING OF THAT FROM ADMINISTRATION STAFF. BUT THAT'S STILL OBVIOUSLY A KEY CONCERN AND REMAINS A BIG BUDGET PRIORITY FOR THE COMMISSION. AND THEN ON THE HOUSING SIDE, SLIGHTLY BETTER NEWS. HUGE INVESTMENTS WERE MADE IN HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS IN THE LAST YEAR'S BUDGET WITH SOME ANTICIPATION GOING FORWARD FOR FUTURE YEARS AND OUT OF ABOUT 3 BILLION THAT WAS IN LAST

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YEAR'S BUDGET AGREEMENT FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAMS, THE BUDGET IS PROPOSING TO REDUCE THAT JUST BY ABOUT 350 MILLION, AND THOSE CUTS ARE REALLY AROUND HOMEOWNERSHIP PROGRAMS AND A NEW ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT FINANCING PROGRAM. AND SO, REALLY, THE PROGRAMS THAT ARE FOCUSED ON LOWER INCOME, HOUSING PRODUCTION, AS WELL AS HOMELESSNESS ARE LEFT INTACT. BACK TO CLIMATE CHANGE, I WOULD NOTE THAT A NEW RESILIENCE PLANNING AND ACTUAL CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM THAT WAS ANTICIPATED TO GET ANOTHER 100 MILLION THIS YEAR IS NOT PROPOSED TO BE FUNDED AND IS ACTUALLY SCALED BACK BY 25 MILLION FROM THE CURRENT YEAR. AND THEN THERE IS ALSO PROPOSED REDUCTION IN FUNDING FOR SAN FRANCISCO BAY WETLANDS, AS WELL AS THE STATE COASTAL CONSERVANCY. THAT WAS MORE ON THE DISAPPOINTMENT SIDE. LASTLY, THE BUDGET INCLUDED TRAILER BILL LANGUAGE TO ESTABLISH A $250 MILLION SOFT-STORY MULTI-FAMILY SEISMIC RETROFITTING PROGRAM WHICH HAS BEEN LONG-STANDING ABAG PRIORITY AND IS NOT PROPOSED FOR FUNDING. SO WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO THAT AND FOR NOW THAT IS NO LONGER ON THE TABLE. THAT'S A SNAPSHOT PUTTING INFORMATION ON OUR WEB SITE ABOUT THIS, TO THE FISCAL CLIFF SIDE OF THINGS SHARING WE'RE GETTING STRONG SUPPORT FROM BAY AREA TRANSIT AGENCIES, COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AGENCIES, MANY STAKEHOLDERS INCLUDING BAY AREA COUNCIL SPUR TRANSFORM SILICON VALLEY LEADERSHIP GROUP MANY ENVIRONMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS STATEWIDE FOR A LETTER RELATED TO FISCAL CLIFF THAT WE PLAN TO

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SEND NEXT WEEK. WE'RE WORKING CLOSELY WITH CALIFORNIA TRANSIT ASSOCIATION SO WE STAY ALIGNED WITH THEIR EFFORTS.

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM THE COMMITTEE? SEEING NONE. PUBLIC COMMENT IF YOU WISH TO SPEAK RAISE YOUR HAND OR PRESS STAR NINE. I SEE ONE RAISED HANDS. WE'LL GIVE THE SPEAKER TWO MINUTES.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. BOB ALAN? GO AHEAD AND UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES.

SPEAKER: THANK YOU. BOB ALAN AGAIN, URBAN HABITAT, VOICES FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION COALITION, AGAIN. WANT TO THANK REBECCA AND STAFF FOR WORKING TOGETHER WITH A PRETTY BROAD RANGE OF ADVOCATES. PROBABLY THE BIGGEST BIG TENT THAT I HAVE BEEN A PART OF IN THE 15 YEARS I HAVE BEEN DOING THIS WORK ON THE BAY AREA TRANSPORTATION. OBVIOUSLY AS I SAID EARLIER, IT'S AN A SIGN OF THE DEPTH OF THE CRISIS BUT ALSO AN OPPORTUNITY. I HAVE HAD COORDINATIONS WITH FOLKS ON TRANSIT IN SAN FRANCISCO AND OAKLAND AND IN THE PENINSULA WHO ARE QUITE EXCITED ABOUT THE FACT THAT WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO REALLOCATE, RETHINK SERVICE AWAY FROM JUST KIND OF AM, PM PEAK SERVICE. YOU KNOW WE'RE MOVING EVERYONE DOWNTOWN TO SAN FRANCISCO OAKLAND. BECAUSE WE DO HAVE A LARGE NUMBER OF FOLKS WE'RE IN A BUBBLE IN THE BAY AREA WHO DON'T GET TO WORK-FROM-HOME LIKE MANY FOLKS DO, WE

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KNOW MOST TRIPS ARE NOT COMMUTE TRIPS. THEY'RE ALL THE SHORT TRIPS THAT PEOPLE KEEP AND RELY ON THEIR CARS AND FOLKS WHO DON'T HAVE CARS, RELY ON TRANSIT. WE HAVE A CHANCE TO REIMAGINE AND IMPROVE SERVICE BUT WE HAVE TO ADDRESS IT THROUGH THIS LENS OF A CRISIS. SO, THE LARGER EFFORT THAT'S BEEN PUT TOGETHER BY A NUMBER OF THE ADVOCACY ORGANIZATIONS AND WORKING CLOSELY WITH MTC AND STATEWIDE WITH PARTNERS IT'S GOING TO BE A CHALLENGE WITH THE BUDGET CRISIS WE HAVE TO FIGURE OUT A WAY TO FOCUS ON WHAT WE AGREE ON WHICH ARE HOPEFULLY SOME OF THE THINGS I MENTIONED AND MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER. BUT I THINK WE HAVE BUILT A GOOD INITIAL FOUNDATION AND I WANT TO RECOGNIZE THE WORK THAT EVERYONE ALL THE PARTNERS HAVE DONE IN THE BAY AREA AND HOPEFULLY WE CAN MOVE FORWARD AND COME THROUGH A CRISIS IN A BETTER PLACE FOR THE SYSTEM. THANK YOU.

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I SEE WE HAVE ONE ADDITIONAL SPEAKER. ADINA LEVIN.

ADINA LEVIN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WANTED TO ECHO WHAT BOB ALAN HAS SAID, REALLY IT'S A REALLY CHALLENGING SITUATION TO BE IN, BUT IT IS REALLY GRATIFYING TO SEE THE -- A BROAD COALITION WITH THE INSTITUTIONAL LEADERSHIP TO BE ABLE TO ADDRESS THIS CRISIS. AND FROM SOME CONVERSATIONS OVER THE LAST FEW DAYS WITH LEGISLATIVE STAFF ABOUT THE ELEVATING THIS ISSUE

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AT THE STATE LEGISLATURE, I AGREE WITH WHAT BOB ALLEN IS SAYING THAT IT'S IMPORTANT NOT JUST TO MAKE A POINT ABOUT HOW IMPORTANT PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION IS TO BE ABLE TO CONTINUE TO ACHIEVE OUR STATE'S GOALS AND NOT LET THEM DROP BY THE WAYSIDE BY ACCIDENT, BUT ALSO IMPORTANT TO SHOW THAT WE, ESPECIALLY IN THIS REGION ARE WORKING TO TRANSFORM THE SYSTEM FOR THE FUTURE AND TODAY'S REALITY SUPERVISOR THAT'S SOMETHING THAT CAN HELP US WITH THE LEGISLATURE AND WITH THE PUBLIC CONFIDENCE THAT WE NEED FOR THE SUPPORT. SO I THINK THIS ITEM AND THE PREVIOUS ITEM GO HAND IN HAND TOGETHER. SO, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO CONTRIBUTING TO SUPPORTING THIS INITIATIVE. THANK YOU.

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I DON'T SEE ANY ADDITIONAL MEMBERS WITH THEIR HAND RAISED. ANY PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM? NO WRITTEN CORRESPOND RECEIVED ON THIS ITEM.

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. COMMISSIONER SPERING?

JAMES P. SPERING: THANK YOU MR. CHAIRMAN. REBECCA IS THERE ANY THOUGHT ABOUT BRINGING A DELEGATION TOGETHER AND MEETING WITH THE GOVERNOR AND SENATOR AND ASSEMBLY CHAIRS TO HAVE A DISCUSSION ABOUT THIS? I DON'T KNOW THAT EITHER OF THOSE UNDERSTAND THE ENORMITY OF THIS PROBLEM.

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REBECCA LONG: THANK YOU, COMMISSIONER SPERING. SO, ONE PIECE OF GOOD NEWS IS THE BAY AREA CAUCUS IS INTERESTED IN HEARING A BRIEFING ON THIS, THIS FRIDAY, AND INVITED ME TO DO THAT H WE HAD ASKED FOR AN OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT THEM AT THEIR JANUARY RETREAT AND EARLIER. THEY SAID NO WE'RE GOT READY TO HEAR IT NOW. WE'LL LISTEN TO YOU IN FEBRUARY. SO FAR I THINK THEY'RE HEARING A LOT OF THIS IN THE NEWS, AND THEY'RE INTEREST IMMEDIATE THAT. SO THE BAY AREA CAUCUS WILL BE GETTING AN UPDATE SHORTLY. IT WOULD BE GREAT TO ARRANGE A MEETING WITH COMMISSIONERS AND ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS LATER THIS MONTH AS WELL. GEORGIA AND I ARE WORKING ON OUR REGULAR SACRAMENTO VISITS FOR LATER IN FEBRUARY. AND I THINK THAT'S NOT TOO LATE, AS WELL, TO CONTINUE TO TALK ABOUT THE BUDGET. SO, YOU KNOW, ABSOLUTELY, WE WANT TO ENGAGE THE COMMISSION AND BUILD ON THOSE RELATIONSHIPS THAT YOU HAVE AND TALKING TO LEGISLATORS. SO, WE'LL BE IN TOUCH ON THAT.

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: I THINK THAT'S A GOOD IDEA AND PERHAPS IT MAKES SENSE TO SELECTIVELY INVITE SOME OF THE OPERATORS AND YOU KNOW, THE BAY AREA COUNCIL AS PART OF THIS COALITION TO HAVE THEM INCLUDED. I THINK THE MORE BROADER OF A COALITION, I THINK THE MORE IMPACTFUL IT'S GOING TO BE. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? SEEING NONE. THANK YOU SO MUCH, REBECCA. WE'LL PROCEED TO ITEM 4B UPDATE ON CLEAN-UP LEGISLATION FOR THE BAY

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AREA HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY. THIS IS AN INFORMATION ITEM, AND JULIE SNYDER WILL PRESENT ON THIS ITEM.

SPEAKER: JULIE SNYDER PRINCIPAL LEGISLATIVE ADVOCATE FOR HOUSING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT MTC AND ABAG. APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT ON OUR SPONSOR BILL TODAY. THIS IS AN INFORMATION ITEM. BRINGING IT TO YOU BECAUSE YOU GAVE US DIRECTION ON THE 2023 ADVOCACY PLATFORM TO PURSUE AN INTRODUCTION OF CLEAN UP LEGISLATION FOR THE BAHFA ENABLING STATUTE AND WE WANTED TO SHARE AN UPDATE AND GET SOME FEEDBACK. I'LL PROVIDE CONTEXT IN WHICH WE HAVE DEVELOPED THE BILL AND PROVISIONS WE'RE CURRENTLY CONTEMPLATING FOR INCLUSION. I'LL WALK THROUGH A LEGISLATIVE STRATEGY. WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR FEEDBACK IN THIS PIECE. FIRST THE CONTEXT. AS THE STATE'S FIRST REGIONAL HOUSING AGENCY, BAHFA IS A PIONEER, AND AS WITH MOST PIONEERS BAHFA NEW STAFF ARE BUILDING AS THEY GO SEEKING SOLUTIONS TO NEW CHALLENGES AND RESPONDING TO EMERGING NEEDS THAT ARE BEING IDENTIFIED BY BAY AREA CITIES AND COUNTIES. THE DEVELOPMENT OF BAHFA'S BUSINESS PLAN, IN PARTICULAR, SURFACED A NUMBER OF STATUTORY CLARIFICATIONS NEEDED TO ALLOW BAHFA TO ACHIEVE THE HOUSING PRODUCTION, PRESERVATION, AND PROTECTION GOALS OUTLINED IN ITS AUTHORIZING STATUTE, WHICH WAS A.B. 1487 BY THEN ASSEMBLYMEMBER DAVID CHU. IT'S ALSO IMPORTANT TO KEEP IN MIND BAHFA WAS CREATED IN 20194 YEARS AGO AND BEFORE THE PANDEMIC AND OTHER EVENTS CHANGED THE

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LANDSCAPE THAT WE'RE OPERATING IN. SO BAHFA WOULD LIKE AUTHORIZATION TO IMPLEMENT SOME OF THE BEST PRACTICES THAT EVOLVED DURING THE PANDEMIC AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE PENDING CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT THAT KATE MENTIONED EARLIER. HOW DO THESE FACTORS TRANSLATE INTO THE BILL WE'RE SPONSORING? I WANT TO START BY NOTING THAT ATTACHMENT A IN YOUR PACKET OUTLINES THE MAJOR PROVISIONS THAT WILL BE IN THE BILL WHEN IT'S INTRODUCED IN FEBRUARY. I LIKE TO THINK OF THEM AS BEING IN TWO BUCKETS. FIRST ARE THOSE THAT RESPOND TO THE CHANGES THAT HAVE BEEN WROUGHT BY COVID AND THE OTHER EVENTS IN THE FOUR YEARS SINCE BAHFA WAS A CREATED. IN THE SECOND BUCKET ARE CLARIFICATION OF BAHFA'S EXISTING AUTHORITY AND SOME SMALL FIXES IDENTIFIED BY OUR LEGISLATION COUNCIL. IN OUR FIRST BUCKET, WE HAVE THREE MAIN PIECES. KATE MENTIONED CONFORMITY, COALITION OF BAY AREA ORGANIZATIONS PLANNING TO GATHER SIGNATURES TO MACE AN INSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ON THE 2024 BALLOT THAT AMENDMENT WOULD LOWER THE VOTE THRESHOLD FOR PASSENGER OF LOCAL AND REGIONAL HOUSING BONDS AND IT MAY EXPAND ALLOWABLE USES OF BOND PROCEEDS IN THE SAME VEIN ASSEMBLYMEMBER AGUIAR CURRY HAS REINTRODUCED ASSEMBLY CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE TO LOWER THE VOTE THRESHOLD FOR A SUITE OF BOTH HOUSING AND LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE BONDS OUR BILL WOULD CONFORM BAHFA'S STATUTE THROUGH CONSTITUTION AS IT MAY BE AMENDED BY VOTERS THROUGH EITHER OF THESE EFFORTS SECOND ITEM ON THE CHANGING WORLD CATEGORY

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AUTHORIZING BAHFA TO BUY AND SELL REAL PROPERTY ADVANCING AGENCIES ALREADY'S ESTABLISHED OBJECTIVES THIS IS A RESPONSE IN PART TO REQUEST FROM CITIES AND COUNTIES FOR BAHFA TO PARTICIPATE IN A JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY THAT WOULD EXPAND AFFORDABLE RENTAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR MODERATE AND MIDDLE INCOME HOUSEHOLDS ALLOWING BAHFA TO PARTNER WITH SMALLER JURISDICTIONS TO RESPOND NIMBLY WHEN DESIRABLE PROPERTIES COME INTO THE MARKET. THIRD PROVISION IN THIS CATEGORY IS EXPANSION OF TYPES OF ASSISTANCE BAHFA'S TENANT PROTECTION PROGRAMS WILL ABLE TO OFFER WITH FOCUS ON PREVENTING HOMELESSNESS THIS AMENDMENT WOULD ALLOW THE AGENCY TO OFFER EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SUPPORTIVE SERVICES AND HOUSING PROBLEM SOLVING AND TO SISTER PEOPLE WHO DON'T HOLD A LEASE. THIS CHANGES A DIRECT RESPONSE TO INNOVATIONS THAT WERE CRAFTED DURING THE PANDEMIC. SECOND BUCKET OF CLARIFICATION AND MINOR FIXES ARE LARGER. I'LL HIGHLIGHT TWO TO GIVE YOU A FLAVOR. FIRST, TO CLARIFY THAT BAHFA LENDING AUTHORITY INCLUDES AUTHORITY TO ISSUE BONDS BACKED BY RENT AND MORTGAGE PAYMENTS INTENDED BY DRAFTERS OF THE ORIGINAL BILL THAT COULD BE CLEARER IN THE STATUTE. SECOND THE BILL COULD STATE THAT BAHFA CAN LEVY A TAX TO REPAY BONDS THAT ARE AUTHORIZED BY VOTERS A TECHNICAL CHANGE TO EASE TAX ADMINISTRATION AT THE COUNTY LEVEL. I'M GOING TO SEGUE INTO OUR STRATEGY FOR SUCCESS. OUR OVERARCHING STRATEGY IN THE LEGISLATURE IS TO DEMONSTRATE A STRONG REGIONAL CONSENSUS. WE'RE THRILLED THAT ASSEMBLY HOUSING COMMITTEE CHAIR BUFFY

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WICKS IS TAKING UP THE MANTLE OF DAVID CHU AS THE AUTHOR OF OUR BILL WE'LL WORK CLOSELY WITH HER AND YOU TO SECURE COAUTHOR SHIPS FROM SACRAMENTO BAY AREA DELEGATION ACROSS THE BOARD. ADDITIONALLY NON-PROFIT HOUSING ASSOCIATION OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND ENTERPRISE COMMUNITY PARTNERS HAVE AGREED TO COSPONSOR THIS BILL, THE ORIGINAL SPONSORS OF ORIGINAL 1487. OUR NEXT STEP SEEKING SUPPORT FROM THE BAY AREA'S LEADING BUSINESS HOUSING CIVIC AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS. I'M GOING TO STOP HERE AND CLOSE LIE THANKING YOU AGAIN FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TODAY.

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM THE COMMITTEE? SUPERVISOR CANEPA?

DAVID CANEPA: THANK YOU FOR THE PRESENTATION, JULIE. YOU CAN EXPLAIN TO ME WHAT BAHFA'S ROLE IS RELATIVE TO THE CITIES AND COUNTIES? ARE WE -- ARE WE THE OWNERS OF THE LAND? OR IS THE CITY AND COUNTIES? HELP ME UNDERSTAND HOW, WHAT OUR ROLE IS, ARE WE FINANCING? CAN YOU, SORT OF, EXPLAIN WHAT THAT LOOKS LIKE IN

SPEAKER: SURE. THROUGH THE CHAIR?

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: YES, PLEASE. THANK YOU.

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SPEAKER: GREAT QUESTION. WE VIEW BAHFA AS BEING AN INTEGRAL PARTNERS WITH CITIES AND COUNTIES LOOKING AT DIFFERENT WAYS IN COUNTIES AS AN INTEGRAL PARTNER WITH BAHFA'S WORK BUYING LAND SCENARIOS ENVISION BEING EXTREMELY USEFUL FOR THE FORMATION OF JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY WITH CITIES AND COUNTIES WE HAVE ASKED BAHFA TO STEP INTO THIS SPACE SO WE CAN ISSUE REVENUE BONDS AND INCREASE HOUSING STOCK THAT'S PERMANENTLY AFFORDABLE TO MODERN AND MIDDLE INCOME HOUSEHOLDS THAT'S A PRIME EXAMPLE IN WAYS BAHFA WILL BE VALUE ADD TO THE WORK CITIES AND COUNTIES ARE ALREADY DOING. WE'RE ENVISIONING MUCH OF WHAT BAHFA DOES AS BEING PART AND PARCEL OF HELPING CITIES AND COUNTIES MEET THEIR RHNA GOALS, THEIR TENANT PROTECTIONS OBJECTIVES ENDING HOMELESSNESS, ALL OF OUR KEY PRIORITIES FOR LOCALITIES.

DAVID CANEPA: YOU CAN PROVIDE A CONCRETE EXAMPLE. ONE OF THE THINGS, CITIES AND COUNTIES MAY HAVE A SURPLUS PROPERTY BUT NOT THE ABILITY TO FUND IT. IS THAT WHERE WE WOULD COME IN AND HELP?

SPEAKER: SURE. AND LET ME SEE IF KATE WANTS TO ADD ANYTHING THERE? I KNOW SHE HAS BEEN GIVING A LOT OF THOUGHT TO THIS PARTICULAR QUESTION.

KATE HARTLEY: YES. WE COULD WORK WITH JURISDICTIONS WHO MAY NOT HAVE THE CASH ON HAND TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF A PROPERTY THAT

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GOES ON SAIL, AND ACT QUICKLY TO BUY IT AND THEN WE WOULD LIKELY, AGAIN, WORKING IN CONCERT WITH THE JURISDICTION, ISSUE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ON THAT SITE. AND THEN THERE WOULD BE A TRANSFER OF THE LAND TO THE NEW OWNER WHO WOULD BUILD THE HOUSING. AND, DEPENDING ON THE DESIRE OF THE JURISDICTION, IT COULD EITHER BE A FULL SALE OF THE LAND OR IT COULD BE A LONG-TERM GROUND LEASE. 99 YEAR GROUND LEASE. THE LATTER WOULD ENABLE EITHER BAHFA OR THE JURISDICTION TO BE INVOLVED OVER THE LONG-TERM TO MESH THAT THERE WAS NEVER A LOSS OF AFFORDABILITY AT THAT SITE.

DAVID CANEPA: GREAT. THE WAY WE'RE POSITIONED ON THAT WE WOULD BE ABLE TO MANAGE OUR RISK, RIGHT, PRETTY WELL? BECAUSE OF THE -- YEAH?

KATE HARTLEY: YES. IN THAT SCENARIO, WE WOULD TRANSFER -- WE WOULD HAVE TO WORK WITH THE JURISDICTION AND THERE WOULD BE SOME HOLDING COST ASSOCIATED WITH THE ACQUISITION, BUT WITH THE RESOURCES THAT WE HAVE, WE COULD MANAGE THOSE IN ADDITION TO THE ACQUISITION PRICING. AND THEN WE WOULD HAVE INSURANCE, AND THEN WE WOULD TRANSFER RESPONSIBILITY, FULLY, TO A DEVELOPER THROUGH AN RFP PROCESS.

DAVID CANEPA: OKAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS? OKAY. SEEING NONE. WE'LL PROCEED TO PUBLIC COMMENT. I SEE WE HAVE TWO RAISED HANDS, WE'LL ALLOT TWO MINUTES PER SPEAKER.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: FIRST UP IS GOING TO BE JUSTIN MARCUS, FOLLOWED BY JT. GO AHEAD AND UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES.

SPEAKER: HI. GOOD AFTERNOON THIS IS JUSTINE MARCUS, POLICY DIRECTOR WITH ENTERPRISE COMMUNITY PARTNERS. ENTERPRISE HAS SIGNED UP TO COSPONSOR THIS PIECE OF CLEAN UP LANGUAGE, CLEAN UP LEGISLATION, AND WE WANT TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION TO ALL OF YOU FOR TAKING ON THIS IMPORTANT FOCUS, BUT IMPORTANT CLEAN UP LEGISLATION, WE'RE THINK THIS IS GOING TO SET BAHFA UP TO BE SUCCESSFUL WITH THE FUTURE BALLOT MEASURES AND TO BE ABLE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ANY OPPORTUNITIES WE UNLOCK WITH THE POTENTIAL STATE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. SO LOOKING FORWARD TO WORKING SIDE BY SIDE WITH YOU ALL ON THIS EFFORT. AND THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR PARTNERSHIP.

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU JUSTINE. APOLOGIES FOR GETTING YOUR NAME INCORRECTLY. NEXT UP IS JT

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SPEAKER: I'M HERE TOLL REITERATE WHAT JUSTINE SHARED WITH YOU ALL. IT'S PART OF OUR LEADERSHIP TEAM AND WE ARE THRILLED TO SEE THIS CLEAN UP LANGUAGE AS PART OF THE LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE THIS YEAR. ENTERPRISE COSPONSORED THIS LEGISLATION FIRST TIME AROUND AND WE'RE EXCITED TO PARTNER WITH MTC AND ABAG ON THIS AGAIN IN 2023. THE CLEAN UP PROVISIONS ARE IMPACTFUL AND UPHOLD THE SPIRIT OF A.B. 1487 AND BALANCING REGIONAL APPROACH WITH LOCAL FLEXIBILITY. WE APPRECIATE THE WORK.

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: COMMENTS?

CLERK OF THE BOARD: THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED ON THIS ITEM.

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: ANY FURTHER COMMENTS? I THINK ALL THESE CHANGES MAKE COMMITTEE SENSE. I'LL JUST SAY THAT THOSE INVOLVED IN THE ADVOCACY AROUND ASSEMBLY BILL 1487 SEVERAL YEARS AGO IT WAS NOT AN EASY TASK. BUT I DO AGREE HAVING BROAD CONSENSUS AMONGST THE BAY AREA DELEGATION, I THINK IS GOING TO BE KEY. ARE WE -- DO WE THINK THAT THIS WILL BE VIEWED AS A NON-CONTROVERSIAL CLEAN-UP?

SPEAKER: THROUGHOUT CHAIR?

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JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: YES.

SPEAKER: WE ARE DOING EVERYTHING THAT WE CAN TO MAKE SURE THAT IT IS. MOST OF THE AGREEMENTS IN THE REGIONAL LEGISLATION CENTERED ON HOW MONEY WOULD BE DISTRIBUTED THE CITY, COUNTY SHARE, THOSE WILL REMAIN COMPLETELY INTACT AND WE STARTED MEETING WITH THE BAY AREA DELEGATION AND STAFF A COUPLE OF MONTHS AGO TO MAKE SURE THAT NO ONE IS VIEWING ANYTHING THAT WE'RE DOING AS GOING BACK ON AN AGREEMENT THAT WAS MADE. SO THAT IS KIND OF A KEY PRINCIPLE, AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO RUN THOSE TRAPS AND WOULD WELCOME ANY FEEDBACK FROM YOU AS ONE OF THE LEADERS INVOLVED IN CRAFTING THE ORIGINAL LEGISLATION IF YOU FEEL LIKE WE'RE GETTING CLOSE TO A LINE.

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: OKAY. THANK YOU. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? IF NOT, THANK YOU SO MUCH JULIE AND THANK YOU, TEAM FOR ALL YOUR WORK ON THIS. WE CAN PROCEED TO THE NEXT AGENDA ITEM WHICH I BELIEVE IS ALSO AN INFORMATION ITEM. WHICH IS OUR REPORT FROM OUR LEGISLATIVE ADVOCATES IN WASHINGTON, D.C., GEORGIA GANN DOHRMANN, ANY COMMENTS ON THIS ITEM?

GEORGIA GANN DOHRMANN: YES. GEORGIA GANN DOHRMANN, MTC ABAG STAFF. GIVEN THE LATE HOUR, I REALLY AM HOPING YOU GUYS -- I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO SCAN THROUGH THIS REPORT. THERE WAS A

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LOT OF ACTIVITY IN DC OVER THE LAST MONTH. I DO WANT TO CALL OUT TWO THINGS. FIRST IS SOME REALLY GOOD NEWS ON BAY AREA INFRASTRUCTURE THAT CAME OUT OF DC LAST MONTH, STARTING WITH YOUR MTC'S BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW GRANTS STRATEGY. I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT THAT THREE SUBSTANTIAL AWARDS CAME IN THROUGH THE -- SINCE THE COMMITTEE IN THE LAST MONTH. FIRST WAS $83 MILLION FOR THE FIRST TRANCHE OF YOUR PLANS MAJOR TRANSIT EXPANSION PRIORITIES, CALTRANS, CORE CAPACITY CALTRAIN ELECTRIFICATION IMPORTANT TO HIGHLIGHT IT WAS A HEAVIER LIFT THAN USUAL TO GET THIS MONEY COMING IN. SO IT'S A FLAG THAT THIS SUCCESS SAY TESTAMENT TO A VERY STRONG UNIFIED ADVOCACY COMING IN FROM THE BAY AREA AT THE GROUND LEVEL TRANSIT OPERATORS MTC, DC ADVOCATES PULLED TOGETHER AND NATIONAL COALITION, IT TRANSLATE TO ELECTED LEADERS, AND $400 MILLION IN FEDERAL BRIDGE FUNDS WERE AWARDED TO THE GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE, A HUGE LIFT. HAD A LOT OF REGIONAL CONSENSUS BEHIND IT, COMING FROM DC, ROUGHLY AT HALFWAY POINT THROUGH THE FIRST FIVE CYCLES, WE HAD SOME SUCCESSES, APPOINTMENTS WITH AREA PRIORITY PROJECTS BEING PASSED OVER FOR AWARDS. IT DOES APPEAR THAT YOUR STRATEGY IS BEARING SOME FRUIT. THE BAY AREA IS BRINGING IN ROUGHLY 60% OF MAJOR GRANT FUNDING COMING INTO CALIFORNIA THUS FAR. FOR NEXT YEAR KEY PIECES BUMPING UP OVERALL CALIFORNIA ON A NUMBER OF LARGE POPULATION CENTERS. WE WERE SUCCESSFUL IN SECURING BRAND-NEW $85 MILLION PROGRAM IN THE FEDERAL APPROPRIATIONS BILL FOR A NEW DEPARTMENT OF

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HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM FOR WHICH BAHFA CAN COMPETE, AND JUST A REMINDER THAT THIS ORIGINATED AFTER A MEETING THAT THE COMMISSION AND ABAG HAD IN WASHINGTON, D.C. LAST YEAR WITH THE APPROPRIATIONS STAFF TALKING ABOUT BAHFA AND, SORT OF, AFTER THAT FOLLOW UP THIS IDEA OF PUTTING IN A FEW GRANT PROGRAM FOR WHICH BAHFA CAN COMPETE CAME OUT SO JUST HUGE KUDOS ON THAT IT'S EXCITING THAT WE'RE OPENING UP THE DOOR FOR BAHFA TO BE PLAYING IN THE FEDERAL SPACE. SO WITH THAT I'LL CLOSE.

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS? IF NOT JUST -- I WANT TO EXPRESS OUR DEEPEST GRATITUDE FOR ALL OF THE WORK OF YOU AND YOUR LEGISLATIVE ADVOCATES HELPING DELIVER FOR THE BAY AREA. WE'LL NOW MOVE TO PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. ANY ATTENDEE THAT WISHES TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM? PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND OR PRESS STAR NINE. SEEING NO COMMENTS. ANY WRITTEN COMMENT.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: NO WRITTEN COMMENT SUBMITTED ON THIS ITEM.

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: BACK TO THE COMMITTEE FOR COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS? IF NOT THANK YOU GEORGIA. NEXT ORDER OF BUSINESS, ITEM SIX, PUBLIC COMMENT. INFORMATION ITEM. I'LL ASK THE CLERK TO READ THE NAMES OF ORGANIZATIONS OF ANY GENERAL WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED BY 5:00 P.M. YESTERDAY INTO THE RECORD

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AND ASK IF THERE ARE ATTENDEES THAT WISH TO OFFER PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND OR PRESS STAR NINE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED ON THIS ITEM.

JESSE ARREGUIN, CHAIR: OKAY. THAT BRINGS US TO ITEM SEVEN ADJOURNMENT. THE NEXT MEETING OF THE JOINT ABAG AND MTC LEGISLATION COMMITTEE IS FRIDAY FEBRUARY 10TH, 2023 AT NINE FIRST TIME A.M. ANY CHANGES TO THE SCHEDULE WILL BE DULY NOTICED TO THE PUBLIC. WITH THAT, THIS MEETING IS ADJOURNED. THANK YOU. [ADJOURNED]

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