

**METROPOLITAN
TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION**
Meeting Transcript



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JOINT MTC ABAG LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

FRIDAY, JUNE 9TH, 2023, 9:40 AM

CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA: I WOULD LIKE TO CALL TO ORDER THIS JOINT MTC ABAG LEGISLATION COMMITTEE. THIS MEETING IS BEING WEBCAST ON THE MTC WEBSITE AND CONSISTS AT SIMULTANEOUS TELECONFERENCE LOCATIONS AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO SPEAK SHOULD USE THE RAISED HAND FEATURE OR DIAL STAR NINE AND I WILL CALL UPON THEM AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME. TELECONFERENCE ATTENDEES WILL BE CALLED ON BY THE LAST FOUR DIGITS OF THEIR PHONE NUMBER. I WOULD LIKE TO START THIS MEETING BY NOTING THAT DAVE HUDSON IS NO LONGER A MEMBER OF THIS BODY. AND I WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME OUR TWO NEW ABAG REPRESENTATIVES FROM CONTRA COSTA COUNTY SUPERVISOR KEN CARLSON AND AARON TIEDEMANN, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ALBANY. WELCOME TO THE COMMITTEE. WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR INPUT. WITH THAT, LET'S GET BACK TO OUR REGULAR AGENDA. WILL THE CLERK CONDUCT ROLL CALL AND CONFIRM WHETHER A QUORUM IS PRESENT?

CLERK OF THE BOARD: CHAIR CANEPA?

CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA: HERE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: ARREGUIN IS ABSENT. MEMBER AHN?



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2 **EDDIE AHN:** HERE.

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4 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** CARLSON?

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6 **KEN CARLSON:** HERE.

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8 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** DUTRA-VERNACI?

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10 **SPEAKER:** HERE.

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12 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** EKLUND?

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14 **PAT EKLUND:** HERE.

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16 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** GIACOPINI, NON-VOTING?

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18 **DOREEN GIACOPINI:** HERE.

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20 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** MAHAN IS ABSENT. MOULTON-PETERS?

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22 **STEPHANIE MOULTON-PETERS:** HERE.

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24 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** NOACK? RABBITT?

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1 **DAVID RABBIT:** HERE.

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3 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** RAMOS?

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5 **BELIA RAMOS:** HERE.

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7 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** SPERING?

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9 **CHAIR MTC PC, JAMES P. SPERING:** HERE.

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11 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** TIEDEMANN?

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13 **SPEAKER:** PRESENT.

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15 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** WE HAVE QUORUM.

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17 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** GREAT. THE CONSENT CALENDER INCLUDES
18 AGENDA ITEMS 2A THROUGH 2C, ACTION ITEM. DO ANY MEMBERS WISH
19 TO PULL AN ITEM FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR? SEEING NONE. DO I
20 HAVE A MOTION AND SECOND TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR?

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22 **CHAIR MTC PC, JAMES P. SPERING:** MOTION.

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24 **BELIA RAMOS:** MOTION BY RAMOS -- SECOND.

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1 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** GREAT. MOTION BY SPERING. SECOND BY
2 RAMOS. CLERK, WERE THERE COMMENTS RECEIVED UNDER PUBLIC
3 COMMENT ASSOCIATED WITH THIS ITEM?

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5 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** THERE WAS NO WRITTEN CORRESPOND RECEIVED
6 ON IN ITEM NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN ZOOM WITH THEIR HAND
7 RAISED FOR THIS ITEM AND NO MEMBERS IN THE BOARDROOM WISHING
8 TO SPEAK.

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10 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** ANY MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO SPEAK
11 ON THIS ITEM USE THE RAISED HAND FEATURE OR DIAL 9. IN-PERSON
12 MEMBERS SHOULD FORM A LINE NEAR THE PODIUM AND THE CLERK WILL
13 CALL UPON YOU TO SPEAK. SEEMS LIKE THERE IS A LONG LINE.

14 [LAUGHTER] ROLL CALL VOTE

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16 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** CANEPA?

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18 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** YES.

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20 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** VICE CHAIR ARREGUIN IS ABSENT. AHN?

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22 **V. CHAIR MTC PC, EDDIE AHN:** AYE.

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24 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** CARLSON?

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1 **SPEAKER:** AYE .

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3 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** DUTRA-VERNACI?

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5 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI:** AYE .

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7 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** EKLUND?

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9 **PAT EKLUND:** AYE .

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11 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** MAHAN? IS ABSENT. MOULTON-PETERS?

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13 **STEPHANIE MOULTON-PETERS:** YES .

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15 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** NOACK?

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17 **SUE NOACK:** YES .

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19 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** RABBITT?

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21 **DAVID RABBIT:** AYE .

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23 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** RAMOS?

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25 **BELIA RAMOS:** YES .



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2 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** SPERING?

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4 **CHAIR MTC PC, JAMES P. SPERING:** YES.

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6 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** TIEDEMANN?

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8 **SPEAKER:** AYE.

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

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13 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** ITEM 3A FISCAL YEAR 2023, 2024 STATE
14 BUDGET UPDATE. THE UPDATE ON FY 2023, 2024 STATE BUDGET WITH A
15 FOCUS ON TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING, AND CLIMATE ADAPTATION
16 PROVISIONS. THIS IS AN INFORMATION ITEM, AND REBECCA LONG WILL
17 PRESENT THIS ITEM. REBECCA.

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19 **REBECCA LONG:** THANK YOU CHAIR CANEPA. GOOD MORNING
20 COMMISSIONERS AND DIRECTORS. REBECCA LONG, DIRECTOR OF
21 LEGISLATION AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS. THIS IS AN UPDATE FOR YOU
22 TODAY. I WISH I HAD A MORE SUBSTANTIVE UPDATE ON THE FISCAL
23 CLIFF, THIS IS ONE OF THE LAST STICKING POINTS OF THE BUDGET
24 NEGOTIATIONS THERE ARE ACTIVE CONVERSATIONS GOING ON BETWEEN
25 THE ASSEMBLY SENATE AND ADMINISTRATION. THE WE EXPECT TO SEE



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1 THE ACTUAL BUDGET BILL IN PRINT NEXT MONDAY TO THE EXTENT
2 WE'RE GOING TO SEE THERE FIGURES TO ADDRESS THE TRANSIT FISCAL
3 CLIFF. WE WILL KNOW THAT BY THE END OF THE DAY MONDAY. IF WE
4 DON'T SEE MUCH SPECIFICITY THEN WHAT WE DO EXPECT IS THAT
5 NEGOTIATIONS ARE GOING TO BE ONGOING THROUGH THE SUMMER. I'M
6 SURE YOU ARE ALL AWARE. YOU ALL REMEMBER YEARS WHERE THAT HAS
7 HAPPENED IN THE STATE BUDGET. SO WE'RE HOPEFUL WE'LL SEE
8 SOMETHING NEXT WEEK AND WE'LL CERTAINLY BE KEEPING EVERYONE
9 INFORMED. THERE HAS BEEN A TON OF PRESS COVERAGE, INCLUDING AN
10 OPED IN THE NEW YORK TIMES. A LOT OF DIRECT ACTION BUYS
11 TRANSIT ALLIES I AM SURE MANY OF YOU HAVE SEEN THE MOCK
12 TRANSIT FUNERALS LAST WEEK. CERTAINLY THE LEGISLATURE AND
13 ADMINISTRATION KNOW WHAT A PRIORITY THIS IS FOR OUR REGION.
14 AND WITH THAT I WILL CLOSE.

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16 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** GREAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ARE THERE ANY
17 QUESTIONS?

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19 **CHAIR MTC PC, JAMES P. SPERING:** REBECCA, WHAT IS THE
20 CONVERSATION LIKE AMONG THE LEGISLATORS FOR OR AGAINST? I
21 MEAN, WHAT ARE YOU HEARING?

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23 **REBECCA LONG:** COMMISSIONER, IT'S GOTTEN VERY QUIET. ONCE OVER
24 THE LAST WEEK MANY OF YOU JOINED US I THINK IT WAS MAY 22ND
25 WHEN WE WERE UP THERE AND AT THAT TIME WE WERE HEARING A LOT



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1 OF ANGST AND CONCERN ABOUT HOW TIGHT THE BUDGET DEFICIT WAS,
2 HOW DIFFICULT THIS WAS GOING TO BE. SO, YOU KNOW, I WOULD SAY
3 AT NO POINT IN THIS PROCESS HAVE WE HEARD ANYTHING ESPECIALLY
4 ENCOURAGING THAT MADE US THINK WE'RE GOING TO GET OUR ASK. I
5 DO FELL THAT THERE'S -- THEY ARE FEELING A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT
6 OF PRESSURE. AND SO I'M HOPEFUL THAT WE WON'T STRIKE OUT, BUT
7 WE'RE NOT GETTING A LOT OF DETAILED INTEL AT THIS POINT.
8 BECAUSE THE NEGOTIATIONS ARE REALLY HAPPENING WITH THE KEY
9 STAKEHOLDERS, MEANING THE BUDGET CHAIRS, THE SPEAKER, THE PRO
10 TEMPORE AND THE GOVERNOR.

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12 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** GREAT. MR. AHN? COMMISSIONER AHN?

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14 **EDDIE AHN:** SO AS I UNDERSTAND SENATOR WIENER HAS BEEN A
15 CONSISTENT CHAMPION EARLY ON IN THIS. ARE THERE OTHERS?

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17 **REBECCA LONG:** THERE ARE, SENATOR CORTESE, ASSEMBLY WICKS,
18 ASSEMBLY MEMBER CONNOLLY, ALL OF THOSE ATTENDED AND SENATOR
19 BECKER HAS ALSO BEEN A CHAMPION. WE HAVE HAD QUITE A LOT OF
20 THE BAY AREA DELEGATION FROM SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, SENATOR
21 ALAN, SENATOR DURAZO, BENNETT. SO, THE CHAIRS OF THE BUDGET
22 COMMITTEES HAVE ALSO BEEN QUITE VOCAL IN NOTING THAT THIS IS A
23 CRITICAL ISSUE, THAT WE HAVE TO ADDRESS THIS, AND MY COLLEAGUE
24 GEORGIA JUST REMINDED ME, ALSO SENATOR DODD HAS BEEN A
25 CHAMPION OF THIS. [LAUGHTER]



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2 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** ARE THERE ANY ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS? I
3 WANT TO EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE TO ANDY, REBECCA, AND GEORGIA.
4 THROUGH THIS WHOLE PROCESS WE REALLY KEPT THIS BOARD INFORMED
5 BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY THE HOURS THAT YOU HAVE REALLY PUT INTO
6 THIS, I KNOW IT'S BEEN A 24/7 ENDEAVOR. BUT I JUST WANT THE
7 REST OF THE BOARD TO KNOW, ESPECIALLY ON THE LEGISLATIVE
8 COMMITTEE, THAT THEY HAVE DONE AN EXTRAORDINARY JOB, AND I
9 THINK I SPEAK FOR THOSE MEMBERS WHO WENT UP TO SACRAMENTO, IT
10 WASN'T -- DIDN'T START IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION -- BUT I THINK
11 THAT'S WHY WE HAVE AN INCREDIBLE STAFF THE WAY YOU PUSHED THIS
12 THROUGH IS NOTED. WITH THAT --

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14 **NICK JOSEFOWITZ:** ONE MORE THING. I WANTED TO ECHO THAT. AND I
15 THINK WHATEVER MONEY WE DO GET WILL BE DONE DOWN, YOU KNOW, IN
16 SIGNIFICANT PART TO A LOT OF THE HARD WORK THAT YOU HAVE DONE.
17 I THINK IN THE SCENARIO WHERE WE DON'T GET THE MONEY THAT WE
18 HAVE ASKED FOR FROM THE STATE, WHICH MAY BE THE MOST LIKELY
19 SCENARIO, AND THE STATE, SORT OF, BASICALLY SENDS A MESSAGE TO
20 THIS REGION THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO CUT TRANSIT SERVICE, I
21 THINK WE SHOULD JUST BE REALLY CLEAR WITH THE STATE, AND WITH
22 THE REST OF OUR COMMUNITY IN THIS REGION, WHAT THESE STATE'S
23 ACTIONS MEAN AND IF THE STATE DOESN'T GIVE US ENOUGH MONEY WE
24 SHOULD BE CLEAR, AS A RESULT IF HE DIDN'T GIVE US MORE MONEY
25 NEXT YEAR IF WE CAN'T RAISE MONEY LOCALLY WE'RE GOING TO HAVE



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1 TO CUT TRANSIT SERVICE. AND I THINK WE NEED TO BE UN-85 CAL
2 ABOUT THAT. BECAUSE THIS IS NOT A ONE YEAR -- THIS IS NOT LIKE
3 WE SOLVED IT THIS YEAR. THIS IS LIKE A MULTI-YEAR THING AND IF
4 WE'RE NOT CLEAR WITH THAT PEOPLE HAVE THE IMPRESSION OR WE GOT
5 A LITTLE BIT OF MONEY WE'RE FINE AND WE'RE GOING TO GO, YOU
6 KNOW, IT'S ALL GOING TO BE OKAY.

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8 **ALFREDO PEDROZA:** TO ADD TO THAT, VICE CHAIR IS RIGHT, WE NEED
9 TO MAKE SURE OUR PARTNERS ARE OPERATORS AND WE HAVE THE SAME
10 MESSAGE SO IT'S NOT A DIFFERENT MESSAGE. IT'S INCUMBENT UPON
11 US TO MAKE SURE WE'RE TALKING TO OUR OPERATORS SO ONCE WE KNOW
12 THE NUMBER, AND WE HAVE ALL BEEN TALKING TO OUR STATE
13 LEGISLATORS WE HAVE TALKED TO THEM IN THE LAST FEW WEEKS THAN
14 WE HAVE IN THE PAST YEAR, TO MAKE SURE THEY UNDERSTAND UP
15 FRONT WHAT THOSE CONSEQUENCES ARE SO IT'S CLEAR WE CAN REACH
16 OUT TO THE OPERATORS THAT WOULD BE GREAT. THANK YOU.

17

18 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** GREAT. DO WE HAVE ANY PUBLIC COMMENT?

19

20 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** THERE IS NO WRITTEN CORRESPOND RECEIVED ON
21 THIS ITEM. THERE ARE A FEW MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR
22 HAND RAISED. HOW MUCH TIME WOULD YOU LIKE TO GIVE.

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24 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** ONE MINUTE.

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1 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** FIRST UP IS GOING TO BE WENDI KALLINS. GO
2 AHEAD AND UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE.

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4 **WENDI KALLINS:** WENDI KALLINS, I SERVE ON THE CITIZEN'S
5 ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AND I AM VICE CHAIR OF TRANSIT
6 TRANSPORTATION ACTION COMMITTEE. AND I MET WITH A POLICY
7 DIRECTOR, SENATOR ATKINS YESTERDAY, AND IT DOES SEEM LIKE THAT
8 WE HAVE A LOT OF SUPPORT ON THE SIDE OF THE SENATE, THE
9 LEGISLATORS, I THINK THE GOVERNOR IS THE PROBLEM. AND IF YOU
10 READ TODAY'S ARTICLE IN THE CHRONICLE ABOUT THE DEAL THAT WAS
11 MADE LAST YEAR IN ORDER TO FUND THE HIGH SPEED RAIL, THAT'S
12 WHERE THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT MONEY CAME FROM. I THINK THAT WE
13 NEED TO REALLY CONTINUE PUTTING PRESSURE ON THE GOVERNOR, AND
14 I REALLY URGE MEMBERS OF THIS COMMITTEE AND ALL OF OUR LOOKED
15 OFFICIALS NEED TO CONTINUE TO LOBBY THE GOVERNOR AND LET HIM
16 KNOW THAT AN ANSWER NO IS NOT ACCEPTABLE.

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18 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** OKAY. THANK YOU WENDI. NEXT UP, ADINA YOU
19 HAD YOUR HAND RAISED. ADINA, DID YOU STILL WANT TO SPEAK ON
20 THIS ITEM?

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22 **ADINA LEVIN:** YES.

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24 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** GO AHEAD.

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1 **ADINA LEVIN:** ADINA LEVIN, MEMBER OF THE POLICY ADVISORY
2 COUNCIL, SPEAK FOR MYSELF AND ALSO WORKING WITH ADVOCACY
3 GROUPS TO SUPPORT THE FUNDING IN THE STATE BUDGET TO PREVENT
4 TRANSIT CUTS. AND WANTED TO SUPPORT WHAT COMMISSIONER
5 JOSEFOWITZ SAID THAT EVEN WITH THE NUMBERS THAT ARE OUT ON
6 MONDAY, IT'S NOT THE END OF THE ROAD. WE'RE ALSO HEARING THAT
7 THERE COULD BE TRAILER BILLS THAT HAVE ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES
8 AND SO THAT'S MORE OPPORTUNITY TO EMPHASIZE WHAT THE FUNDING
9 NEED IS. SO IF THERE IS NOT ENOUGH MONEY TO KEEP TRANSIT
10 RUNNING WE NEED TO KEEP THAT MESSAGE ACKNOWLEDGE. ON THE DAVE
11 ROBERT'S PODCAST THAT MESSAGE WAS WHAT ON EARTH IS WRONG WITH
12 CALIFORNIA. I THINK THEY SOMETHING THAT RESONATES NATIONALLY
13 AND SHOULD BE ECHOING AS A NATIONAL STORY. THANK YOU.

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15 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** THANK YOU. THERE ARE NO OTHER HAND RAISED
16 FOR THIS ITEM.

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18 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** GREAT. THAT ITEM WAS AN INFORMATIONAL
19 ITEM. SO, WITH THAT, LET'S MOVE TO ITEM 3B, ASSEMBLY BILL 761
20 FRIEDMAN, TRANSIT TRANSFORMATION TASK FORCE, IT ESTABLISHES
21 STATEWIDE TASK FORCE TO IDENTIFY TRANSIT FUNDING NEEDS TO
22 SUPPORT RIDERSHIP GROWTH RECOMMEND POLICIES AIMED AT
23 INCREASING TRANSIT RIDERSHIP, CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE, AND
24 RECOMMEND NEW RIDER FOCUSED STATE PERFORMANCE METRICS. THIS IS



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1 AN ACTION ITEM. AND WE HAVE GEORGIA GANN DOHRMANN WHO WILL
2 PRESENT ON THIS ITEM.

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4 **GEORGIA GANN DOHRMANN:** GOOD MORNING CHAIR CANEPA AND MEMBERS
5 OF THE COMMITTEE GEORGIA GANN DOHRMANN MTC AND ABAG STAFF. SO
6 THE NEXT TWO ITEMS IN YOUR GENDER ARE TIED TO THE FISCAL CLIFF
7 CONVERSATION POLICY ELEMENTS OF THE BROADER DEAL. SO MTC AND
8 ABAG HAVE BEEN ADVOCATING AS YOU KNOW, VERY INVOLVED FOR A FOR
9 A MULTI- YEAR TRANSIT RECOVERY PACKAGE PROVIDING FUNDING WHILE
10 AGENCIES RETOOL AND PULL TOGETHER STRATEGIES TOO GET TO A
11 LONG-TERM FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY. SO THE LAST ELEMENT WHAT'S
12 THE LONG-TERM PLAN FOR FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY IS A KEY PIECE
13 OF THE PUZZLE AND IN A LOT OF CONVERSATIONS WITH THE
14 GOVERNOR'S OFFICE AND OUR LEGISLATORS IT'S BEEN CLEAR THAT
15 HAVING SUCH A PLAN IS A PREREQUISITE TO SECURE STATE
16 RESOURCES. SO, MTC IN PARTNERSHIP WITH A LOT OF OUR
17 TRANSPORTATION STAKEHOLDERS AND TRANSIT OPERATORS, HAVE BEEN
18 DOING A LOT OF WORK TO PUT TOGETHER THE, SORT OF, WHAT'S THE
19 ROADMAP TO SUSTAINABILITY FOR THE BAY AREA, AND A.B. 761
20 BRINGS THAT UP TO A STATE LEVEL. IS WOULD CREATE A TASK FORCE
21 THAT NEEDS TO IDENTIFY STATE REVENUE OPTIONS TO SUPPORT A
22 RETOOLED RIDERSHIP FOCUSED TRANSIT NETWORK. IT WOULD REQUIRE
23 THAT TASK FORCE TO RECOMMEND NEW RIDER FOCUSED STATE
24 PERFORMANCE METRICS FOR TRANSIT. AND IT WOULD ALSO RECOMMEND
25 POLICIES AIMED AT INCREASING TRANSIT RIDERSHIP AND THE



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1 CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE. SO, IF A LOT OF THOSE THINGS ARE SOUNDING
2 FAMILIAR, THAT'S BECAUSE A LOT OF THIS HAS REALLY BEEN DRIVEN
3 BY SOME OF THE WORK IN THE BAY AREA AROUND THE BLUE RIBBON
4 TRANSIT RECOVERY TASK FORCE THAT COMMISSIONER SPERING CHAIRED.
5 SO, I THINK IT'S GOOD TO NOTE THAT THE BAY AREA IS REALLY
6 POISED TO BE A PARTNER IN THE CONVERSATIONS AROUND WHAT THE
7 STATEWIDE APPROACH WOULD LOOK LIKE, AND, AGAIN ACCIDENT WE'RE
8 RECOMMENDING MTC SUPPORT ON THIS BILL IN THAT IT'S GOOD
9 POLICY. IT'S GOOD STRATEGY, AND IT'S ALSO A KEY COMPONENT OF
10 THE BUDGET NEGOTIATIONS.

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12 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

13

14 **NICK JOSEFOWITZ:** IS THIS BILL A KEY ASPECT OF THE BLUE RIBBON
15 TRANSIT PRIORITY? MY UNDERSTANDING THIS BILL DOESN'T REALLY
16 FOCUS ON TRANSIT PRIORITY AS, SORT OF, AN ISSUE THAT HAS TO BE
17 ADDRESSED IN THE TASK FORCE.

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19 **GEORGIA GANN DOHRMANN:** THROUGH THE CHAIR

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21 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** YES.

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23 **GEORGIA GANN DOHRMANN:** THIS BILL REQUIRES THAT A TASK FORCE
24 IDENTIFIES A SUITE OF RECOMMENDATIONS TO IMPROVE CUSTOMER
25 EXPERIENCE AND IMPROVE TRANSIT MOBILITY TRANSIT RIDERSHIP AND



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1 WITHIN THE LIST THERE ARE THINGS THAT THE TASK FORCE NEEDS TO
2 LOOK AT INCLUDING THINGS LIKE MAPPING AND WAYFINDING AND
3 TRANSIT PRIORITY. THERE IS A LONG LIST OF PRIORITY.

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5 **NICK JOSEFOWITZ:** GREAT.

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7 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** GREAT. ARE THERE ANY OTHER COMMENTS.

8 SEEING NONE. CAN WE TAKE PUBLIC COMMENT?

9

10 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** THERE IS NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE
11 RECEIVED ON THIS ITEM. NO ONE IN THE BOARDROOM WISHING TO
12 SPEAK ON THIS ITEM AND THERE IS ONE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WITH
13 THEIR HAND RAISED. ADINA GO AHEAD AND UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU
14 HAVE ONE MINUTE.

15

16 **ADINA LEVIN:** GOOD MORNING. ADINA LEVIN WITH SEAMLESS BAY AREA,
17 AND THE APPROACH IN THIS BILL DOES SPEAK WELL TO WHAT THE BAY
18 AREA HAS BEEN DOING TO SEEK TO RECOVER PUBLIC TRANSIT AND
19 TAKING THAT APPROACH STATEWIDE WOULD DEFINITELY ENCOURAGE THIS
20 BODY TO SUPPORT THAT BILL. AND IT WOULD BE LOGICAL FOR
21 PROPOSITIONS OF THE BILL TO NOT ONLY PASS IN THE LEGISLATIVE
22 CYCLE BUT POTENTIALLY BE INCLUDED IN THE BUDGET TRAILER BILLS
23 AS RELATED TO FUNDING. ALL THE MORE REASON TO BE SUPPORTING
24 THIS APPROACH, AND ONE MORE IMPORTANT PIECE IN TERMS OF WHAT
25 THIS WOULD COVER RESEARCH SHOWS TERMS OF WHAT WOULD COVER



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1 RESEARCH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA PRODUCTIVE SO THIS BILL WOULD
2 HELP TAKE THAT ON AS WELL AND.

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4 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** SPERING?

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6 **CHAIR MTC PC, JAMES P. SPERING:** WHO HAS THE AUTHORITY OR
7 RESPONSIBILITY TO CONVERT TO THE SHOULDERS OR BUS PRIORITY.

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9 **ANDREW FREMIER:** CALTRANS HAS THE AUTHORITY BUT RELY HEAVILY ON
10 THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL, THE HIGHWAY PATROL HAS BEEN
11 CONCERNED ABOUT THOSE OPPORTUNITIES THEY HAVE BEEN WILLING TO
12 TAKE A LOOK AT CERTAIN LOCATIONS THEY DO STRUGGLE WITH THE
13 URBAN CORE BUT MAKE PROGRESS ON THE 680, PROBABLY ONE OF THE
14 MOST DIFFICULT PLACES BUT DEFINITELY A RELATIONSHIP WITH THE
15 TWO DEPARTMENTS UNDER TOKENS BOTH WORKING.

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17 **CHAIR MTC PC, JAMES P. SPERING:** DEALING WITH THOSE
18 UNWILLINGNESS TO DO IT I'M CONCERNED WITH THE TASK FORCE IT'S
19 A HIGH PRIORITY, SHOULD BE CONCERNED I'M CONCERNED IT'S KIND
20 OF GETTING LOST.

21

22 **ANDREW FREMIER:** IT IS TO SOME DEGREE BUT I WOULD SUPPORT THE
23 FACT THAT YOU WOULD LIKE THE LEGISLATION AT SOME POINT -- THEY
24 WOULD PROBABLY RESIST THE LEGISLATION OR THERE WOULD BE
25 CHALLENGES EVEN JUST MIGHT GET THROWN OUT. THEY HAVE IN RECENT



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1 TIME BEEN WILLING TO LOOK AT IT. WE HAVE SOME LEVEL OF
2 IMPROVEMENT IN DUMBARTON 680, WE'RE GETTING SOME IMPROVEMENTS.
3 BUT YOU KNOW, I DO THINK A LOT OF THESE CHALLENGES ARE
4 IMPORTANT TO SOLVE ACROSS THE STATE. SO HAVING THE COALITION
5 OF THE STATE BODIES WORKING ON SOMETHING AND HAVING CALTRANS
6 SOMETHING UNIFORM TO ADMINISTER IS A GOOD THING.

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8 **JOHN GIOIA:** HAVE WE IDENTIFIED WHAT THEIR OBJECTIONS ARE, OR
9 CONCERNS? DO WE KNOW WHAT THEY ARE? YOU DON'T KNOW HAVE TO
10 TELL ME WHAT THEY ARE I JUST WANT TO KNOW IF WE'RE ON THE
11 RIGHT PATH

12

13 **ANDREW FREMIER:** SAFETY IS THE ULTIMATE STOPPER IN A LOT OF
14 CONVERSATIONS IF YOU THROW SAFETY UP ON THE SCREEN EVERYBODY
15 WALKS AWAY FROM TRYING TO WORK ON THAT. WE THINK WE HAVE
16 OFFERED SOME PRETTY GOOD ALTERNATIVES TO SAFETY THAT ARE
17 LEGITIMATELY ADDRESSING THE QUESTIONS, AND OTHERS DOWN SOUTH
18 PARTICULARLY IN SAN DIEGO ARE DOING THE SAME THING.

19

20 **JOHN GIOIA:** I DON'T WANT OUR STAFF TO GET COMPLACENT BECAUSE
21 IT'S ON THIS COMMITTEE OR TASK FORCE THAT WE'RE GOING TO WAIT
22 FOR THEM, WE NEED TO BE PURSUING IT ALSO.

23

24 **ANDREW FREMIER:** I HAVE NEVER KNOWN YOUR STAFF TO GET
25 COMPLACENT. [LAUGHTER]



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2 **JOHN GIOIA:** IT WAS THE TASK FORCE I WAS REFERRING TO, NOT OUR
3 STAFF.

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5 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** ALL RIGHT. DO I HAVE A MOTION AND SECOND
6 TO REFER A SUPPORT POSITION ON ASSEMBLY BILL 761 FRIEDMAN TO
7 THE MTC COMMISSION.

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9 **STEPHANIE MOULTON-PETERS:** MOVE PETERS.

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11 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI:** SECOND, DUTRA-VERNACI.

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13 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** ROLL CALL VOTE PLEASE.

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15 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** CHAIR CANEPA?

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17 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** YES.

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19 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** VICE CHAIR ARREGUIN IS ABSENT. AHN?

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21 **V. CHAIR MTC PC, EDDIE AHN:** AYE.

22

23 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** CARLSON?

24

25 **SPEAKER:** AYE.



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2 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** DUTRA-VERNACI?

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4 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI:** AYE.

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6 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** EKLUND?

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8 **PAT EKLUND:** AYE.

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10 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** MEMBER MAHAN? IS ABSENT. MEMBER MOULTON
11 PETERS?

12

13 **STEPHANIE MOULTON-PETERS:** YES.

14

15 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** NOACK?

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17 **SUE NOACK:** YES.

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19 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** RABBITT?

20

21 **DAVID RABBIT:** AYE.

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23 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** RAMOS?

24

25 **BELIA RAMOS:** YES.



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2 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** SPERING?

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4 **CHAIR MTC PC, JAMES P. SPERING:** AYE.

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6 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** TIEDEMANN?

7

8 **SPEAKER:** AYE.

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

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13 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** GREAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THAT BRINGS
14 US TO ITEM 3C ASSEMBLY BILL 1367 FRIEDMAN HOMELESSNESS
15 ASSISTANCE ON TRANSIT, EXPANDS REPORTING REQUIREMENT FOR
16 RECIPIENTS EVER STATE HOMELESS HOUSING ASSISTANCE PREVENTION
17 PROGRAM INCLUDES SUMMARY OF EFFORTS TO IMPROVE SERVICE DELIVER
18 TO UNSHELTERED INDIVIDUALS ON TRANSIT SYSTEMS WITHIN THE
19 RECIPIENTS JURISDICTION. THIS IS AN ACTION ITEM. GEORGIA GANN
20 DOHRMANN WILL PRESENT THIS ITEM.

21

22 **GEORGIA GANN DOHRMANN:** GOOD MORNING. STILL GEORGIA GANN
23 DOHRMANN MTC AND ABAG STAFF. BILL 1377 IS ANOTHER BILL BY
24 ASSEMBLYMEMBER FRIEDMAN ANOTHER BILL THAT'S TIED TO A LOT OF
25 THE CONVERSATIONS AROUND THE TRANSIT FISCAL CLIFF ONE OF THE



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1 BIG THINGS THEY COME UP IN SACRAMENTO AND LOCALLY IT'S REALLY
2 IMPORTANT THAT WE CAN FOCUS IMPROVING THE EXPERIENCE OF RIDING
3 TRANSIT IN ADDITION TO PROVIDING DIRECT RESOURCES TO KEEP
4 BUSES AND TRAINS OPERATING. WITHIN THAT LOOKING AT ADDRESSING
5 QUALITY OF LIFE ISSUES ON THE SYSTEM AND ONE OF THE VISIBLE
6 AND COMPLICATED QUALITY OF LIFE ISSUES TO ADDRESS ON THE
7 SYSTEMS IS THE CHALLENGE THAT OUR REALITY IN CALIFORNIA'S
8 HOMELESSNESS CRISIS HAS CONTINUED ON AND REALLY GOTTEN WORSE,
9 THAT OUR BUSES, OUR TRAIN CARS AND TRANSIT STATIONS ARE
10 INCREASINGLY PLACES WHERE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE EXPERIENCING
11 HOMELESS, YOU KNOW, ARE TAKING REFUGE. SO, ONE OF THE, SORT
12 OF, IMPORTANT PIECES OF CONTEXT HERE IS THAT TRANSIT AGENCIES
13 IN CALIFORNIA ARE NOT DIRECT RECIPIENTS OF HOMELESSNESS
14 SERVICE FUNDING. THOSE ARE CITIES, COUNTIES, CONTINUUMS OF
15 CARE, AND CITIES IN SOME CASES. SO, OPERATORS TYPICALLY SEEK
16 TO COORDINATE WITH THOSE LOCAL PROVIDERS OF SOCIAL SERVICES TO
17 SERVE THE PEOPLE THAT ARE SEEKING REFUGE ON THEIR SYSTEMS.
18 HOWEVER, IT'S NOT ALWAYS THE CASE THAT STATE RESOURCE LOCAL
19 OUTREACH TEAMS SERVE THOSE TRANSIT PUBLIC SPACES. AND I WOULD
20 SAY, ESPECIALLY IN THE LA METRO AREA, AND IN THE BAY AREA, A
21 LOT OF THE PLACES THAT REALLY ARE NOT AS EASILY SERVED ARE
22 THOSE PLACES THAT ARE UNDERGROUND, THAT ARE NOT AS VISIBLE.
23 SO, A.B. 1377 WOULD EXPAND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR LOCAL
24 AGENCIES RECEIVING SOME OF THE NEW STATE HOMELESSNESS
25 RESOURCES FROM THE HOMELESS HOUSING -- STATE HOMELESS HOUSING



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1 ASSISTANCE AND PREVENTION FUNDS TO INCLUDE A SUMMARY OF WHAT
2 THEY'RE DOING TO REALLY TRY TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO UNSHELTERED
3 INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE ON TRANSIT SYSTEMS IN THEIR JURISDICTION.
4 SO, YOU KNOW, THIS IS A RELATIVELY MODEST BILL. IT'S NOT
5 REQUIRING ANY NEW SERVICES BE PROVIDED. IT'S REALLY ABOUT
6 REPORTING. WE BELIEVE THAT ONE OF THE THINGS THAT'S REALLY
7 IMPORTANT ABOUT THE FIRST STEPS OF REPORTING IS INCREASING
8 VISIBILITY, AND BEING ABLE TO -- AND IT'S A STEP FORWARD IN
9 IMPROVING COMMUNICATION AND COORDINATION COLLABORATION BETWEEN
10 TRANSIT OPERATORS AND LOCAL JURISDICTIONS THAT ARE PROVIDING
11 SERVICES. I WOULD ALSO WANT TO NOTE THAT WE ARE NOT LOOKING AT
12 THIS BILL IN A SILO. YOUR STAFF AND THE COMMISSION AND ABAG
13 HAVE REALLY BEEN STRONG SUPPORTERS OF THE STATE FUNDING FOR
14 HOMELESSNESS ASSISTANCE. SOMETHING THAT HAS BEEN INCREASINGLY
15 INCLUDED IN STATE BUDGET, AND IT'S SOMETHING THAT WE'RE FAIRLY
16 CONFIDENT IS GOING TO BE, AGAIN, RECEIVE, LIKE, A BIG FUNDING
17 BOOST IN THE BUDGET THIS YEAR. SO THAT'S GOOD NEWS. AND WE'RE
18 ALSO CONSIDERING THIS IN THE CONTEXT OF THE BILL THAT'S GOING
19 GET PRESENTED NEXT WHICH IS AROUND TRYING TO INCREASE
20 RESOURCES THAT GO TOWARDS BUILDING MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND
21 AROUND PREVENTION AND PROTECTION, AS WELL. SO WE'RE REALLY
22 LOOKING AT SOLVING THE PROBLEM FROM A MULTI-TIERED APPROACH.
23 SO WITH THAT, WE WOULD RECOMMEND THE COMMISSION AND ABAG ADOPT
24 A SUPPORT POSITION.
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1 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** GREAT. ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS? NOACK?

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3 **SUE NOACK:** I'M CONFUSED WHAT THEY'RE TRYING TO GET OUT OF
4 THIS, IS IT IMPROVED SERVICE, TRANSIT SERVICE FOR THE
5 UNHOUSED? OR IS IT OTHER SERVICES THEY WANT THE TRANSIT
6 AGENCIES TO PROVIDE THE HOMELESS? WHICH, I THINK WOULD BE
7 BETTER SERVED BY OTHER ORGANIZATIONS ON THE TRANSIT AGENCY.
8 SO, I'M TRYING TO UNDERSTAND, SORT OF, THE BOTTOM LINE WHAT
9 THEY'RE TRYING TO FOCUS ON HERE.

10

11 **GEORGIA GANN DOHRMANN:** THEY'RE TRYING TO ENCOURAGE HOMELESS
12 SERVICE PROVIDERS TO BETTER SERVE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE UNHOUSED
13 AND ARE SHELTERING ON TRANSIT TRAINS BUSES AND IN TRANSIT
14 STATIONS.

15

16 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** ANY ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS? DO I HAVE A
17 MOTION TO SEVER A SUPPORT POSITION ON ASSEMBLY BILL 1377
18 FRIEDMAN AND THE ABAG EXECUTIVE BOARD AND MTC COMMISSION
19 RESPECTIVELY?

20

21 **SPEAKER:** I'LL MOVE SUPPORT.

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23 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** GREAT, MR. AHN. IS THERE A SECOND?

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25 **STEPHANIE MOULTON-PETERS:** NOW THE ON PETERS.



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2 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** DO WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT?

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4 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH
5 THEIR HAND RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED
6 ON THIS ITEM. AND ONE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HANDS
7 RAISED. ADINA GO AHEAD AND UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU HAVE ONE
8 MINUTE.

9

10 **ADINA LEVIN:** ADINA LEVIN, WITH SEAMLESS BAY AREA. THIS IS A
11 GOOD BILL THAT IS LIMITED IN WHAT IT DOES, BUT IS PART OF AN
12 OVERALL GOOD AND IMPORTANT DIRECTION. THE OTHER QUESTION AND
13 SUGGESTION THAT I WOULD HAVE IS, IS THIS AN AREA WHERE MTC IS
14 ALREADY EXERTING ITS SOFT POWER? ITS CONVENING POWER? TO GET
15 TOGETHER PEOPLE IN COUNTIES AND CITIES AND TRANSIT AGENCIES IN
16 THE SAME ROOM IN ORDER TO MAKE SURE THAT THE RESOURCES THAT
17 ARE AVAILABLE ARE HELPING THE PEOPLE WHO NEED IT IN PAYING
18 PERIPHERAL ATTENTION TO THIS ISSUE, I'M STILL SEEING SOME
19 FINGER POINTING WHERE, YOU KNOW, ONE AGENCY SAYS, WELL, I
20 DON'T HAVE THE RESOURCES, AND ANOTHER AGENCY SAYS, WELL, I
21 DON'T KNOW WHERE THE PROBLEM IS. IT'S NOT UP TO US. SO
22 CONVENING AND GETTING PEOPLE TO BE IN A ROOM TO TALK TO EACH
23 OTHER MIGHT HELP SOONER THAN A BILL. THANK YOU.

24



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1 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** THANK YOU, ADINA. AND THERE ARE NO OTHER
2 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED FOR THIS ITEM.

3

4 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** THANK YOU SO MUCH ADINA FOR THAT
5 QUESTION. AND MAYBE STAFF, OFFLINE, CAN GET BACK TO MISS
6 LEVIN. SO CAN I HAVE A ROLL CALL VOTE PLEASE.

7

8 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** CANEPA?

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10 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** YES.

11

12 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** ARREGUIN IS ABSENT. AHN?

13

14 **V. CHAIR MTC PC, EDDIE AHN:** AYE CARLSON?

15

16 **SPEAKER:** AYE.

17

18 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** DUTRA-VERNACI?

19

20 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI:** AYE EKLUND?

21

22 **PAT EKLUND:** AYE MAHAN IS ABSENT. MOULTON PETERS?

23

24 **STEPHANIE MOULTON-PETERS:** YES.

25



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1 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** NOACK?

2

3 **SUE NOACK:** YES.

4

5 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** RABBITT?

6

7 **DAVID RABBIT:** AYE.

8

9 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** RAMOS?

10

11 **BELIA RAMOS:** YES.

12

13 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** SPERING? OH NOT HERE RIGHT NOW. OKAY. AND
14 MEMBER TIEDEMANN?

15

16 **SPEAKER:** AYE.

17

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

20

21 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** GREAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THAT BRINGS
22 US TO 3D, ASSEMBLY BILL 167 WICKS STATEWIDE HOUSING BOND,
23 PLACES A TEN BILLED GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND ON THE MARCH 2024
24 STATEWIDE BALLOT FOR A VARIETY OF HOUSING PRODUCTION AND



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1 PRESERVATION PROGRAMS. THIS IS AN ACTION ITEM. AND JULIE
2 SNYDER WILL PRESENT ON THIS ITEM. JULIE?

3

4 **JULIE SNYDER:** JULIE SNYDER MTC ABAG STAFF. AB 1567 AUTHORED BY
5 WICKS FROM OAKLAND AND STAFF IS RECOMMENDING A SUPPORT
6 POSITION. THE MEASURE WOULD PLACE A \$10 BILLION STATEWIDE
7 GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND ON THE MARCH 2024 BALLOT. GO BONDS
8 TYPICALLY SERVE AS THE STATE'S SPENDING SOURCE FOR HOUSING
9 PRODUCTION. APPROXIMATELY SEVEN AND A HALF BILLION OF THE TEN
10 WOULD BE DEDICATED TO CONSTRUCTION OF APARTMENT AND SINGLE-
11 FAMILY HOMES WITH REMAINING TWO AND A HALF BILLION SET ASIDE
12 FOR PRESERVATION PROGRAMS LIKE BAHFA'S AND DOWN PAYMENT
13 ASSISTANCE. THIS LEVEL OF FUNDING WOULD AID OUR PROGRESS IN
14 MEETING THE REGION'S EXISTING HOUSING NEED AS WELL AS THAT
15 GENERATED BY POPULATION GROWTH. I WILL NOTE THAT THE BOND'S
16 PLACEMENT ON THE MARCH BALLOT RATHER THAN THE NOVEMBER
17 REFLECTS OUR WORK WITH ASSEMBLYMEMBER WICKS TO ENSURE THAT
18 THIS BOND COMPLEMENTS THE REGIONAL HOUSING MEASURE THAT YOU
19 HAVE DIRECTED US TO WORK TOWARDS FOR THE NOVEMBER BALLOT. SO,
20 I WILL STOP THERE BUT HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.

21

22 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** THANK YOU JULIE. ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS?
23 THANK YOU.

24



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1 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI:** YEAH. AS A MATTER OF FACT, I WAS FIRST
2 THINKING THIS WAS OURS. BUT THANK YOU FOR CLARIFYING THAT THIS
3 IS IN ADDITION TO OURS. SO, THIS IS MARCH AND THEN WE'RE JUST,
4 TO REITERATE, WORKING FOR NOVEMBER, ANOTHER 10 BILLION, IS
5 THAT WHERE WE'RE SETTling FOR NOVEMBER? OR IS THERE A NUMBER
6 THAT'S BEEN CITED?

7

8 **SPEAKER:** THROUGH THE CHAIR?

9

10 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** YES.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** COMMISSIONER, YOU HAVE DIRECTED US TO LOOK AT
13 ANYWHERE FROM A 10 TO \$20 MILLION BOND FOR THE REGIONAL
14 MEASURE. YOU ALL WILL MAKE THAT DECISION EARLY NEXT YEAR. IS
15 MY UNDERSTANDING.

16

17 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

18

19 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** GREAT. COMMISSIONER NOACK?

20

21 **SUE NOACK:** JUST A -- I LIKE TO -- I THINK THE CONCEPT IS
22 GREAT, IT WORKED FOR OURS AND THIS GO BOND FOR GETTING HOUSING
23 DONE. I'M A LITTLE CONCERNED, EVERYBODY HAS BEEN GOING THROUGH
24 THEIR HOUSING ELEMENT AROUND HERE, AND HCD IS NOT HELPING, I
25 THINK, IS THE PUBLIC'S PERCEPTION, THESE KIND OF BONDS, WE HAD



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1 TO DO, PLEASANT HILL, WE HAD TO PUT LOW-INCOME HOUSING IN
2 HIGH-RESOURCE AREAS, AND WE HAD ABOUT 600 PEOPLE SHOW UP. I
3 THINK WE HAD TO OPEN ROOMS ALL IN OPPOSITION, AND I CAN -- YOU
4 KNOW, THE DISCUSSION WAS, WELL WE'RE IDENTIFYING THESE SITES
5 IT'S NOT LIKELY TO BE BUILT ON AND I CAN SEE ALL THOSE PEOPLE
6 SAYING I'M NOT GOING TO VOTE FOR BONDS THAT HELP PEOPLE BUILD
7 IN MY AREA. SO MY CONCERN WITH WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH OUR RHNA
8 PROCESS, IT'S GOING TO HURT SOME OF OUR EFFORTS HERE. SO THE
9 COMMUNICATION ON HOW THIS BOND -- THESE BONDS ARE GOING TO BE
10 ALLOCATED, WHERE THEY'RE GOING TO BE USED IS GOING TO BE SUPER
11 IMPORTANT IN ORDER TO OVERCOME SOME OF THE GROUND SWELL FROM
12 MEAN OF OUR COMMUNITIES ADDRESSING THESE HOUSING ELEMENTS THAT
13 WE HAVE BEEN DOING. SO, THANK YOU.

14

15 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** MAYOR TIEDEMANN.

16

17 **SPEAKER:** I WANT TO THANK STAFF WITH WORKING WITH WICKS'S
18 OFFICE THIS HAS NOT HAPPENED AT THE SAME TIME AS OUR BOND I
19 SAW THIS DEVELOPMENT MY FIRST WORRY WAS OVERLOAD DEVELOPMENT
20 SOMETHING I KNOW VARIOUS CITIES LIKE MINE WANT TO AVOID. EVEN
21 WITH WHAT'S GOING ON IN MARCH AND THE BAHFA BOND GOING IN
22 NOVEMBER THIS PROBABLY WILL CREATE EXTRA WORK, TWO DIFFERENT
23 THINGS WE'RE VOTING FOR I CAN IMAGINE VOTERS SAYING DIDN'T WE
24 JUST APPROVE THIS AND DON'T SEE THE DIFFERENCE. I THINK THIS



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1 WILL STILL HAVE EXTRA WORK BUT APPRECIATE THE WORK THAT'S
2 ALREADY GONE AND THE SCHEDULING.

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4 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** GREAT. SEEING NO COMMENTS. DO I HAVE A
5 MOTION AND A SECOND TO REFER A SUPPORT POSITIONS ON A.B. 1657
6 TO THE ABAG EXECUTIVE BOARD AND MTC COMMISSION RESPECTIVELY?

7

8 **SPEAKER:** SO MOVED.

9

10 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** SECOND. CARLSON.

13

14 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** THANK YOU. DO WE HAVE ANY PUBLIC COMMENT,
15 MARTHA.

16

17 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** THERE WAS NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE
18 RECEIVED ON THIS ITEM NO ONE IN THE BOARDROOM AND NO ONE
19 ONLINE WISHING TO SPEAK.

20

21 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** ROLL CALL, PLEASE?

22

23 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** CANEPA?

24

25 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** YES ARREGUIN IS ABSENT. AHN?



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2 **EDDIE AHN:** YES.

3

4 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** CARLSON?

5

6 **SPEAKER:** YES.

7

8 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** DUTRA-VERNACI?

9

10 **CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI:** AYE.

11

12 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** EKLUND?

13

14 **PAT EKLUND:** AYE.

15

16 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** MOULTON IS ABSENT NOACK?

17

18 **SPEAKER:** YES.

19

20 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** RAMOS?

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22 **BELIA RAMOS:** YES.

23

24 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** RABBITT?

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1 **DAVID RABBIT:** YES.

2

3 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** SPERING IS ABSENT. TIEDEMANN?

4

5 **SPEAKER:** YES.

6

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

9

10 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** THAT BRINGS US TO THE NEXT 4A WASHINGTON
11 WHAT DC LEGISLATIVE UPDATE REPORT ON KEY LEGISLATIVE FUNDING
12 AND POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS OVER THE PAST MONTH FROM
13 WASHINGTON, D.C. BY SUMMIT STRATEGIES. INFORMATION ITEM,
14 GEORGIA GANN DOHRMANN.

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16 **GEORGIA GANN DOHRMANN:** BIG NEWS WE DID NOT DEFAULT, FOR THOSE
17 STILL WORD ABOUT THAT. I ENCOURAGE TO YOU READ IT, IT GOES
18 INTO DETAIL ON THE DEBT CEILING DEAL AND WHAT IT MEANS FOR
19 INFRASTRUCTURE. KEY HIGHLIGHTS ARE THAT TRANSPORTATION
20 INFRASTRUCTURE DID EXTRAORDINARILY WELL IN THE DEBT CEILING
21 DEAL. THAT'S AN INDICATION OF THE OWNERSHIP THAT PRESIDENT
22 BIDEN FEELS OVER THE BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW AND REALLY
23 STRONG COMMITMENT TO PROTECT THE FUNDING THAT WAS COMMITTED
24 THROUGH THE BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW SO THE RESOURCES
25 THAT MTC REALLY GOODS ON GET OUT THE DOOR AND TRANSIT



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1 OPERATORS THROUGH THE OBAG PROGRAM ARE PROTECTED WHICH IS
2 GREAT NEWS. THE IMPACT ON HOUSING IS A LOT MORE TO BE
3 DETERMINED SO WE'LL KNOW MORE HOW THAT PLAYS OUT IN
4 APPROPRIATIONS GOING ON THROUGHOUT THE NEXT SEVERAL MONTHS IN
5 DC. WITH THAT, I'LL TAKE ANY QUESTIONS.

6

7 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** NO.

8

9 **SUE NOACK:** YOU GUY DESERT A GREAT JOB CLAWING BACK FUNDS THAT
10 WERE OBLIGATED AND WANTED TO THANK YOU FOR THE TREMENDOUS
11 EFFORT YOU GUYS DID TO MAKE SURE THAT DIDN'T HAPPEN IN OUR
12 REGION.

13

14 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** STAFF WORKED REALLY HARD, WHAT WAS THAT
15 AMOUNT?

16

17 **REBECCA LONG:** WE HAD ABOUT \$43 MILLION THAT WAS AT RISK OF
18 BEING CLAUDE BACK JUST IN THE BAY AREA ALONE. I THINK IT'S
19 CLOSE TO 300 MILLION STATEWIDE, AND MTC IDENTIFIED THIS AS
20 SOON AS IT WAS APPARENT THAT THIS WAS A RISK AND BEGAN
21 COORDINATING WITH CALTRANS, CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION
22 COMMISSION, AND REALLY ENCOURAGED RAPID ACTION. AND,
23 BASICALLY, WITHIN ABOUT FIVE DAYS TO SPARE THE AIR, THE
24 CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION DID HOLD AN EMERGENCY
25 HEARING, EMERGENCY MEETING THAT ALLOWED THEM TO SHIFT THE



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1 FUNDS SO THEY WOULD ALL BE OBLIGATED IN TIME. IT WAS A BIT OF
2 A SCRAMBLE BUT I WOULD CREDIT OUR TEAM FOR LEVERAGING ALL
3 THOSE GOOD RELATIONSHIPS WE HAVE TO GET THE JOB DONE. SO AT
4 THE END OF THE DAY, I THINK WE MAY HAVE 500,000 AT RISK OUT OF
5 43 MILLION. SO, THANKS.

6

7 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU COMMISSIONER
8 NOACK FOR BRINGING THAT TO OUR ATTENTION. I THINK THAT'S
9 REALLY PERSONALITY. ANY PUBLIC COMMENT, MARTHA?

10

11 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** THERE WAS NO WRITTEN CORRESPOND RECEIVED
12 ON THIS ITEM. NO MEMBERS IN THE BOARDROOM WISHING TO SPEAK ON
13 THIS ITEM AND NO ONE IN ZOOM WISHING TO SPEAK.

14

15 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** GREAT. THANK YOU SO MUCH. THAT BRINGS US
16 TO AGENDA ITEM FIVE, PUBLIC COMMENT, OTHER BUSINESS. AND I
17 WILL NOW ASK THE CLERK TO LIST ITEMS UNDER PUBLIC COMMENT
18 ASSOCIATED THIS TO THIS ITEM AT INFO@BAYAREAMETRO.GOV BY 5:00
19 P.M. YESTERDAY INTO THE RECORD. I WOULD ALSO ASK IF ARE THERE
20 ANY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATING BY TELECONFERENCE OR
21 GENERAL COMMENTS NOT RELATED TO AN ITEM ON TODAY AGENDA,
22 PLEASE USE THE RAISED HAND FEATURE OR DIAL NINE. IN-PERSON
23 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SHOULD FORM A LINE NEAR THE PODIUM AND I
24 WILL CALL UPON YOU TO SPEAK. DO WE HAVE ANY PUBLIC COMMENT?
25 YEAH. THANK YOU. I SEE THE LINE.



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2 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** [LAUGHTER] THERE IS A WHOLE LINE. THERE
3 ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED, AND THERE
4 WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED ON THIS ITEM. NO ONE IN THE
5 BOARDROOM WISHING TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

6

7 **CHAIR, DAVID CANEPA:** ALL RIGHT. SO THE NEXT MEETING OF THE
8 JOINT MTC ABAG LEGISLATION COMMITTEE WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY
9 JULY 14TH, 2023 AT 9:45 A.M. AT THE BAY AREA METRO CENTER, 375
10 BEALE STREET, SAN FRANCISCO. ANY CHANGES TO THE SCHEDULE WILL
11 BE DULY NOTICED TO THE PUBLIC. THE MEETING OF THE JOINT MTC
12 ABAG LEGISLATION COMMITTEE IS ADJOURNED. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

13 [ADJOURNED]

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