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Meeting Transcript

BAY AREA INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING AUTHORITY

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BAY AREA INFRASTRUCTURE AND FINANCING AUTHORITY [MEETING WILL BEGIN SHORTLY]

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: I WOULD LIKE TO CALL THE BAIFA MEETING TO ORDER FOR SEPTEMBER 23RD. PLEASE ROLL THE TAPE. DUE TO COVID-19, THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED AS A ZOOM WEBINAR. PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20, WHICH SUSPENDS CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS OF THE BROWN ACT. THIS MEETING WILL BE WEBCAST ON THE MTC WEB SITE. I WILL CALL UPON COMMISSIONERS, PRESENTERS, STAFF, AND OTHER SPEAKERS BY NAME AND ASK THAT THEY SPEAK CLEARLY AND RESTATE THEIR NAMES BEFORE GIVING COMMENTS OR REMARKS. PERSONS PARTICIPATING VIA ZOOM AND WEBCAST WITH THEIR CAMERAS ENABLED ARE REMINDED THEIR ACTIVITIES ARE VISIBLE TO VIEWERS. COMMISSIONERS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATING BY ZOOM, WISHING TO SPEAK SHOULD USE THE RAISED HAND FEATURE OR DIAL STAR NINE AND I WILL CALL UPON YOU AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME. TELECONFERENCE ATTENDEES WILL BE CALLED UPON BY THE LAST FOUR DIGITS OF THEIR PHONE NUMBERS. AND IT IS REQUESTED THAT PUBLIC SPEAKERS RESTATE THEIR NAMES AND ORGANIZATIONS, BUT PROVIDING SUCH INFORMATION IS VOLUNTARY. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THIS BODY WERE ASKED TO SUBMIT COMMENTS IN WRITING AT

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INFO@BAYAREAMETRO.GOV. WRITTEN COMMENTS RECEIVED WILL BE POSTED TO THE ONLINE AGENDA AND ENTERED INTO THE RECORD BUT WILL NOT BE READ OUT LOUD. IF AUTHORS OF THE WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK, THEY ARE FREE TO DO ON THE REFERENCED AGENDA ITEM OR ANY TOPIC THEY CHOOSE. SPEAKERS SHOULD RAISE THEIR HAND, AND I WILL CALL UPON THEM AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME. A ROLL CALL VOTE WILL BE TAKEN FOR ALL ACTION ITEMS. THE CHAT FEATURE IS ACTIVE, HOWEVER, PLEASE BE AWARE THAT ANYTHING TYPED INTO THE CHAT WILL BE SUBJECT TO PUBLIC DISCLOSURE. THE CHAT FEATURE IS NOT AVAILABLE TO ATTENDEES. IN ORDER TO GET THE FULL ZOOM EXPERIENCE, PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR APPLICATION IS UP TO DATE.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: I'M HAVING A LOT OF BACKGROUND NOISE. WE'LL TRY TO KEEP IT MUTED. WE'LL SEE HOW IT GOES. CLERK CALL ROLL CALL PLEASE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: HAGGERTY?

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: HERE.

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

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: SHE WAS ON.

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CLERK OF THE BOARD: SHE WAS ON, BUT I DON'T SEE HER. GLOVER? HERE

CLERK OF THE BOARD: SPERING?

JAMES P. SPERING: HERE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: TAVARES IS ABSENT. WORTH?

AMY R. WORTH, VICE CHAIR: HERE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: QUORUM IS PRESENT.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: WE'LL DISPENSE OF THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. NOBODY WANTS TO LOOK AT OUR BELLIES WHILE WE PLEDGE, NOT IN UNISON. SO DO SOMETHING PATRIOTIC THROUGHOUT THE DAY. COMPENSATION ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE CLERK.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: AS AUTHORIZED BY STATE LAW I AM MAKING THE FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENT. EACH MEMBER OF THE BOARD HERE TODAY WILL BE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE $100 PER MEETING ATTENDED UP TO A MAXIMUM OF $500 PER MONTH PER AGENCY. THIS AMOUNT IS A PROVIDED AS A RESULT OF CONVENING A MEETING FOR WHICH EACH MEMBER IS ENTITLED TO COLLECT SUCH AMOUNT.

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SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: YOU THANK YOU. WE'LL NOW MOVE TO CONSENT CALENDAR LOOKING FOR MOTION ON CONSENT. DUTRA-VERNACI IS BACK WITH US.

JAMES P. SPERING: MOVE CONSENT. SPERING.

CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: I'LL GO AHEAD AND SECOND. AND THANK YOU FOR PROMOTING ME SO I COULD PARTICIPATE.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: WELCOME. AND WE APPRECIATE YOUR PARTICIPATION. I HAVE A MOTION AND SECOND. I WOULD ASK DO YOU HAVE ANY LETTERS ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR?

CLERK OF THE BOARD: I HAVE RECEIVED NO WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENT, AND I SEE NO RAISED HANDS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: THANK YOU. WITH THAT I'LL ASK FOR A ROLL CALL VOTE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: HAGGERTY?

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: YES.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: DUTRA-VERNACI?

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CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: AYE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: GLOVER?

FEDERAL D. GLOVER: YES.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: SPERING?

JAMES P. SPERING: YES.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: AND.

AMY R. WORTH, VICE CHAIR: WORTH AYE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: THAT ITEM PASSES UNANIMOUS.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: MOVING TO 5AI AND II. IT IS A PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION OF PROPOSED BAIFA PATROL FACILITY ORDINANCE AMENDMENT. I AM SCOTT HAGGERTY CHAIR OF BAY AREA INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING AUTHORITY, ALSO KNOWN AS BAIFA I WOULD LIKE TO AGENDA 5AI, IN THE PUBLIC HEARING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO BAIFA'S TOLL FACILITY ORDINANCE. THE PUBLIC HEARING IS NOW OPEN. A SHORTHAND REPORTER IS TRANSCRIBING THE PROCEEDINGS. IF YOU WISH TO TESTIFY PLEASE USE THE RAISED HAND FEATURE OR DIAL STAR NINE AND WAIT TO BE CALLED UPON. WE ASK

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EACH SPEAKER TO BE BRIEF AND CONCISE AND KEEP COMMENTS TO TWO MINUTES. BY WAY OF BACKGROUND, STAFF SHARED A SUMMARY OF TOLLING RULES IN A PROPOSED AMENDMENT WITH BAIFA AT ITS JULY MEETING. THE AMENDED AND RESTATED TOLL FACILITY ORDINANCE WAS POSTED ON MTC'S WEB SITE BEGINNING AUGUST 7, 2020 PROVISIONS WERE MADE FOR MEMBERS TO REQUEST HARD COPIES BY MAIL IF NEEDED. IN MID-AUGUST LEGAL NOTICES WERE PUBLISHED MULTIPLE TIMES IN MULTIPLE LANGUAGES IN NEWSPAPERS IN ALAMEDA, CONTRA COSTA, SAN FRANCISCO, SOLANO COUNTY, SANTA CLARA COUNTIES ANNOUNCING THE OPENING OF THE 30 DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR WRITTEN COMMENT ENDING SEPTEMBER 9TH, AND IDENTIFYING TODAY'S HEARING TO RECEIVE THE ORAL TESTIMONY, WRITTEN COMMENTS ABOUT PROPOSED AMENDED AND RESTATED TOLL FACILITY ORDINANCE. AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE TODAY'S PUBLIC HEARING, STAFF WILL PRESENT STAFF SUMMARY OF COMMENTS RECEIVED THROUGH SEPTEMBER 9TH, BEFORE THIS COMMITTEE CONSIDERS ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT AS PART OF AGENDA ITEM 5A II IN TODAY'S MEETING. THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT AND RESTATED TOLL FACILITY ORDINANCE IS BEING CONSIDERED FOR ADOPTION AT TODAY'S MEETING TITLE IS BAY AREA INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING AUTHORITY TOLL FACILITY ORDINANCE DATED JULY 27TH 2016 AS AMENDED AND RESTATED. THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION AND LAWS ARE REFERENCED IN ORDINANCE BATA RESOLUTION NUMBER 52 REVISED CALIFORNIA VEHICLE CODES SECTION 40250, 40273, 21655.5, 2301.5, 230 -- 23302, 52055 --.5 -- 4850.5, 5200 AND 4773 GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 50020 THROUGH

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50033;23, UNITED STATES CODE SECTION 166 AND TITLE 21 OF THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS SECTION 17 THROUGH 1707.1. I AM MAKING AND MOTIONING TO WAIVE THE READING OF THE AMENDED AND FACILITY ORDINANCE IN THE INTEREST OF TIME. DO I HAVE A SECOND?

JAMES P. SPERING: SECOND.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: I HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND. I WOULD CALL FOR THE ROLL VOTE. ROLL CALL.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: YES. HAGGERTY?

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: YES.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: DUTRA-VERNACI?

CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: AYE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: GLOVER? GLOVER?

FEDERAL D. GLOVER: AYE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: SPERING?

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JAMES P. SPERING: YES.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: AND WORTH?

AMY R. WORTH, VICE CHAIR: AYE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. THE MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I'LL NOW ASK STAFF TO PRESENT AN OVERVIEW OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE TOLL FACILITY ORDINANCE BEFORE PUBLIC COMMENT BEGINS.

PIERCE GOULD: GOOD MORNING COMMISSIONERS. I'M GOING TO ASK IF OUR TECHNICAL STAFF CAN BRING UP OUR PRESENTATION. BEFORE STARTING I'M GOING TO CONGRATULATE YOU ON GETTING THROUGH ALL THE GOVERNMENT CODE AND THINGS YOU HAD TO READ. IT WAS VERY WELL DONE.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I'M GOING TO ASK FOR A RAISE.

PIERCE GOULD: GOOD FOR YOU. MY NAME IS PIERCE GOULD. I WORK WITH MTC'S EXPRESS LANES TEAM. I AM HERE TODAY FOR A PUBLIC HEARING RELATED TO BAIFA TOLL ORDINANCE TO EXTEND SOUTH BOUND 680 LANE INTO CONTRA COSTA COUNTY AND FOLLOWING THAT I'LL MAKE

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A RECOMMENDATION ABOUT HOW TO PROCEED. AS A REMINDER WE ARE PROPOSING THE SAME TOLLING RULES AS THE EXISTING 680 EXPRESS LANES FOR CONSISTENCY. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. MY PRESENTATION BEGINNING WITH SOME BACKGROUND INFORMATION BEFORE WE PAUSE FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING RELATED TO THE PROPOSED TOLL ORDINANCE AMENDMENT. THEN I'LL GIVE AN OVERVIEW OF WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS THAT WE RECEIVED DURING THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD TO INFORM YOUR DECISION ABOUT WHETHER TO APPROVE THE AMENDED ORDINANCE. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. FIRST, I WANT TO QUICKLY REMIND EVERYBODY WHY WE ARE BUILDING EXPRESS LANES. WHILE THE CURRENT PANDEMIC HAS AFFECTED TRAFFIC OUR HOV LANES ARE DEGRADED WE'RE WORKING WITH THE EXPRESS LANE AND BUSES OFFERING ALTERNATIVE OF TRAFFIC TO ALL DRIVERS AND PROVIDING A CONSISTENT USER EXPERIENCE. MAP SHOWS THE EXPRESS LANE NETWORK DEVELOPED THROUGH OUR ONGOING STRATEGIC PLAN AND THE PURPLE PORTION POINTS TO THE 680 PROPOSED FOR INCLUSION IN THE BAIFA TOLL ORDINANCE TODAY. NEXT SLIDE. BAIFA ALREADY OPERATING THE I 680 EXPRESS LANES FROM WALNUT CREEK TO SAN RAHMON SHOWN IN YELLOW WE HAVE PARTNERED WITH CONTRA COSTA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY TO EXTEND THE PRESS LANE FROM MARTINEZ TO WALNUT CREEK IN THE SOUTHBOUND DIRECTION SHOWN IN BLUE CREATING A CONTINUOUS 23 MILE EXPRESS LANE. EVENTUALLY OUR EXPRESS LANE WILL CONNECT TO THE 680 EXPRESS LANES IN ALAMEDA COUNTY WHICH HAVE RECEIVED RM3 FUNDS FROM MTC TO CLOSE THE GAP. THE TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY EXPEDITED PROJECT DELIVERY SO OUR 680 EXTENSION TO

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OAKLAND IS A 2-PERSON CARPOOL LANE ON AUGUST 24TH AND SHOULD BEGIN OPERATING AS AN EXPRESS LANE WITH TOLLING IN EARLY 2021, ABOUT 9 MONTHS AHEAD OF SCHEDULE. AMENDING OUR TOLL ORDINANCE IS KEY STEP IN THE PROCESS TO TOLL THE EXTENSION. I WANT TO POINT ON YOU FOR THE EXISTING 680 EXPRESS LANES BAIFA WILL BEGIN TOLLING CLEAN AIR VEHICLES HALF PRICE TOLL ON FRIDAY OCTOBER 2ND. WE ARE ALSO PARTNERING WITH THE TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY ON CUSTOMER EDUCATION WHICH WILL CONTINUE THROUGH EARLY 2021. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. THE TOLL ORDINANCE ALLOWS BAIFA TO ENFORCE TOLL VIOLATIONS ON ITS EXPRESS LANES. IT DOCUMENTS OUR TOLL POLICIES IN THE CONTEXT OF CALTRAIN'S HOV LANE POLICIES. BAIFA'S TOLL ORDINANCE LAST AMENDED IN JANUARY TO ENABLE TOLLING ON THE 880 EXPRESS LANES AND HALF-PRICE TOLLS FOR CLEAN AIR VEHICLES ON ALL BAIFA EXPRESS LANES. STAFF IS PROPOSING THAT BAIFA AMEND ITS TOLL ORDINANCE TODAY TO ENABLE TOLLING ON 680 EXTENSION. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. AS YOU CAN SEE, IN THE PURPLE BOX, TOLLS ON THE 680 EXTENSION ARE PROPOSED TO BE THE SAME AS ON BAIFA'S EXISTING 680 EXPRESS LANES SO THE ENTIRE SOUTHBOUND EXPRESS LANE HAS CONSISTENT RULES SHOWN IN THE RIGHT COLUMN TOLLING RULES ARE CONSISTENT WITH THE 680 EXPRESS LANES AND 580 IN ALAMEDA WITH EXCEPTION OF HOV AVAILABILITY. FOR THE 680 EXTENSION CALTRANS DETERMINED OPERATING HOURS ARE WEEKDAYS FROM 5:00 A.M. UNTIL 8:00 P.M. AND ELIGIBILITY IS TWO OR MORE PERSONS FASTRAK WOULD BE REQUIRED AND TOLLS FREE FOR TWO OR MORE PERSON CARPOOLS AND

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HALF PRICE FOR CLEAN AIR VEHICLES, PENALTIES AND LATE FEE NOTICES FOR VIOLATIONS IS THE SAME AS OTHER EXPRESS LANES. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. SO NOW I'M GOING TO COVER THE FASTRAK RULES THAT WOULD APPLY TO THE 680 EXTENSION SAME FOR ALL BAY AREA EXPRESS LANES ALL VEHICLES IN THE EXPRESS LANE WOULD BE REQUIRED TO HAVE A FASTRAK ACCOUNT. SOLO DRIVERS COULD USE A STANDARD FASTRAK TOLL TAG OR A PROPERLY SET FASTRAK FLEX TOLL TAG TO TRAVEL TOLL FREE. ELIGIBLE CLEAN AIR VEHICLES MUST REGISTER AND USE A PROPERLY SET FASTRAK CLEAN AIR VEHICLE TOLL TAG TO PAY HALF PRICE TOLLS. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. OUR APPROACH TO ENFORCEMENT, ON THE 680 EXTENSION WOULD BE THE SAME AS FOR ALL BAY AREA EXPRESS LANES WORKING WITH FASTRAK OFFICE TOLL SYSTEM WILL USE TOLL TAG READERS AND LICENSE PLATE CAMERAS TO AUTOMATICALLY ISSUE VIOLATIONS FAILURE TO PAY RESULTS IN $25 FOR FIRST NOTICE 45 FOR SECOND LATE FEE FOR TOTAL OF $70 PLUS TOLL. PENALTY WAIVED FOR FIRST TIME VIOLATORS WHO HAVE FASTRAK ACCOUNT. LICENSE PLATE READS VERIFY NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN THE CAR, AS A GOAL FOR OUR EXPRESS LANES. THERE ARE MULTIPLE EXPRESS LANE OPERATORS ARE IN THE BAY AREA AND WE STRIVE FOR CONSISTENCY ACROSS ALL EXPRESS LANES THE AMENDMENT PROCESS IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO TOUCH BASE WITH THE PUBLIC ABOUT OUR TOLLING POLICIES SO WE CAN MAKE SURE THEY MAKE SENSE FOR THE REGION OVER TIME. PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS AMENDMENT SHOULD BE VIEWED IN A BROADER CONTEXT OF REGIONAL CONSISTENCY FOR TOLLING POLICY. WE ARE RESPONSIVE TO PUBLIC COMMENT BUT SOMETIMES IT

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MAY TAKE A LITTLE BIT OF TIME SINCE WE HAVE TO WORK WITH OTHER OPERATORS AND CALTRANS. REGARDLESS THE LISTENING PROCESS IS KEY. AS AN EXAMPLE WHEN WE AMENDED THE TOLL ORDINANCE IN JANUARY WE RECEIVED MANY COMMENTS ABOUT THE NEED TO ADDRESS EQUITY ESPECIALLY AFFORDABILITY AND AS A RESULT BAIFA WILL PILOT A MEANS TOLL DISCOUNT ON EXPRESS LANES. NEXT SLIDE. THIS IS THE END OF THE BACKGROUND INFORMATION PORTION OF MY PRESENTATION. I'M NOW GOING TO TURN IT BACK OVER TO OUR COMMISSIONER TO CONDUCT THE PUBLIC HEARING AND ASK OUR TECHNOLOGY TEAM TO PAUSE MY PRESENTATION.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: OKAY. THANK YOU. NOW WE'LL RECEIVE ANY ORAL TESTIMONY ON BAIFA'S PROPOSED AMENDMENT AND RESTATED TOLL FACILITY ORDINANCE. ONCE AGAIN IF YOU WISH TO TESTIFY PLEASE USE RAISE YOUR HAND FEATURE OR DIAL STAR NINE AND WE'LL CALL ON YOU WE ASK EACH SPEAKER BE BRIEF AND CONCISE AND KEEP COMMENTS TO NO MORE THAN TWO MINUTES. I WOULD LIKE TO ASK THE CLERK IF THERE IS ANY WRITTEN COMMENTS RECEIVED ON THIS ITEM.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: EXCUSE ME. I RECEIVED NO WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENT BUT I DO SEE TWO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HANDS RAISED.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. DO YOU WANT TO CALL ON THEM FOR ME?

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CLERK OF THE BOARD: SURE. FIRST SPEAKER IS ALETA DUPREE.

SPEAKER: THANK YOU CHAIR HAGGERTY AND MEMBERS. ALETA DUPREE FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS IMPORTANT. AND I'M IN SUPPORT. EXPRESS LANES ARE ESSENTIAL IN HELPING TO MITIGATE CONGESTION AND REDUCE AIR POLLUTION AND GREENHOUSE GASES. I AM A PERSON WHO DOES NOT HAVE A CAR. AND SO I'M ALWAYS RIDING WITH SOMEONE ELSE. AND SO EXPRESS LANES WILL HELP ME TO GET TO PLACES IN A MORE TIMELY MANNER. AND, CERTAINLY, I ALSO RIDE BUSES AND OTHER HIGH-OCCUPANCY VEHICLES. THEY'RE A NECESSARY PART OF ACHIEVING THESE GOALS. THERE IS CONSISTENCY AND EQUITY IN THIS. FASTRAK IS VERY IMPORTANT. I HOPE THAT WE CAN GET MORE PEOPLE INVOLVED IN FASTRAK. THIS IS THE WAY TO DO IT. BECAUSE FASTRAK IS REQUIRED. AND IT REALLY DOESN'T TAKE MUCH TO SETUP A FASTRAK. SO, I THINK WE NEED TO DO THIS. AND KEEP BUILDING A NETWORK OF EXPRESS LANES. WHICH, WITH INCENTIVES TO HAVE HIGHER OCCUPANCY SO ALL WILL HAVE THE BENEFITS OF REDUCED CONGESTION AND CLEANER AIR. THANK YOU.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: THANK YOU ALETA.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: THE NEXT SPEAKER IS, LAST FOUR DIGITS, 6262.

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SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING COMMISSIONERS, THIS IS ROLAND SAN JOSE. VERY BRIEFLY. NO COMMENT. GREAT PRESENTATION. BUT I DO WISH THAT THE SOUTH BAY USE THE SAME TOLLING RULES AS WE'RE BEING PRESENTED HERE. I WOULD ALSO RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT MTC REACH OUT TO VTA AND ASK THEM TO WATCH THE PRESENTATION THAT YOU WERE JUST GIVEN, BECAUSE I WENT TO A SIMILAR PRESENTATION IN COMMITTEE AT THE VTA, AND VTA STAFF DIDN'T HAVE ANY OF THE ANSWERS THAT MTC STAFF JUST PROVIDED. THANK YOU.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: THANK YOU ROLAND. WE ARE VERY PROUD OF OUR STAFF AT MTC, AND I APPRECIATE THE COMMENTS. I WILL -- WE HAVE NO OTHER SPEAKERS?

CLERK OF THE BOARD: NO.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: I'LL DECLARE THE HEARING TO BE CLOSED AND ASK STAFF TO SUBMIT A SUMMARY OF WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED IN THE 30 DAY PERIOD WHICH CONSIDERED ADOPTING PROPOSED AMENDED AND RESTATED TOLL AUTHORITY ORDINANCE.

PIERCE GOULD: I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE AN OVERVIEW OF THE WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS WE RECEIVED TO INFORM YOUR DECISION ABOUT THE WRITTEN AMENDED ORDINANCE. BRING BACK THE PRESENTATION. GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE. AND THE NEXT SLIDE AFTER THAT. PERFECT. LET'S STAY THERE FOR A MOMENT. ALL RIGHT. SO, STAFF ISSUED PUBLIC

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NOTICES IN MAJOR NEWSPAPERS TRIGGERING A THIRD DAY PERIOD FOR WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENT FROM AUGUST 9TH THROUGH SEPTEMBER 9TH. WE ALSO ISSUED A PRESS RELEASE MESSAGE TO THE PUBLIC THROUGH FACEBOOK AND TWITTER AND PROVIDED A LINK ON THE EXPRESS LANES PORTION OF THE 501 TO THE TOLL INFORMATION ON THE WEB SITES. WEB SITE HAD DETAILED INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED RULES OF THE 680 EXTENSION AND THE PHASED OPENING PLAN. WE HAD 15 COMMENTS THEY ARE POSTED ON THE RIGHT NOW. THESE MIGHT NOT SEEM LIKE A LOT OF COMMENTS BUT THESE ARE THE SAME RULES IN PLACE FROM WALNUT CREEK TO SAN RAHMON AND PEOPLE HAVE HAD A LOT OF OTHER THINGS ON THEIR MIND GIVEN COVID-19 AND THE RECENT FIRES. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. SO WHAT DID WE HEAR? REGARD OTHER THE TOLLING RULES, THERE WAS ONE MAIN THEME WHICH WAS A CONSISTENT CONCERN OF EQUITY, TO A LESSER DEGREE, THERE WAS OPPOSITION TO MIDDAY HOURS OF OPERATION, AND WE ALSO RECEIVED VARIOUS COMMENTS ON A BROAD ARRAY OF OTHER ISSUES. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. THE COMMENTS ON EQUITY ARE NOT SURPRISING, AND ARE CONSISTENT WITH WHAT WE HEARD WITH THE 880 ORDINANCE LAST FALL. KEY POINT EXPRESS LANES ARE ON THE POOR WE'RE ASSURING WE'RE TAKING EQUITY SERIOUSLY FOR EXPRESS LANES AND HAVE SHIFTED GEARS ON THIS ISSUE IN RESPONSE TO FEEDBACK AND ARE PILOTING A MEANS-BASED TOLL DISCOUNT ON EXPRESS LANES WE BELIEVE PARTICIPATION OF DRIVERS WHO EARN LOW INCOME IN PILOT DESIGN AND EVALUATION WILL BE KEY SUCCESS FACTOR FOR OUR PILOT WE AIM TO LAUNCH THE PILOT TO THE PUBLIC IN FALL OF 2O 21 OR

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SOONER IF POSSIBLE IN ADDITION THE PILOT WE'RE FOLLOWING OTHER EQUITY INITIATIVES -- SORRY. MY TONGUE GOT TIED UP IN RELATION TO SAN FRANCISCO AND SAN MATEO POLICIES WHICH WILL INFORM. MTC HAS LOOKED AT EQUITY IN THE PAST AND WE WILL INFORM POLICY DISCUSSIONS. WE WILL INFORM BACK TO BAIFA STARTING WITH PROGRESS AT THE LAUNCH. WE HEARD COMMENTS THAT EXPRESS LANE HOURS SHOULD BE IN THE MORNING AND EVENING MIDDAY CAUSES TRAFFIC IN THE EXPRESS LANES WHICH FRUSTRATES DRIVERS WHO DON'T WANT TO PAY OR CARPOOL. CALTRANS WANTS CONSISTENT HOURS ON EXPRESS LANES TO REDUCE DRIVER CONFUSION AND ALL DAY HOURS TO RELY MANAGEMENT OPTIONS WHILE SOME DO NOT EXPERIENCE MIDDAY CONGESTION OTHERS HAVE LIKE 880 WEEKDAYS AND 580 EASTBOUND ON FRIDAYS. BAIFA AND OTHER EXPRESS LANE OPERATORS SUPPORT OF CALTRAIN APPROACH FOR CONSISTENCY AND SIMPLICITY SINCE OPENING THE 680 EXPRESS LANES FROM WALNUT CREEK TO SAN RAHMON STAFF HIS MONITORED PERFORMANCE MIDDAY HOURS HAS NOT CAUSED SIGNIFICANT TRAFFIC CONGESTION ALL LANES ARE FREE FLOW FROM 10 TO 2:00 P.M. STAFFER WILL VAULT BEFORE AND AFTER CONDITIONS BEFORE THE 680 EXTENSION IF WE WANT TO REVISIT THE HOURS OF OPERATIONS IT WOULD REQUIRE DISCUSSION WITH CALTRANS AND THE OTHER EXPRESS LANE OPERATORS. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. WE RECEIVED OTHER COMMENTS ABOUT THE TOLLING RULES BUT THEY WERE SINGLE MENTIONS BRIEFLY ONE PERSON WAS OPPOSED TO USING A LICENSE PLATE CAMERA FOR AUTOMATED ENFORCEMENT AND WANTED CHP INSTEAD OTHERS WANTED MORE CAMERA ENFORCEMENT. SORRY. YOU HEAR THE

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STREET CLEANER GOING BY MY HOUSE RIGHT NOW. MIX OF CHP AND AUTOMATED ENFORCEMENT IS BEST APPROACH AND CAMERAS ARE STANDARD PRACTICE NATIONALLY WE WILL MONITOR THE LANE TO MAKE SURE PERFORMANCE IS AS PLANNED -- WE'LL MONITOR THE LANES TO MAKE SURE IT'S PERFORMED AS PLANNED AND ADDRESS PROBLEMS THAT MIGHT CROP UP. SOMEONE REQUESTED TOLL TAG REQUIREMENT FOR MOTOR CYCLES. BUT, YOU KNOW, FRANKLY OUR TOLL SYSTEM CANNOT TELL THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A MOTOR CYCLE AND A VEHICLE. SO A TOLL TAG IS NEEDED TO AVOID TOLLS. LASTLY ONE PERSON SUGGESTED A MORATORIUM ON TOLLING, GIVEN THE IMPACT ON COVID 19 ON TRAFFIC, HOWEVER WE HAVE SEEN TRAFFIC RETURN OVER TIME AND DRIVING ALONE MAY BE MORE POPULAR IN THE NEAR TERM HAVING EXPRESS LANES OPERATIONAL OFFERS ALTERNATIVE TO TRAFFIC WHERE AND WHERE IT HAPPENS. NEXT SLIDE. WE ALSO RECEIVED COMMENTS UNRELATED TO THE TOLLING RULES INCLUDING THAT THE PUBLIC SHOULDN'T HAVE TO PAY TWICE TO DRIVE IN THE LANE. EXPRESS LANES CREATE TRAFFIC IN THE GENERAL PURPOSE LANES AND PAYMENT NEEDS TO BE MAINTAINED. WE HAVE RESPONSES IN THE TABLE IN CASE YOU'RE INTERESTED LASTLY WE RECEIVED COMMENTS THAT ALL LANE TOLLING IS UNFAIR TO THE POOR TO CLEAR ALL LANE TOLLING ISN'T RELATED TO THIS EXPRESS LANE POLICY ACTION BUT WE WILL SHARE THIS COMMENT WITH MTC'S PLANNING SECTION FOR PLANNED BAY AREA 2050. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. SO THE TOLLING RULES THAT WOULD APPLY TO THE 680 EXTENSION ARE CONSISTENT WITH EXISTING TOLLING RULES ON OUR CONNECTING 680 PRESS LANES IN CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

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PLUS THE 680 AND 580 EXPRESS LANES IN ALAMEDA COUNTY WE ARE PURSUING MEANS-BASED TOLL PILOT IN BAIFA. WE WILL ANALYZE DATA REGULARLY TO ENSURE THE LANE PERFORMS AS PLANNED INCLUDING CLEAN AIR USAGE TO CONFIRM OUR TOLLING POLICIES WORK. IF NOT WE CAN EXPLORE CHANGES TO REGIONAL POLICIES WITH OUR PARTNERS. GIVEN COMMENTS AND RESPONSES WE'RE RECOMMENDING BAIFA APPROVES THE TOLL ORDINANCE TODAY. THIS CONCLUSION MY PRESENTATION. THANK YOU.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: MR. CHAIR, WE COULDN'T HEAR YOU.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: I AM SO SORRY. YOU WOULD THINK I WOULD SMARTER THAN THIS. I THINK THAT'S COMMISSIONER JOSEFOWITZ. I DON'T RECOGNIZE THE HAIR. COMMISSIONER JOSEFOWITZ, DO YOU HAVE A QUESTION?

COM. NICK JOSEFOWITZ: DOES ANYBODY HAVE A GOOD BARBER? I NEED SOME HELP THERE.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: I'LL DO IT NICK.

SPEAKER: THAT IS TREMENDOUS.

JAKE MACKENZIE: MY WIFE IS VERY GOOD.

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COM. NICK JOSEFOWITZ: I KNEW I WANTED TO COME TO THIS MEETING. I WAS -- I'M REALLY GLAD THAT WE'RE MOVING TOWARDS A MEANS-BASED TOLL DISCOUNT AND MOVING TOWARDS STANDARDIZING TOLLS ACROSS THE REGION. I AM CONCERNED THOUGH THAT WE HAVEN'T APPLIED THE KIND OF EQUITY LENS THE MEANS-BASED LENS TO THE FINES AND THE FEES AND THAT THERE IS THE REAL DRIVE ACROSS CALIFORNIA, THE GOVERNOR JUST SIGNED A PIECE OF LEGISLATION YESTERDAY BASED ON WORK THAT HAD BEEN DONE IN ALAMEDA AND SAN FRANCISCO AND OTHER COUNTIES TO ELIMINATE ALL CRIMINAL JUSTICE FEES. BECAUSE THEY WERE A HUGE BURDEN ON LOW INCOME HOUSEHOLDS. AND IT SEEMS TO ME LIKE WE SHOULD BE, AS PART OF THE LOW INCOME APPROACH HERE, WE SHOULD ALSO BE CONSIDERING ELIMINATING FINES AND FEES FOR LOW INCOME HOUSEHOLDS AND ALLOWING THEM TO POTENTIALLY WORK OUT, DO SORT OF COMMUNITY SERVICE, OR FIND OTHER WAYS TO JUST SORT OF MAKE RIGHT ON THEIR VIOLATIONS. AND I WAS WONDERING IF THAT IS SOMETHING YOU HAD CONSIDERED, AND IF IT WOULD BE SOMETHING THEY COULD -- THAT WE COULD INCORPORATE RIGHT NOW IN THIS MOTION.

PIERCE GOULD: I THINK ON THE PILOT SIDE THAT'S NOT SOMETHING I HAVE PERSONALLY CONSIDERED. I WOULD LIKE TO PASS THIS ALONG TO ANDY FREMIER IF HE'S ON THE LINE OR PERHAPS LISA KLEIN IF ANDY IS NOT.

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ANDREW FREMIER: GOOD MORNING COMMISSIONERS ANDREW FREMIER DEPUTY DIRECTOR. WE HAVE BEEN IN A HOLDING PATTERN UNTIL WE RESOLVE LEGAL ISSUES THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN BATA'S CAMP RELATIVE TO TOLL COLLECTION BUT WE ARE VISITING THE WHOLE PENALTY SCHEME IT'S WELL WORTHWHILE AND I WOULD BE HAPPY TO COME BACK TO THE COMMISSION ONCE WE GET THROUGH THE LEGAL CHALLENGES THAT ARE GOING ON RIGHT NOW IF THAT WOULD BE ALL RIGHT.

COM. NICK JOSEFOWITZ: I WOULD BE OPEN TO THAT. BUT -- AND IF OTHERS ARE OPEN TO INCLUDING THAT IN A -- IN A MOTION, THAT WOULD BE -- WELL, I GUESS I'M NOT EVEN ON THIS -- ANYWAY -- I'M NOT ON BEHAVE A ANYWAY. I REALLY APPRECIATE YOU COMING BACK WITH SOME OPTIONS THERE.

ANDREW FREMIER: COMMISSIONER, JUST TO REMIND YOU, THE BATA FOLLOWS BUSINESS POLICY RULES. BAIFA IS A CUSTOMER OF BATA IN THIS CASE BUT IT'S CERTAINLY WORTHWHILE TO EXPLORE.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: COMMISSIONER WORTH.

AMY R. WORTH: THANK YOU MR. CHAIR. I WOULD BE HAPPY TO MAKE THE MOTION AND ADD THAT ELEMENT TO THE MOTION. IN TERMS OF THE FINES AND FEES. AND AS ANDY -- AS OUR -- WELL, WHENEVER WE NEED TO DO. I MAY BE PREMATURE.

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SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: I GUESS WHAT YOU'RE SAYING IS, I THINK -- I AM -- I WOULD RATHER YOU HOLD OFF. BECAUSE I'M GOING TO SEE IF -- OKAY.

AMY R. WORTH, VICE CHAIR: RIGHT. I'M SORRY. I'LL WAIT UNTIL THE NEXT ITEM. GREAT. I CONCUR. LET ME JUST SAY THAT.

CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: OKAY. I'LL SECOND THE MOTION.

AMY R. WORTH, VICE CHAIR: IF IT'S THE APPROPRIATE TIME, I KNOW WE HAVE OUR PUBLIC HEARING AND THEN WE HAVE OUR ACTION. SO IF WE'RE STILL -- WHENEVER IT'S APPROPRIATE. YES.

CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: GOT IT.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: THE CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE IS TRYING TO TELL US SOMETHING. LET'S SEE IF I CAN UNMUTE --

CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: YOU'RE MUTED SCOTT.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: I DON'T KNOW HOW MY COMPUTER KEEPS BEING PUT ON MUTE HERE. BUT, COMMISSIONER LICCARDO, DO YOU STILL WISH TO SPEAK?

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SAM LICCARDO: YES. I'M SORRY. FORGIVE ME. I'M HAVING A PROBLEM WITH MY DEVICE. I JUST WANTED TO ADD A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT FOR COMMISSIONER JOSEFOWITZ TO GET A HAIRCUT. [LAUGHTER]

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: I'LL ACCEPT THAT AT THE TIME WE DO THE MOTION.

SAM LICCARDO: THANK YOU.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: OKAY. I SEE NOW OTHER COMMISSIONERS WISHING TO SPEAK. DID WE, KIMBERLY RECEIVE ANY COMMENTS ON 5AII ALSO DO YOU SEE ANY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC RAISING THEIR HAND.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: NO WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED AND I SEE NO RAISED HANDS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: I'LL GO BACK TO THE TWO LADIES AND ASK, AMY DID YOU WANT TO TRY YOUR MOTION NOW?

AMY R. WORTH, VICE CHAIR: OKAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE ADOPT THE PROPOSED TOLLING RULES, THAT'S RIGHT, WE'RE ON 5A2. IS THAT WHERE WE ARE?

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: YES.

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AMY R. WORTH, VICE CHAIR: JUST WANT TO CONFIRM IN SEQUENCE OF EVENTS. I WANT TO MOVE APPROVAL FOR THE RECOMMENDATION AND ALSO THAT WE INCORPORATE THE EXAMINATION OF THE TOLL FINES AND FEES IN THEIR INCORPORATED ORDINANCE.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: MEANS-BASED TOLLS FINDINGS AND FEES?

AMY R. WORTH: RIGHT. EXACTLY E ENHANCE IN EXPANDING --

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: BASICALLY THE REQUEST IS THAT STAFF COME BACK TO THE COMMITTEE.

AMY R. WORTH, VICE CHAIR: EXACTLY THAT STAFF COME BACK WITH THE ADDED ELEMENT OF THE MEANS-BASED ANALYSIS OF THE FINES AND FEES.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: THANK YOU. AND I HAVE A SECOND FROM DUTRA-VERNACI.

CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: YES. SECOND HOLDS.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: OKAY. ANYTHING ABOUT JOSEFOWITZ'S HAIRCUT?

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AMY R. WORTH: MY FATHER HAS SOME SEARS CLIPPERS.

CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: I'LL SECOND.

DIR. HILLARY RONEN: THEY'RE OPEN IN SAN FRANCISCO AGAIN.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: WITH THAT I'M GOING TO ASK FOR A ROLL CALL VOTE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: YES. HAGGERTY?

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: YES.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: DUTRA-VERNACI?

CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: AYE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: GLOVER?

FEDERAL D. GLOVER: AYE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: SPERING.

JAMES P. SPERING: YES.

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CLERK OF THE BOARD: AND.

AMY R. WORTH, VICE CHAIR: WORTH AYE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: 6A STAFF IS GOING TO GIVE AN OVERVIEW OF CAPITAL PROJECT DELIVERY FOR EXPRESS LANES LISA KLEIN IS GOING TO PRESENT THIS ITEM. THIS IS AN INFORMATION ITEM AND NO ACTION WILL BE REQUIRED.

LISA KLEIN: GOOD MORNING COMMISSIONERS LISA KLEIN WE DON'T NORMALLY GIVE AN UPDATE ON THE QUARTERLY REPORT. I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT TWO MILESTONES ON THE BAIFA EXPRESS LANES PROGRAM. COULD I ASK STAFF TO BRING UP THE PRESENTATION. A COUPLE OF QUICK IMAGES, COULD YOU GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. GREAT THANK YOU. I'M VERY HAPPY TO BE ABLE TO SAY, SHARE WITH YOU TODAY, THAT THE 880 EXPRESS LANES WILL START THEIR OPERATION NEXT WEEK ON FRIDAY OCTOBER 2ND. AS YOU PROBABLY RECALL THIS PROJECT CONVERTS EXPRESSING LANES TO EXPRESS LANES BETWEEN OAKLAND AND MILPITAS, IT'S REALLY SIGNIFICANT IN CONNECTING OUR REGIONAL EXPRESS LANE NETWORK AT THE SOUTHERN END OF THIS CORRIDOR WE DO PASS RIGHT INTO THERE, JUST ABOVE THE 237 EXPRESS LANES OPERATED BY VTA. CORRIDOR LOOKS REALLY GOOD. THIS PICTURE HERE, OBVIOUSLY IT'S A NIGHT TIME PICTURE THAT

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SHOWS SOME OF THE NEW STRIPING IN THE LANES. THIS IS A SEGMENT WHERE THE ACCESS IS RESTRICTED TO REDUCE WEAVING, AND I WANT TO, ALTHOUGH COMMISSIONER TAVARES IS NOT HERE TODAY, I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE A STRONG PARTNERSHIP WITH CALTRANS ON THIS WORK FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS. CALTRANS AND BAIFA HAVE DONE A LOT OF VERY CHOREOGRAPHED WORK TO DELIVER THREE IMPORTANT SAFETY OPERATION IMPROVEMENTS ON THE CORRIDOR CALTRANS HAS PAVED A PORTION OF THE CORRIDOR GENERAL PURPOSE LANES AND EXPRESS LANES WE HAVE INTRODUCED A NEW MEDIAN BARRIER HIGHER IN MANY LOCATIONS NOT SHOWN HERE IN THIS PICTURE AND FINALLY BAIFA PUT IN THE EXPRESS LANES AND YOU CAN SEE THAT SIGN HERE. IT IS OF COURSE AN INTERESTING TIME TO START TO OPEN OUR EXPRESS LANES GIVEN COVID AND I'M SURE IT'S GOING TO TAKE US A LITTLE TIME TO REALLY BUILD UP OUR USER BASE, INCLUDING THE CARPOOL, BUT WE DO THINK THAT IT IS A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION AND WILL BE SUPPORTIVE AS THE REGION RETURNS TO MORE NORMAL TRAFFIC WE HOPE MUCH SOONER RATHER THAN LATER -- OR NORMAL BUSINESS SOONER RATHER THAN LATER. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. THE SECOND THING I WANT TO DRAW ATTENTION TO WAS A PART OF THE INFORMATION PIERCE INCLUDED IN HIS PRESENTATION. THIS IS ABOUT THE I 680 LANES IN CONTRA COSTA COUNTY. AGAIN, THE CONTRA COSTA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY WAS ABLE TO COMPLETE WILL CONSTRUCTION WORK A YEAR EARLY ON THIS PROJECT WHICH IS TREMENDOUS. THAT PROJECT DID INCLUDE ABOUT FIVE MILES OF NEW LANES SOUTHBOUND THROUGH WALNUT CREEK WHICH HAS CLOSED A GAP,

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A CONSISTENT GAP IN OUR CARPOOL NETWORK FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS AND THAT LANE OPENED FOR CARPOOLS ON AUGUST 24TH. THE CONSTRUCTION WENT QUITE A BIT FASTER THAN PLANNED. AND WHILE WE'RE VERY HAPPY WITH THAT, THIS SEGMENT HAS BEEN A LONG TIME IN THE MAKING AND I AM SURE COMMISSIONERS GLOVER AND WORTH WHO WOULD UNDERLINE THAT POINT, IT MAY BE OF INTEREST TO THIS GROUP THAT ACTUALLY REGIONAL MEASURE TWO FUNDING ALONG WITH COUNTY SALES TAX WERE REALLY IMPORTANT FUNDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THAT GAP CLOSURE WORK. SO NOW, AT THIS POINT, THE BALL IS SQUARELY IN OUR COURT IN BAIFA'S COURT TO GET THAT TOLL SYSTEM UP AND RUNNING. WE ARE ABSOLUTELY UP TO THE TASK AND LOOKING FORWARD TO TAKING ON THAT WORK EXPEDITIOUSLY. THAT CONCLUSION MY PRESENTATION. THANK YOU.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: THANK YOU LISA. SORRY. I LOST THE SCREEN FOR A SECOND. I WOULD ASK THE CLERK WERE ANY ITEMS RECEIVED UNDER PUBLIC COMMENT ASSOCIATED WITH THIS ITEM.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: I RECEIVED NO WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENT BUT THERE IS ONE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: GO AHEAD AND CALL ON THAT PERSON.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: CALLER 6262. I BELIEVE THAT IS MR. LEBRON.

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SPEAKER: THIS IS ROLAND AGAIN, AND VERY BRIEFLY AS A FOLLOW UP TO THE OTHER COMMENTS MADE ABOUT THE CONSISTENT TOLLING ROADS IS THAT I WISH WE HAD CONSISTENT STRIPING BETWEEN EXPRESS LANES IN THE NORTH BAY AND EXPRESS LANES IN THE SANTA CLARA COUNTY, AND IF YOU GET IT DONE WITH CARROTS OR WITH STICKS, I DON'T REALLY PARTICULARLY CARE. I DON'T HAVE A PREFERENCE. THANK YOU.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: THANK YOU ROLAND, I SEE THERE ARE NO OTHER ATTENDEES WISHING TO SPEAK I'M GOING TO GO TO OUR VICE CHAIR AMY WORTH.

AMY R. WORTH, VICE CHAIR: THANK YOU MR. CHAIR. I WANTED TO TAKE A MINUTE AND THANK OUR BATA STAFF AND THE CCTA STAFF THAT WORKS SO HARD TO COMPLETE THIS 680 CORRIDOR, AS LISA MENTIONED, THIS HAS BEEN A LONG TIME IN COMING. BUT I THINK, ALSO, THE INITIATIVE OF CCTA AND BATA AND CALTRANS, AND OUR CONTRACTOR TO DO THE WORK DURING THIS TIME WHEN TRAFFIC WAS REDUCED ENABLED US TO COMPLETE THIS PROJECT A YEAR AHEAD OF TIME. AND TO THE POINT ABOUT THE SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS THAT ARE INCORPORATED IN THESE LANE CHANGES, I THINK IT'S CLEARLY EVIDENT IN THIS PROJECT MOVING THROUGH THAT HIGHLIGHT CONGESTED AREA, THROUGH WALNUT CREEK, IT'S BEEN GREATLY IMPROVED WITH THE COMPLETION OF THIS EXPRESS LANE, THE NEW STRIPING, AND THE WAY THE TRAFFIC IS ABLE TO FLOW. IT'S BOTH

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NOT ONLY SOUTHBOUND 680, BUT WHERE HIGHWAY 24 ENTERS GOING EAST. KUDOS TO EVERYBODY WHO WORKED SO HARD TO COMPLETE THIS PROJECT AHEAD OF SCHEDULE. AND NOW THIS WILL GIVE TIME TO DO THE TESTING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ELECTRONIC PIECE OF IT. SO THANK YOU IT EVERYBODY.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: OKAY. COMMISSIONER DUTRA-VERNACI? YOU SHOULD BE GOOD CAROLE. NO YOU'RE NOT.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: SHE IS UNMUTED. WE JUST CAN'T HEAR HER.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: YEAH. CAROLE, WE CAN'T HEAR YOU. I DON'T KNOW WHEN YOU JOINED, IF YOU JOINED WITH YOUR -- YOU KNOW, YOU ARE UNMUTED. SO, LOG OFF, AND COME BACK, AND MAKE SURE THAT WHEN YOU DO IT, YOU LOG ON WITH YOUR COMPUTER AUDIO. THAT'S THE BEST I CAN SAY. OKAY. SO, WITH THAT, ANYBODY ELSE WISH TO SPEAK? ALL RIGHT. WE DID THE PUBLIC COMMENT. THAT'S AN INFORMATIONAL REPORT I'M GOING TO MOVE ON TO ITEM SEVEN WHICH IS PUBLIC COMMENT. I WILL NOW ASK THE CLERK TO LIST ITEMS RECEIVED UNDER PUBLIC COMMENT ASSOCIATED WITH THIS ITEM AT INFO AT BAY AREA.GOV ALSO IF ANY MEMBERS WISHING TO PARTICIPATE ON ANY ITEMS NOT RELATED TO TODAY AGENDA USE THE RAISED HAND FEATURE OR DIAL STAR NINE AND I WILL CALL UPON YOU TO SPEAK. ANYBODY WISH TO SPEAK? I SEE NO SPEAKERS

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CLERK OF THE BOARD: I HAVE RECEIVED NO WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENT MR. CHAIR.

SCOTT HAGGERTY, CHAIR: WITH THAT THIS MEETING IS ADJOURNED. NEXT MEETING OF THE AUTHORITY IS SCHEDULED TO BE HELD ON JULY 22ND AT 375 BEALE STREET SAN FRANCISCO OR MOST LIKELY REMOTELY AND BY WEBCAST DEPENDENT ON SHELTER-IN-PLACE. ANY CHANGES WILL BE DULY NOTICED TO THE PUBLIC. WITH THAT WE'RE ADJOURNED. [ADJOURNED

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