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BAY AREA INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING AUTHORITY

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DIR. SCOTT HAGGERTY: ALL RIGHT. GOOD MORNING, WELCOME TO THE JANUARY 27TH MEETING OF THE BAIFA, THE Bay Area INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING AUTHORITY. I WOULD ASK KIMBERLY IF YOU WOULD PLEASE CONDUCT THE ROLL.

KIMBERLY WARD: YES. HAGGERTY.

DIR. SCOTT HAGGERTY: HERE.

CAROL DUTRA VERNACI: HERE.

KIMBERLY WARD: EL-TAWANSY IS ABSENT. GLOVER? GLOVER IS PRESENT. Spering?

DIR. JAMES SPERING: PRESENT.

AMY WORTH: HERE.

KIMBERLY WARD: QUORUM IS PRESENT. YOU ARE MUTED.

DIR. SCOTT HAGGERTY: NO. I WAS SAYING GOODBYE TO MY DAUGHTERS WHO ARE LOOKING AT ME THROUGH THE FRENCH DOOR. THEY'RE

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LEAVING. SO, SORRY. OKAY, BYE. SO, OKAY. ALL RIGHT. WE'VE CONFIRMED THE QUORUM. WE'RE MOVING TO THE Consent Calendar. Consent Calendar, LOOKING FOR ANY MOTION ON IT?

CAROL DUTRA VERNACI: I'LL SECOND.

DIR. SCOTT HAGGERTY: WAS THAT Spering?

DIR. JAMES SPERING: YES.

DIR. SCOTT HAGGERTY: I'VE GOT Spering AND DUTRA VERNACI ON THE Consent Calendar. ANYBODY WISH TO SPEAK ON IT?

KIMBERLY WARD: I SEE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED. I'VE RECEIVED NO WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENT. AND I SEE NO RAISED HANDS FROM THE COMMISSION.

DIR. SCOTT HAGGERTY: ALL RIGHT. THAT'S GREAT NEWS. SO WITH THAT, I'M LOOKING FOR A ROLL CALL VOTE. WARPED WARD HAGGERTY?

DIR. SCOTT HAGGERTY: YES.

CAROL DUTRA VERNACI: AYE.

FEDERAL D. GLOVER: YES.

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DIR. JAMES SPERING: YES.

AMY WORTH: AYE.

KIMBERLY WARD: MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

DIR. SCOTT HAGGERTY: ALL RIGHT. SO I GUESS THE UNDER ITEM 3A, THE ELUSIVE RAYMOND WOO IS STILL NOT HERE. SO WE'RE GOING TO GO OVER TO BRIAN MAYHEW AND SEE IF HE GETS OUT OF THIS ONE A LITTLE EASIER THAN THE LAST COMMITTEE.

BRIAN MAYHEW: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN. I WILL DO MY BEST TO REPRESENT MR. WOW. THE BAIFA FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FIRST QUARTER, AGAIN I REMIND YOU THAT WE STILL HAVE CLOSING ENTRIES DURING SEPTEMBER. SO IT COULD CHANGE A LITTLE BIT. BUT IT'S VERY BENIGN. 880 WASN'T ONLINE. 680 WAS RAMPING BACK UP. SO BASICALLY REVENUE IS ONLY $912,000. EXPENSES 751. THE GOOD NEWS IS IT STAYS IN BALANCE. THE REAL CHALLENGE WILL BE WITH THE DECEMBER REPORTS WHEN WE SEE BOTH OPERATIONAL. ON THE CAPITAL SIDE, THERE'S A $440 MILLION BUDGET. THERE'S 123 MILLION REMAINING UNSPENT AND UNENCUMBERED. AND THAT REALLY IS ABOUT IT FOR THIS ENTERPRISE FOR THIS REPORT. I'D BE HAPPY TO ANSWER QUESTIONS.

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DIR. SCOTT HAGGERTY: OKAY. ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS? KIMBERLY, DID YOU RECEIVE ANYTHING IN WRITING ON THIS?

KIMBERLY WARD: NO, MR. CHAIR. I RECEIVED NOTHING IN WRITING. AND I SEE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED.

AMY WORTH: GREAT, SCOTT.

DIR. SCOTT HAGGERTY: YES.

AMY WORTH: I DID WANT TO SAY THIS IS GOOD NEWS JUST TO SEE THE NUMBERS AND TO KNOW THAT WE ARE ALL CONTINUING TO WORK ON UTILIZING THOSE RESOURCES TO BUILD OUT OUR EXPRESS LANE SYSTEM IN ALL THE DIFFERENT WAYS. SO, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR TAKING GOOD CARE OF THOSE DOLLARS AND KNOW THAT THEY'RE GOING TO BE UTILIZED WELL. SO THANK YOU.

DIR. SCOTT HAGGERTY: YEAH. I THINK WELL SAID. AND AS YOU KNOW, WE'VE ALWAYS BEEN BLESSED BY GREAT STAFF AT MTC. AND BRIAN IS CERTAINLY ONE OF THOSE THAT HAS ALWAYS KEPT AN EYE ON THE DOLLAR. AT TIMES MADE US DOLLARS. SO WELL SAID, AMY. I APPRECIATE THAT. LOOKS LIKE I BROUGHT A TEAR TO BRIAN'S EYE. I SAW HIM GO LIKE THIS. GREAT JOB BY STAFF. WE CERTAINLY APPRECIATE ALL THE WORK BY ALL OUR STAFF. WITH THAT, THAT WAS

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AN INFORMATIONAL ITEM. KIMBERLY, I WILL ASK IF YOU RECEIVED ANYTHING IN WRITING, DOES ANYBODY WANT TO TALK TO US?

KIMBERLY WARD: NO. NOTHING RECEIVED IN WRITING AND NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE THEIR HAND RAISED.

DIR. SCOTT HAGGERTY: ALL RIGHT. WE WILL MOVE TO ITEM 4, WHICH IS PUBLIC ITEM. I WILL ASK THE CLERK TO LIST THE ITEMS ASSOCIATED UNDER THIS ITEM. I ALWAYS GET THIS WRONG. INFO@BayAREAMETRO.GOV BY 5 O'CLOCK YESTERDAY INTO THE RECORD. I WILL ALSO ASK IF THERE ARE ANY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATING BY TELECONFERENCE WITH GENERAL COMMENTS NOT RELATED TO AN ITEM ON TODAY'S AGENDA. PLEASE USE THE RAISE YOUR HAND FEATURE OR STAR 9 AND I WILL CALL UPON YOU. ANYBODY?

KIMBERLY WARD: YES. I'VE RECEIVED NOTHING IN WRITING. BUT ALETA DUPREE DOES HAVE HER HAND RAISED. ALETA, PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF.

SPEAKER: THANK YOU, CHAIR SCOTT HAGGERTY. APPRECIATE IT. I'M GOING TO TALK ABOUT SOME BAIFA STUFF TODAY. MY EXPERIENCE WITH EXPRESS LANES IS LIMITED. THE FIRST TIME I USED THEM WAS ON INTERSTATE 10 IN LOS ANGELES WHILE RIDING ON A BUS. BUT AS Y'ALL KNOW, WE HAVE A NEW ADMINISTRATION IN PLACE. AND WE SHOULD BE HAVING A NEW TRANSPORTATION SECRETARY SOON. SO THERE

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MAY BE SOME CHANGES IN WASHINGTON AS FAR AS TOLLING ON HIGHWAYS DESIGNATED AS INTERSTATES. AND I DO THINK EXPRESS LANES ARE A GOOD WAY TO PAY FOR HIGHWAYS AND TO MANAGE CONGESTION. I DO BELIEVE THAT THE MEANS-BASED ELEMENT SHOULD BE THERE AS WELL AS ENSURING INTO CONTINUING INTEGRATION WITH THE FALSE THE TRACK AND OFFBoard CASH PAYMENT BECAUSE I WOULD LIKE TO SEE PEOPLE TAKE THEIR BOTTLES, CANS, JARS, ET CETERA AND CONVERT THEM INTO BAIFA MONEY THAT THEY CAN USE ON BAIFA FACILITIES. SO WE'RE IN A NEW YEAR. LET'S SEE WHAT WE CAN DO TO BUILD EXPRESS LANES TO THE NEXT LEVEL BECAUSE THEY HELP ME GET WHERE I'M GOING. THANK YOU.

DIR. SCOTT HAGGERTY: ALL RIGHT. ALETA, APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WITH THAT, WE ARE ADJOURNED. KIMBERLY, ON THE ADJOURNMENT NOTICE, CAN WE REWRITE THAT BECAUSE I DON'T THINK WE'RE GOING TO BE MEETING AT 375 Beale ANY TIME SOON. SO WE WILL BE REMOTELY JOINING YOU ALL BY WEBCAST AS APPROPRIATE. DEPENDING ON THE SHELTER IN PLACE ORDERS. ANY CHANGES TO THE SCHEDULE WILL BE DULY NOTICED BUT WE WILL BE MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH. AND WITH THAT, THIS COMMITTEE IS ADJOURNED.

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