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Meeting Transcript

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 2021, 9:50AM

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING EVERYBODY WELCOME TO THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEETING. ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR. ROLL THE ANNOUNCEMENT. 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 IS BEING WEBCAST ON THE MTC WEB SITE. THE CHAIR WILL CALL UPON COMMISSIONERS, PRESENTERS, STAFF, AND OTHER SPEAKERS BY NAME AND ASK THAT THEY SPEAK CLEARLY AND STATE THEIR NAMES BEFORE GIVING COMMENTS OR REMARKS. PERSONS PARTICIPATING VIA WEBCAST AND ZOOM WITH THEIR CAMERAS ENABLED ARE REMINDED THAT 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 THE CHAIR WILL CALL UPON THEM AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME. TELECONFERENCE ATTENDEES WILL BE CALLED UPON BY THE LAST FOUR DIGITS OF THEIR PHONE NUMBER. IT IS REQUESTED THAT PUBLIC SPEAKERS STATE THEIR NAMES AND ORGANIZATION, BUT PROVIDING SUCH INFORMATION IS VOLUNTARY. WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED AT INFO@BAYAREAMETRO.GOV BY 5:00 P.M. YESTERDAY WILL BE POSTED TO THE ONLINE AGENDA AND ENTERED INTO THE RECORD BUT WILL NOT BE

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READ OUT LOUD. IF AUTHORS OF THE WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK, THEY ARE FREE TO DO SO. A ROLL CALL VOTE WILL BE TAKEN FOR ALL ACTION ITEMS. PANELISTS AND ATTENDEES SHOULD NOTE THAT THE CHAT FEATURE IS NOT ACTIVE.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. KIMBERLY. IF WE COULD DO ROLL CALL.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: JOSEFOWITZ?

COM. NICK JOSEFOWITZ: HERE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: ABE-KOGA?

DIR. MARGARET ABE-KOGA: HERE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: CANEPA?

DIR. DAVID CANEPA: HERE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: CHAVEZ? ABSENT. CONNOLY?

DAMON CONNOLLY: HERE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: DUTRA-VERNACI?

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CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: HERE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: EL-TAWANSY?

DINA EL-TAWANSY: PRESENT.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. GIACOPINI?

DORENE M. GIACOPINI: HERE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: GLOVER?

FEDERAL D. GLOVER: HERE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: LICCARDO?

SAM LICCARDO: PRESENT.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: MILEY?

SUP. NATHAN MILEY: HERE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: PAPAN?

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GINA PAPAN: HERE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: SCHAFF? IS PRESENT.

LIBBY SCHAFF: HERE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: WORTH?

AMY R. WORTH: HERE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. QUORUM IS PRESENT.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU. WE'RE GOING TO MOVE TO THE CHAIR'S REPORT AND I ASK FOR YOUR INDULGENCE MORE THAN NORMAL HERE. FIRST A MOMENT OF SILENCE, IT'S SAD WE START THIS REPORT WITH THIS NEWS THAT FORMER COMMISSIONER ANNE HALSTED WHO SERVED FROM 2,005 PASSED AWAY MARCH 17TH. OUR COMMISSION INCLUDES SEVERAL NEW MEMBERS WHO DID NOT HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF WORKING WITH HER BUT THOSE WHO DID KNOW OF HER ELEGANCE, AND MAKING THE BAY AREA A BRIGHTER INCLUSIVE PLACE. LET US, TO THE BEST OF OUR ABILITIES, CONDUCT THIS MEETING AS ANNE CONDUCTED HERSELF WITH GRACE AND DIGNITY AND WHEN OUR WORK IS COMPLETED TODAY LET US ADJOURN THIS MEETING IN HONOR OF HER. IF YOU COULD ALL JOIN ME IN A MOMENT OF SILENCE IF ANNE OWE HONOR. THANK YOU. I KNOW SOME OF US MAY HAVE SOME WORDS TO SAY. IT

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WAS DEVASTATING. WE ALL HAVE VERY FOND MEMORIES OF ANNE. COMMISSIONER SPERING?

JAMES P. SPERING: ANNE WAS MY VICE CHAIR AT THE PLANNING COMMITTEE FOR MANY YEARS AND I ALWAYS SAT NEXT TO HER AND SHE JUST LOVES SAN FRANCISCO AND ALWAYS PROTECTED SAN FRANCISCO'S INTEREST. BUT SHE REALLY UNDERSTOOD THAT SHE SERVED ON A REGIONAL BODY. SHE WOULD PASS ME NOTES DURING THE MEETING, WHISPER SOMETHING TO ME AT THE MEETING AND REALLY HAD A CONCERN ABOUT DISADVANTAGED RIDERS, OR UNDERPRIVILEGED AREAS THROUGHOUT THE WHOLE REGION. SO SHE ALWAYS WANTED TO DO THE RIGHT THING FOR THE REGION. AND GOT BLESS HER FOR ALL THE WORK SHE D BUT SHE WAS ONE OF THOSE SILENT LEADERS AT MTC THAT REALLY BROUGHT A LOT OF GOOD ISSUES AND LEADERSHIP TO THE COMMISSION. SO I JUST WANT TO SAY HOW MUCH SHE IS GOING TO BE MISSED. JUST A GREAT INDIVIDUAL. THANK YOU MR. CHAIRMAN.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER. COMMISSIONER WORTH?

AMY R. WORTH: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR. COMMISSIONER SPERING SAID IT SO WELL. AND FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO WANT TO HAVE A CHANCE, SAM WHITING'S PIECE ON ANNE WAS IN THE CHRONICLE LAST WEEK. IT WAS A BEAUTIFUL ENCAPSULATION OF ALL THE AREAS THAT SHE TOUCHED. AND SHE DID CARE SO DEEPLY ABOUT THE REGION. AND I

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LOVED SERVING WITH HER AND GOT TO KNOW HER WELL THROUGH OUR MUTUAL FRIENDSHIP WITH ELLEN TAUSCHER, AND ONE OF THE THINGS ABOUT ANNE, A COUPLE OF, JUST MEMORIES COME TO MIND, ONE, SHE CARED DEEPLY ABOUT THE REGION AS COMMISSIONER SPERING SAID. SECOND OF ALL, SHE CARED DEEPLY ABOUT ENCOURAGING AND SUPPORTING WOMEN MOVING INTO ELECTED OFFICE IN THE VERY EARLY DAYS. YOU KNOW, WHEN THERE WEREN'T A LOT OF WOMEN SERVING IN REGIONAL, STATE, FEDERAL POSITIONS. SHE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN SUPPORTING SENATOR FEINSTEIN AND SUPPORTING CONGRESSWOMAN TAUSCHER JUST TO NAME A COUPLE OF THE MANY. SHE CARED VERY MUCH ABOUT MTC AND ABAG I AM MINDFUL OF ONE TIME WHEN SHE GAVE ME A CALL AND WE MET TYPICALLY IN ANNE HALSTED FASHION, SITTING IN THE LOBBY TALKING ABOUT THE MTC STAFF MERGER SHE LOOKED AT ME WITH THESE PIERCING EYES AND SAID AMY, IS THIS GOING TO BE OKAY? AND I SAID ABSOLUTELY. I THINK THIS IS A GREAT THING FOR OUR ORGANIZATION. WE TALKED ABOUT ALL THE ISSUES AROUND THE MERGER AND SHE REALLY CARED SO MUCH ABOUT THAT PROCESS. AND REALLY WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT BOTH ORGANIZATIONS WERE SERVED AND HER EXPECTATIONS AND HER HOPES, OF COURSE, HAVE BEEN FULFILLED BY DOING THAT. BUT THAT, BY, IN THE MERGER AND IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE STAFF MERGER. BUT I THINK THAT THAT MOMENT REALLY REFLECTED HER DEEP, DEEP PERSONAL COMMITMENT TO REGIONALISM AND TO HAVING THE ORGANIZATIONS THAT WORK. SO BEAUTIFULLY AND OF COURSE HER REGIONALISM TOUCHED BEYOND MTC AND ABAG HER BCDC WORK. I WILL

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MISS HER TERRIBLY. SHE WAS LIKE A GENTLE GIANT WHO USED HER RESOURCES TO BE ABLE TO MOVE FORWARD SUCH IMPORTANT ISSUES IN OUR REGION. SO, I, TOO, WILL MISS HER TREMENDOUSLY. WE TALKED ABOUT HER AT BARC THE OTHER DAY, TOO, AND ALSO NOTED THAT SPUR AND BCDC KEPT SOME WONDERFUL CLIPS THAT THEY DEVELOPED ON HER LIFE THAT YOU ALL WOULD ENJOY SEEING TOO. SO THANK YOU MR. CHAIR.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER WORTH. I KNOW FORMER CHAIR HAGGERTY IS TRYING TO GET IN. SO WHENEVER WE CAN FLAG HIM LET'S GET HIM IN. NEXT UP VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ?

COM. NICK JOSEFOWITZ: THANK YOU. I DON'T HAVE SO MUCH TO SAY OTHER THAN'S BEEN SAID EXCEPT TO SAY THAT ANNE WAS A REAL MENTOR OF MINE, AND I AM SO DEEPLY GRATEFUL FOR MENTORSHIP AND KIND OF HER APPRECIATION OF HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO WORK AT, LIKE, TO IMPROVE HER BLOCK AND HER NEIGHBORHOOD, AND THAT'S WHERE, YOU KNOW, SHE SPENT SO MUCH OF HER TIME AND ALSO WORKING TO IMPROVE SAN FRANCISCO AND IMPROVE OUR REGION AND OUR STATE AND HER WORK ACROSS ALL OF THOSE DIFFERENT GEOGRAPHIES AND DOING, ALWAYS DO IT WITH SUCH UNBELIEVABLE COMPASSION, AND BUILDING INSTITUTIONS THAT ARE GOING TO LONG OUTLIVE HER. AND THAT ARE GOING TO KIND OF -- ARE GOING TO BE HER LEGACY FOR THE GENERATIONS TO COME. SO SAD THAT SHE'S NOT WITH US.

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ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ. COMMISSIONER RABBIT?

DAVID RABBIT: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I JUST WANT TO EQUITY, ALTHOUGH I HAVEN'T WORKED WITH ANNE AS LONG AS MY COLLEAGUES BUT IN A WORD GRACE IS SOMETHING THAT'S CERTAINLY IS SYNONYMOUS WITH MY RELATIONSHIP WITH ANNE. TO COMMISSIONER SPERING'S COMMENTS AS WELL, MAN, WE CAN ALL BENEFIT FROM EMULATING HER STYLE, GRACEFUL, THOUGHTFUL, PASSIONATE, THE QUIET LEADERSHIP THAT COMES THROUGH. GOD BLESS ANNE AND HER MEMORY, AND TO HER FAMILY WE CERTAINLY SEND CONDOLENCES. I DO APPRECIATE THE WORDS OF MY COLLEAGUES.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER RABBIT. COMMISSIONER LICCARDO.

SAM LICCARDO: THANKS. REALLY APPRECIATE EVERYONE REFLECTING ON ANNE. I LOVED ANNE'S PASSION FOR PUBLIC SERVICE. SHE CARED SO MUCH ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT, ABOUT ALL THE THINGS. GOOD GOVERNMENT, ALL THE THINGS THAT WE'RE WORKING HARD ON. IT WAS AN UNDERSTATED PASSION SHE NEVER WANTED TO BE THE MOST VOCAL PERSON IN THE GROUP AND SHE RESTRAINED AT TIME BUT WHEN SHE DID SPEAK YOU COULD HEAR IT AND PERHAPS YOU HEARD IT LOUDER BECAUSE SHE WAS SO JUDICIOUS IN HER USE AND WEIGHING IN. I

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ALSO JUST REALLY APPRECIATED ANNE FOR BEING A WONDERFUL PERSON SHE WROTE A THOUGHTFUL NOTE TO ME A FEW MONTHS AGO I'LL NEVER FORGET AND JUST HOW COURAGEOUSLY SHE SOLDIERS ON IN HER ILLNESS WE NEVER HEARD A COMPLAINT. WE ALWAYS ASKED HOW SHE WAS DOING AND HAD TO REALLY PULL IT OUT OF HER SHE SHOWED SO MUCH GRIT AND COURAGE I ADMIRE GREATLY.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER. COMMISSIONER AHN.

EDDIE AHN: THANKS. AS ANNE'S REPLACEMENT FOR BCDC, I WANT TO RECOGNIZE I AGREE WITH ALL COMMISSIONER COMMENTS ABOUT HER COMMITMENT TO REGIONAL GOVERNANCE PUBLIC POLICY COMMUNITY SERVICE. THE THING I WANT TO FOCUS ON IS HOW MUCH SHE UNDERSTOOD THE VALUE OF REACHING OUT TO LOCAL COMMUNITIES OTHER THAN HER OWN. EVERYBODY KNOWS OF HER DEEP COMMITMENT TO TELEGRAPH HILL AND SAN FRANCISCO WATERFRONT BUT THE WAY SHE THOUGHT OF ME SUCCEEDING HER WAS ABOUT ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AT THEN OF THE DAY AND ENVIRONMENTAL REPRESENTATION THOUGHT OF IN THOSE TERMS IT SEIZE PROPHETIC NOW GIVEN THE WAY OF ANTI-ASIAN VIOLENCE THAT'S ROCKING THE COUNTRY AND COMING TO REPRESENTATION. IT'S A FUNDAMENTAL PART OF WHO SHE IS. SHE REALLY BELIEVED IN WORKING ACROSS DIFFERENT COMMUNITIES AND I THINK, I'M VERY GRATEFUL TO HER FOR HER CONTINUING TO TEACH ME THAT LESSON IN MY CAREER. THANK YOU.

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ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER AHN. COMMISSIONER RONEN?

DIR. HILLARY RONEN: THANK YOU SO MUCH. I JUST WANT TO SAY HOW MOVED I WAS BY ANNE AND BY HER SPIRIT AND GETTING TO KNOW HER. EVEN MORE LISTENING TO THE IMPACT SHE HAD ON ALL OF YOU, WHICH WAS VERY SIMILAR TO THE IMPACT THAT SHE HAD ON ME. I WANT TO SHARE THAT WE CLOSED -- OR, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING AND OUR TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY MEETING IN THE MEMORY OF ANNE, AND SO MANY OF MY COLLEAGUES ON THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FELT ABOUT HER, LIKE WE FEEL ABOUT HER AND SHE JUST SEEMS TO HAVE THAT IMPACT ON ANYONE SHE MET IN ANY CONTEXT. SO I JUST, AGAIN, WANT TO WISH HER FAMILY MUCH LOVE AND CONDOLENCES AND THANK HER FOR HAVING THE IMPACT SHE HAD ON SO MANY OF US.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER RONEN. I BELIEVE BOARD CHAIR HAGGERTY IS ON, KIMBERLY?

CLERK OF THE BOARD: HE IS ON, BUT I BELIEVE HIS AUDIO IS STILL TRYING TO CONNECT.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: LET'S GO TO COMMISSIONER PAPAN AND WE'LL JUMP BACK OVER TO CHAIR HAGGERTY.

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GINA PAPAN: I AGREE WITH WHAT EVERYBODY SAID THERE IS JUST NOT ENOUGH WORDS TO SAY HOW GREAT ANNE WAS. I WROTE A NOTE WHEN SHE LEFT. SHE WROTE A NOTE BACK. SHE'S JUST WONDERFUL.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER PAPAN. KIMBERLY? HAVE YOU BEEN ABLE TO ESTABLISH CONNECTION WITH FORMER CHAIR HAGGERTY?

CLERK OF THE BOARD: IT LOOKS AS THOUGH HE IS CONNECTED. IF WE CAN UNMUTE HIMSELF YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO HEAR HIM.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: SCOTT, DO YOU WANT TO GRACE US WITH YOUR VOICE?

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. IT SOUND LIKE THE CONNECTION IS STILL NOT THERE. WHY DON'T WANT WE GO TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC -- DO WE HAVE ANY OTHER? YES. THERE ARE ADDITIONAL -- LET'S SEE. I DO HAVE THREE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED. ACTUALLY NOW IT'S TWO. THE FIRST IS JULIE PIERCE. WOULD YOU PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF?

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: WELCOME JULIE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: I'LL JUMP NOT NEXT SPEAKER. ROLAND LEBRUN.

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SPEAKER: WHAT I WANT TO SAY IS THE LAST CONVERSATION I HAD, THAT WAS THE LAST DAY FOR BEING PART OF THE COMMISSION, AND WE WERE WALKING TOGETHER FROM EMBARCADERO AND SHE ASKED ME HOW -- [INDISCERNIBLE] TRANSPORTATION. ANYWAY, THE CONVERSATION SOMEHOW SHIFTED TO THE ROLE OF THE PREVIOUS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. AND I COMMENTED THAT SHE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN KEEPING THE [INDISCERNIBLE] UNDER CONTROL. AND SHE WAS TOTAL UNIMPRESSED. THANK YOU.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU ROLAND.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: NO ADDITION MEMBERS WITH THEIR HAND RAISED. AND THE IT LOOKS LIKE JULIE PIERCE HAS HER HAND DOWN.

AMY R. WORTH: JULIE CAN'T UNMUTE. SHE AND SCOTT ARE HAVING THE SAME PROBLEM OF UNMUTING.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: ACTUALLY WE HAVE PROMOTED JULIE PIERCE TO PANELIST. LET'S GIVE IT A SHOT. I CAN UNMUTE YOU ON THIS END. JULIE PIERCE?

JULIE PIERCE: YES. CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW?

SPEAKER: YES.

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ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: YES WE CAN.

JULIE PIERCE: WONDERFUL. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THERE WAS NO UNMUTE. SORRY THIS WEBINAR THING IS A DIFFERENT DEAL. YOU KNOW, I JUST FELT COMPELLED TO LOG IN TODAY, BECAUSE ANNE WAS THE EPITOME OF A DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVANT, AND A CONS MAT VOLUNTEER. READING HER OBIT THE OTHER DAY I REALIZED I HAD WORKED WITH AN FOR MANY YEARS. I DON'T KNOW HOW ONE WOMAN COULD POSSIBLY DO EVERYTHING THAT AN DID AND DO IT ALL SO INCREDIBLY WELL. SHE OFFERED A VERY WARM WELCOME TO ALL OF THE NEW MEMBERS AS THEY JOINED THE BAY AREA REGIONAL SPHERE. IT WAS AN INCREDIBLE HONOR TO SERVE WITH HER, AS YOU ALL KNOW. ANNE'S INFLUENCE WILL BE MISSED BY THE BAY AREA FAR BEYOND THOSE OF US WHO HAVE HAD THE HONOR TO KNOW HER PERSONALLY. HER GRACE, DIGNITY, HER QUIET STRENGTH, AND HER COMMITMENT TO SERVE AS A MODEL FOR ALL PUBLIC OFFICIALS. IF WE COULD ALL BEHAVE THE WAY THAT ANNE DID AND SERVE WITH SELFLESSNESS THIS WORLD WOULD BE BETTER PLACE.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I BELIEVE WE HAVE IDENTIFIED OUR FORMER CHAIR NOW.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: YES. AND I AM UNMUTING HIM ON THIS END, MR. CHAIR, FORMER CHAIR ARE YOU THERE?

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SCOTT HAGGERTY: THANK YOU KIMBERLY. CAN YOU HEAR ME.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: YES. WE CAN HEAR YOU.

SCOTT HAGGERTY: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR. YOU KNOW, WHEN I LEFT THE COMMISSION LAST MONTH, WITH A VERY WARM SEND OFF, I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE A WHILE BEFORE I COME BACK ON. AS YOU KNOW I'M BASICALLY AN EMOTIONAL MAN. AND THIS ONE HITS HARD. YOU KNOW, I LOVED ANNE. SHE HAD NO PROBLEM TELLING YOU WHEN YOU WERE WRONG. BUT SHE ALSO HAD NO PROBLEM TELLING YOU WHEN YOU DID SOMETHING RIGHT. SHE WAS JUST A WONDER INDIVIDUAL. I HAVE A STORY ABOUT HER THAT I HAVE DEBATED IF IT'S FUNNY OR NOT. BUT ONE TIME WE WERE IN DC, AND WE DOING LOBBYING, AND, YOU KNOW, WE HAD DINNER AND EVERYTHING, AND SOME PEOPLE WERE GOING BACK TO THEIR ROOMS. SO I STARTED HEADING TO MY ROOM, AND WENT INTO THE ELEVATOR, AND ANNE WAS THERE, AND WE WENT UP TO THE SAME FLOOR AND WERE WALKING DOWN THE HALLWAY AND ALL OF A SUDDEN ANNE TURNED AROUND AND SAID, ARE YOU FOLLOWING ME, AND I JUST SAID, OH, NO, ABSOLUTELY NOT. HERE IS MY ROOM. AND SHE WAS JUST A GREAT PERSON WITH A GREAT SENSE OF HUMOR. BUT, I LIKED LISTENING TO ANNE. WHEN ANNE SPOKE, I BELIEVE PEOPLE LISTENED. AND BECAUSE SHE WASN'T ONE THAT THOUGHT SHE HAD TO SPEAK ON EVERY ITEM. BUT SHE SPOKE WHEN IT WAS IMPORTANT. AND THAT'S WHAT I THINK MADE HER SO WONDERFUL AND EFFECTIVE IN THE WORK SHE DID AS A COMMISSIONER AND EVEN ON BCDC, ANNE,

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CERTAINLY, I USED TO CALL HER THE GRAND ANNE OF THE COMMISSION. BECAUSE SHE JUST SUCH STYLE AND SUCH GRACE AND SUCH CLASS. AND SHE WAS EVERYTHING, I GUESS I WISH I COULD BE. I WISH I WAS HER 180 FROM THE GRACE AND STYLE AND CLASS. SHE WILL BE MISSED IN MY LIFE AND IN THE COMMISSION'S LIFE. I REALLY APPLAUD YOU MR. CHAIR FOR TAKING THE TIME TODAY TO RECOGNIZE HER. BECAUSE IT'S TRULY DESERVING THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME O I APPRECIATE T.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU FORMER CHAIR HAGGERTY. YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME, AND VERY APPROPRIATE CLOSING FROM YOU. BEFORE WE MOVE ON I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE MOMENTS LIKE THIS IT SPEAKS SO MUCH ABOUT ANNE AND THIS COMMISSION AND THAT'S A GREAT REPRESENTATION OF WHAT THIS ORGANIZATION IS ABOUT. THANK YOU FOR INTERACT SUPPORTING PAUSING TO REFLECT AND ACKNOWLEDGE AN IMPORTANT PERSON. WE WILL MISS HER. WITH THAT WE'RE GOING MOVE ON TO OUR NEXT ITEM. 2A AD-HOC FINANCE AUTHORITY OVERSIGHT, THE ABILITY OF THIS COMMISSION TO TAKE ACTIONS ON AUTHORITY OF THE BAY AREA FINANCING AUTHORITY I AM ESTABLISHING AN AD-HOC OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE THIS COMMITTEE WOULD MEET CONGRUENTLY ON THE REGIONAL HOUSING PORTFOLIO. THE MEMBERS OF THIS COMMITTEE WILL SERVE ON A TEMPORARY BASIS. OUR PLAN IS TO BRING IT TO THE FULL BAHFA IN APRIL TO ESTABLISH THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE. THE AD-HOC WILL BE CHAIRED BY -- [INDISCERNIBLE] WITH AMY WORTH

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SERVING AS VICE CHAIR. ADDITIONAL MEMBERS ABE-KOGA, RABBIT, AND RONEN. AND I DO APPRECIATE THE LEADERSHIP ON THIS COMMISSION. THANK YOU TO MAYOR SCHAFF AND COMMISSIONER WORTH FOR STEPPING UP ON A VERY IMPORTANT ISSUE AND WORKING COLLECTIVELY AND CON -- WITH OUR FRIENDS ON ABAG. MAYOR SCHAFF, DO YOU HAVE SOME WORDS?

LIBBY SCHAFF: CHAIR PEDROZA I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITH AND DISAPPOINTMENT AS YOU KNOW I'M HAPPY TO ADDRESS ONE OF THE GREATEST CHALLENGES OF OUR TIME HOUSING INSECURITY WE KNOW IT THREATENS SO MUCH OF THE VITALITY OF THE BAY AREA, CALIFORNIA, AND THE NATION. AND I JUST WANT TO APPRECIATE THE PARTNERSHIP OF EVERY COMMISSIONER AND I JUST WANT TO, PLEASE, WELCOME EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU TO BE IN CONVERSATION WITH ME AND VICE CHAIR WORTH AS WE KIND OF STEWARD THIS AWESOME NEW TOOL THAT THE STATE LEGISLATURE HAS ENTRUSTED US W WE RECOGNIZE THAT ONE SIZE DOES NOT FIT ALL, THAT EACH COMMUNITY HAS A DIFFERENT PATH TO ACHIEVING HOUSING STABILITY FOR OUR RESIDENTS AND RECOGNIZING OUR MUTUAL OBLIGATION TO SECURELY AND HOUSE THE ENTIRE REGION AND THAT THIS IS AN INNER RELATED PROBLEM AND OBLIGATION. SO I JUST REALLY INVITE EVERYONE TO BE IN TOUCH WITH ME PERSONALLY AND DIRECTLY SO THAT WE MIGHT TAKE FULL ADVANTAGE OF THIS NEW POWERFUL FINANCING AUTHORITY THAT WE NOW HAVE AT OUR DISPOSAL AS A BAY AREA REGION. THANK YOU.

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ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU. COMMISSIONER WORTH DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS?

AMY R. WORTH: I WANT TO SAY HOW LUCKY WE ARE THAT MAYOR SCHAFF HAS AGREED TO CHAIR THIS COMMITTEE. AS WE WERE GOING THROUGH THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS WITH ASSEMBLY MEMBER CHU, IT WAS FIRST OF ALL A GREAT WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM AND OUR COMMISSION AND ABAG BUT I WANT TO TELL YOU ALL THAT MAYOR SCHAFF WAS THE NUMBER ONE CHEER LEADER IN MOVING THIS FORWARD, BRINGING PEOPLE TOGETHER HER ENTHUSIASM EMPOWERED EVERYONE TO SAY WE'RE GOING TO GET THIS DONE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I KNOW BEING A MAYOR OF A LARGE CITY YOU HAVE A LOT ON YOUR PLATE AND OBVIOUSLY THIS IS A HIGH PRIORITY FOR THE MAYOR AND WE'RE SO LUCKY SHE'S TAKING IT ON, AND I ECHO THE OPPORTUNITY OF THIS EFFORT IT'S AN IMPORTANT RESPONSIBILITY. I AM HONORED TO BE WORKING AS HER VICE CHAIR AND WORKING WITH EVERYONE TO MOVE THIS FORWARD. SO, THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR, FOR THE HONOR OF ALLOWING ME TO SERVE AS HER VICE CHAIR.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU VICE CHAIR WORTH. AND I THINK BOTH OF YOU ARE GOING TO MAKE A DYNAMIC DUO REPRESENTING TWO PERSPECTIVES THAT ARE SO CRITICAL. THE ONE THING I HAVE LEARNED FROM COMMISSIONER SPERING IS LEADERSHIP IS A VALID TIME, AND MAYOR SCHAFF THIS IS AN IMPORTANT TIME TO TAKE THIS FORWARD AND MOVE ON IN AN IMPORTANT WAY. THANK YOU.

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ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: COMMISSIONER RONEN?

DIR. HILLARY RONEN: THANK YOU. I ALSO WANT TO THANK YOU THE COMMISSIONERS FOR ASSIGN ME TO THIS COMMITTEE. I LOVE WORKING WITH THE ALL WOMEN LEADERSHIP OF THIS BODY. I THINK THAT'S VERY POWERFUL ABOUT THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE, AND WOMEN WHO OFTEN, YOU KNOW, MAKE THE HOME FOR OUR FAMILIES, AMONG MANY OTHER THINGS. [LAUGHTER] HAVING THIS GROUP LED BY WOMEN IS VERY POWERFUL. I APPRECIATE THE LEADERSHIP AND I AM EXCITED TO GET TO THE HARD WORK ON MAKING SURE WE'RE MEETING THE HOUSING NEEDS OF THIS REGION. THANK YOU.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER RONEN. COMMISSIONER SPERING?

JAMES P. SPERING: THANK YOU. CONGRATULATIONS MAYOR SCHAFF. FOR YOU COMMISSIONERS MAYOR SCHAFF SHE IS A GREAT CONSENSUS MAKER AND SHE REALLY UNDERSTANDS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE NINE BAY AREA COUNTIES AND I REALLY APPRECIATE HER LEADERSHIP AND WORKING WITH HER ADDRESSING SOME OF THE ISSUES OF SOLANO CAN'T IS MUCH DIFFERENT THAN OAKLAND AND SHE IS DETERMINED TO FIND THAT BALANCE AND I THINK SHE AND AMY ARE GOING TO DO A GREAT JOB AND I REALLY ENJOY WORKING WITH BOTH OF THEM. THANK YOU.

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ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU. COMMISSIONER RABBIT? THEN COMMISSIONER GLOVER.

DAVID RABBIT: I JUST WANT TO SAY HOW EXCITED I AM THANK YOU FOR APPOINTMENT ON THIS COMMITTEE. AS A PERSON WHO HAS INVOLVED IN DEVELOPMENT AND AS A COUNCILMEMBER AND CITY SUPERVISOR IN A COUNTY THAT ACTUALLY HAS LOST POPULATION IN A TIME WHEN THE BAY AREA HAS BEEN GROWING BECAUSE OF THE WILDFIRES WE HAVE EXPERIENCED IN ALL THE DIFFERENT HOUSING LOSSES THAT WE HAVE EXPERIENCED, I LOVED YOUR COMMENT, SEIZE THE OPPORTUNITY NOW IS THE TIME TO MAKE GENERATIONAL CHANGE. I HAVE A FIREFIGHTER RESOLUTION WHO WOULD LIKE TO STAY IN THE BAY AREA BUT THAT'S A CHALLENGE. I NURSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO STAY IN THE BAY AREA AND THAT'S A CHALLENGE. SO I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING WHAT WE CAN DO TOGETHER LOOK FORWARD TO LEADERSHIP OF MAYOR SCHAFF THANK YOU AS ALWAYS LOOK FORWARD TO THE APPOINTMENT. APPRECIATE IT.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: GLOVER?

FEDERAL D. GLOVER: I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE ON THIS COMMITTEE OF REALLY OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP GOING FORWARD. I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO SOME GREAT WORK THAT WE'LL BE ABLE TO DO IN THIS COMMITTEE. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR THE APPOINTMENT.

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ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER GLOVER. SEEING NO FURTHER HANDS RAISED. THANK YOU ALL FOR ACCEPTING THIS OPPORTUNITY AND MEETING THIS MOMENT HEAD ON. ALL RIGHT WE'RE GOING TO MOVE ON TO 2B NEW COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS. AT LAST COMMISSION'S MEETING I REQUESTED COMMISSION PREFERENCES BY MARCH 8TH. BASED ON THE RECEIVED WEDNESDAY MEET MEETINGS CONSISTING OF BATA OVERSIGHT CHAIRED BY AMY WORTH WITH MARGARET ABE-KOGA, VICE CHAIR ADMINISTRATIVE CHAIR GLOVER AND CHAVEZ VICE CHAIR. [INDISCERNIBLE] DAVE RABBIT AND [INDISCERNIBLE] VICE CHAIR. INCLUDING CHAVEZ EL-TAWANSY, PAPAN, RONEN AND WORK [INDISCERNIBLE] PLANNING OPERATIONS COMMITTEE WILL BE CHAIRED BY DUTRA-VERNACI AND CONNOLY AS VICE CHAIR AND JOINT MTC/ABAG LEGISLATION COMMITTEE TO BE CHAIRED BY JESSE ARREQUIN ABAG WITH SAM LICCARDO VICE CHAIR. FIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS COMMISSIONER AHN, CANEPA CONNOLY LICCARDO SCHAFF, AND SONOMA COUNTY HASN'T BEEN IDENTIFIED YET BAY AREA CHAVEZ WORTH, AND MEGA REGION MILEY SPERING AND WORTH. I WANT TO THANK YOU ALL FOR BEING FLEXIBLE AND TRYING TO MEET EVERYONE'S PREFERENCES. IT'S NOT ALWAYS EASY BUT SOME OF YOU WERE FLEXIBLE WHEN WE MADE THOSE CALLS AND IT'S REALLY LOOKING AT EQUITY. IT'S LOOKING AT GEOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY LOOKING AT REPRESENTATION BIG AND SMALL TRYING TO IDENTIFY ALL YOUR PASSION AND MELD INTO COMMITTEES THAT PRODUCE THE MEANINGFUL WORK THAT ROLLS UP TO MTC COMMISSION. BUT I REALLY THINK MANY

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OF YOU CALLED AND I REALLY APPRECIATE THE PASSION THAT EVERY SINGLE ONE OF YOU ARE BRINGS TO THESE COMMITTEES AND THE WORKLOAD THAT GOES O WE OFTEN TALK ABOUT OUTCOMES BUT THERE IS SO MUCH WORK THAT GOES INTO PRODUCING THESE OUTCOMES AND TO ALL THE COMMITTEES AND ALL THE CHAIRS AND VICE CHAIRS THANK YOU FOR STEPPING UP. THIS IS AN INCREDIBLE MOMENT FOR THE BAY AREA AND IT'S OUR LEADERSHIP THAT'S GOING TO TRANSFORM OUR REGION EVEN MORE. WITH THAT, DO I HAVE A MOTION AND SECOND TO APPROVE THE COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS?

FEDERAL D. GLOVER: MOVE APPROVAL.

SAM LICCARDO: SECOND LICCARDO.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: MOVED BY GLOVER SECOND BY LICCARDO. ANY COMMISSIONER COMMENT? SEEING NONE. YOU ARE ALL SATISFIED CLEARLY. I'LL ASK KIMBERLY DO WE HAVE ANY PUBLIC COMMENT ASSOCIATED WITH THIS ITEM?

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

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I WANT TO THANK VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ FOR HIS SUPPORT. WE TALKED ABOUT THESE ASSIGNMENTS

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AND SO NICK APPRECIATE YOUR PARTNERSHIP ON THAT. SEEING NO FURTHER COMMENTS OR RAISED HANDS FROM THE PUBLIC, WE CAN DO THE ROLL CALL, PLEASE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: [ROLL CALL VOTE] THANK YOU. THE MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU TO ALL THE COMMISSIONERS WHO ACCEPTED THE CHALLENGE AND WHAT LIES AHEAD IN THE BAY AREA IN THE BAY AREA. WE HAD SOME DISCUSSIONS ABOUT THE ORDER OF COMMITTEES WE ARE GOING TO BE MOVING THE MTC COMMISSION MEETING AS THE FIRST MEETING THAT HAPPENS FOLLOWING THE OTHERS GOING FORWARD IT'S HARD TO PLAN WHEN THE MTC MEETING WILL OCCUR THAT'S GOING TO BE MOVING FORWARD FIRST ONE FOLLOWED BY ALL THE OTHER AUTHORITIES. SO JUST WANT TO CLARIFY THAT.

SAM LICCARDO: THANK YOU MR. CHAIR.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: YOU'RE WELCOME COMMISSIONER LICCARDO. WE'RE GOING TO MOVE ON TO ITEM 2C TO CONCLUDE THE CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT. THANK YOU FOR HANGING WITH ME. NEXT ITEM IS AN MTC RESOLUTION 4460. IT'S A WISTFUL ONE FOR THE COMMISSION AND STAFF AND I IMAGINE IS A CAUSE FOR CELEBRATION FOR PEG YAMADA WHO WILL BE RETIRING IN APRIL AFTER 24 YEARS OF SERVICE AT MTC, INCREDIBLE. IT'S MY PRIVILEGE TO PRESENT ITEM

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4460 RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION. NUMBER 4460 TO PEG TO HONOR CAREER AND INFLUENCE ON BOTH STAFF AND COMMISSION. I WILL SHARE A FEW RESOLUTION HIGHLIGHTS AND ENSURE PEG A FRAMED COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION WILL BE DELIVERED TO HER HOME. WHEREAS PEG IS RETIRING FROM MTC AFTER 44 YEARS OF DEDICATED DISTINGUISHED DUTY. SHE HAS BEEN TIP TOP AS SHE EMERGED HERSELF IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND UPDATING OF TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM. WHEREAS BY ACCURACY, ATTENTION TO DETAIL AND HER RIGOROUS [INDISCERNIBLE] NEVER CEASE NEW OPPORTUNITY FOR EFFICIENCY PEG'S ENSURED ALL COMMISSIONERS RECEIVE RESOLUTIONS LIKE THIS ONE THAT WERE CORRECT AND COMPLETE AND KEPT THE PROGRAM SECTION ON TRACK, PREVENTED BUREAUCRATIC DETOURS -- PEG WE NEED TO TALK. I WANT TO KNOW HOW YOU DID THAT -- AND ENSURED ON TIME ARRIVAL. WHEREAS PEG'S FESTIVE EMBRACE OF THE WINTER HOLIDAYS AND HER DECOR IN HER OFFICE SEASONAL DECORATIONS, BUT ALSO BY HER CHOICE TO VACATION EACH YEAR AT HER BROTHER'S FARMS WHERE SHE VOLUNTEERED TO RAISE HORSES, SO THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVE STAFF AND COMMISSION HONOR PEG'S OUTSTANDING SERVICE FOR HER COLLEAGUES AND HER WORK TO SUPPORT THE COMMISSION. TO PAY TRIBUTE TO GRACE AND HUMOR AND WARM WISHES, FOR MANY GOOD BOOKS, CHOCOLATE, FRIENDSHIP, FUN, AND FULFILLING ADVENTURES. PEG, DO YOU HAVE ANY PARTING WORDS FOR US?

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SPEAKER: YES I DO. I HAVE BEEN THE KIND OF PERSON WHO PREFERS TO FLY BELOW THE RADAR.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: NOT TODAY.

SPEAKER: CAN YOU HEAR ME?

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: NOT TODAY. NOT FLYING UNDER THE RADAR TODAY.

SPEAKER: THAT'S TRUE. HOPEFULLY YOU CAN FORGIVE ME. I'M GOING TO READ MY SPONSOR I KNOW I WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO GET IT OUT. IT'S REALLY HARD TO EXPRESS HOW TOUCHED AND TRULY HUMBLED I AM BY THIS RECOGNITION. IT'S EMBLEMATIC OF MY WHOLE EXPERIENCE AT MTC ONE DURING WHICH I HAVE CONSISTENTLY RECEIVED APPRECIATION FOR MY EFFORTS. I KNOW I'M A REALLY SMALL COG IN THIS MTC COMPLETELY BUT I HAVE ALWAYS BEEN MADE TO FEEL A VALUABLE PART OF IT THAT SAYS A LOT FOR THE CALIBER OF MTC STAFF BOTH SUPPORT STAFF AND EXECUTIVE STAFF. I HAVE BEEN PARTICULARLY BLESSED BY A SERIES OF WONDERFUL BOSSES, EVERY SINCE THE MID-1990S STARTING WITH THERESE MCMILLAN, WHEN SHE WAS MADE THE MANAGER OF THE NEWLY FORMED FUNDING AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS SECTION. AND SHE SCOOPED ME UP INTO HER SECTION ON A THREE DAY A WEEK BASIS. SO THE SECTION NAME HAS CHANGED OVER TIME, BUT THE CALIBER OF SECTION LEADERS HAS REALLY CONTINUED TO BE JUST

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REMARKABLE. ALIX BOCKELMAN, DIANE STEINHAUSER, ANNE RICHMAN AND MOST RECENTLY THERESA ROMMEL. AS FOR MTC FAMILY IN GENERAL, I COULDN'T HAVE ASKED FOR A BETTER GROUP OF PEOPLE TO WORK WITH THROUGHOUT THE YEARS. I'LL ARE FOREVER GRATEFUL. THANK YOU.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: WE'RE GOING TO BE FOREVER GRATEFUL FOR YOU, YOU'RE ONE OF THOSE WONDERFUL PEOPLE THAT INCLUDE PEOPLE LIKE YOU. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YOU DESERVE WHAT'S NEXT.

SPEAKER: THANK YOU.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: I DO SEE OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR THERESE MCMILLAN HAS A FEW WORDS. THERESE, GO AHEAD.

THERESE MCMILLAN: PEG IT IS SUCH AN HONOR TO BE ABLE TO GIVE YOU THE TRIBUTES YOU DESERVE. ONE OF THE GREAT THINGS COMING BACK WAS BEING ABLE TO HAVE JUST A MOMENT TO WORK WITH YOU AGAIN. AND JUST TO GIVE YOU A SENSE OF PEG'S EMPATHY AND COMPASSION, I REMEMBER, FOR MY BIRTHDAY, ONCE, SHE MADE ME LUNCH FOR, LIKE, A MONTH, BECAUSE SHE ALWAYS SAW THEY WAS RUNNING AROUND AND GRABBING NACHOS OR SOME HORRIBLE THING TO EAT ON THE FLY. AND SO, YOU KNOW, I'LL JUST NEVER FORGET HOW THOUGHTFUL AND HOW PERFECT HER WORK AND HER FRIENDSHIP WERE TO

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ME AND TO EVERYONE ELSE SHE TOUCHED. SO THANK YOU PEG. AND I WISH YOU ONLY THE GREATEST HAPPINESS IN YOUR RETIREMENT.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU THERESE. AND, PEG, I KNOW YOU WANTED TO FLY UNDER THE RADAR BUT AGAIN YOU DESERVE ALL THE WORDS THAT WERE PART OF THIS RESOLUTION AGAIN THEY WEREN'T JUST WORDS THERE WAS MEANING BEHIND THAT. I STILL WANT TO KNOW ABOUT HOW YOU PREVENTED THOSE BUREAUCRATIC TOURS. SO I'LL FOLLOW UP WITH YOU ON THAT. BUT AT THIS MOMENT, WE UNFORTUNATELY DO HAVE TO ACCEPT THIS RESOLUTION, PEG, BUT, AGAIN, BEST WISHES ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE COMMISSION. SO DO WE HAVE A MOTION TO APPROVE MTC RESOLUTION NUMBER 4460?

AMY R. WORTH: SO MOVED.

GINA PAPAN: PAPAN SECOND.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: FIRST BY WORTH SECOND BY PAPAN. KIMBERLY DID WE RECEIVE ANY PUBLIC COMMENT FOR THIS ITEM?

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

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. UNFORTUNATE ROLL CALL.

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CLERK OF THE BOARD: WITH A MOTION BY WORTH. SECOND BY PAPAN. [ROLL CALL VOTE] UNFORTUNATELY THE MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY. THANK YOU PEG.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: WELL DID PEG. ENJOY WHAT'S NEXT. I WISH YOU THE BEST FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY. NEXT ITEM THREE POLICY ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORT. RANDI KINMAN.

RANDI KINMAN: THANK YOU CHAIR PEDROZA I WANT TO START OFF BY THANKING STAFF FOR SETTING UP OUR SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THE REST OF THE YEAR AS YOU KNOW OUR SCHEDULES FOR THE SUBCOMMITTEE HAD A DIFFICULT TIME WHEN WE SHUT DOWN A YEAR AGO BECAUSE INFRASTRUCTURE CAN ONLY RUN ONE PUBLIC MEETING AT A TIME WHEN WE WERE RUNNING REMOTELY. HAVING A SET SCHEDULE ALLOWS VOLUNTEERS AND STAFF TO PLAN APPROPRIATELY. STARTING THIS MONTH WITH THE SUBCOMMITTEES, THE EQUITY AND ACCESS SUBCOMMITTEE MET MARCH 1ST. THE PRIMARY COMPONENT OF THE MEETING WAS THE EQUITY ANALYSIS FOR PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 AND THE ONGOING DISCUSSION IS HOW OR WHETHER WE SHOULD CHANGE THE METRICS WE CURRENTLY USE AS -- SUCH AS HIGH NUMBERS OF LOW INCOME COMMUNITIES OF COLOR, SENIORS, ET CETERA, TO CREATE GOALS IN SITE SPECIFIC CENSUS TRACKS. 50% OF OUR POPULATION WHO MEET THESE METRICS ARE SCATTERED THROUGHOUT THE REGION AND NOT IN SPECIFIC CENSUS TRACTS. THE DISCUSSION NOW IS DO WE

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CHANGE METRICS? IF SO HOW? IF SO HOW DO WE SET THE BENCHMARKS? THE FARE INTEGRATION SUBCOMMITTEE MET MARCH 12TH TO DISCUSS THE BUSINESS CASE STUDY FOR THE PROJECT CONSIDERING FARES OPTIONS BASED AND DEVELOPMENT OF ALTERNATIVES THE COMMITTEE WILL NEED TO ADD EXTRA MEETINGS TO ALLOW THEM TO FEED INTO THE FARE INTEGRATION TASK FORCE WHICH WILL FEED INTO THE BLUE RIBBON TASK FORCE. THE POLICY ADVISORY COUNCIL MET MARCH 10TH TO REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS WE HAD LENGTHY DISCUSSION ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PLANNED BAY AREA 2050. BECAUSE I ATTEND ALL THESE MEETINGS THERE WERE THREE LINES IN THE DISCUSSION THAT BOILED DOWN TO WHO IS GOING TO HAND THEM PROBLEM. AND THAT CAME TO IN SEVERAL AREAS FOR INSTANCE THE IMPLEMENTATION PHASE OF PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 CALLS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT PRESERVATION AND REHABILITATION OF PARKLAND. DURING THE PANDEMIC WE HAVE SEEN THE ACCESS TO OPEN SPACES A NECESSITY BUT ACCESS AS A LOCAL JURISDICTIONAL PROBLEM AND THERE IS NO EQUITY MEASUREMENT WE HAVE ENTITIES THAT OWN REGIONAL HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION GOALS THERE IS NO PETITION FOR OPEN SPACE PARKS OR MAINTENANCE WHO WILL HELP REGIONAL GOALS THAT HELP FEED LOCAL GOALS BUT ALSO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE FUNDING SYSTEM THIS IMPACTS OUR ABILITY TO DEVELOP MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL TRAIL SYSTEMS ANOTHER EXAMPLE TO TIE IN BETWEEN TRANSIT AND OUR LOW INCOME RESIDENTS WHO ARE NOT WORKING 9 TO 5 JOBS. AS AN EXAMPLE, OUR REGION DEPENDING ON LOW WAGE HOSPITALITY WORKER WHO CANNOT AFFORD TO LIVE NEAR THEIR JOBS

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WHETHER AT WINERIES CONVENTION CENTERS HOTELS ARE GREAT AT PICKING UP PAYING GUESTS AT AIRPORTS [INDISCERNIBLE] EACH TRANSIT AGENCY IN EACH JURISDICTION DOES THEIR PART LOCALLY BUT THE COORDINATION OF HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION BETWEEN JURISDICTIONS WILL BE AN EVER GROWING PROBLEM. NEXT MONTH ALONG WITH EVERYTHING ELSE WE WILL BE REVIEWING THE LEGISLATIVE ISSUES ON YOUR AGENDA TODAY TIMING DID NOT ALLOW FOR US TO PREVIEW OR COMMENT IN ADVANCE. ON YOUR AGENDA TODAY IS CONFIRMATION OF AN APPOINTMENT TO OUR BODY WHILE THIS LEAVES US STILL SHORT REPRESENTATIVES FROM SAN FRANCISCO AND SAN MATEO, I WANT TO THANK THE COMMISSION FOR CONTINUING TO SUNDAY DEDICATED INFORMED PEOPLE AND KEEPING OUR BOARD FULL WAS REALLY SMART, FOLKS. AND THAT ENDS MY REPORT.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU RANDI FOR THE DETAILS REPORT. SEEING NO QUESTIONS FROM COMMISSIONERS. RANDI, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE'RE GOING TO MOVE ON TO AGENDA ITEM FOUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORTS TURNING IT OVER TO THERESE MCMILLAN.

THERESE MCMILLAN: THANK YOU CHAIR PEDROZA JUST LET ME START WITH THE WORDS THAT ARE ALWAYS INADEQUATE. ANNE HALSTED WAS MY FRIEND ONE OF MY STRONGEST CHAMPIONS AND HER SUPPORT WAS UN-85 CAL. AND WE'RE MOVING FORWARD FROM GRIEF TO EVERLASTING GRATITUDE THAT SHE DID FOR US. AND I WILL FOCUS ON THE LAST

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FORM OF MY REPORT APOLOGIES IT WAS GIVEN TO YOU LATE LAST NIGHT OR TODAY. I URGE YOU TO TAKE THE TIME TO TAKE A LOOK AT IT. IN PARTICULAR, BECAUSE WHAT I HAVE INCLUDED IS MY PERSPECTIVE ON THE TOP FIVE FOCUS AREAS FOR 2021. AND THE REASON I DID THAT WAS THE INCOMING NEW COMMISSION LEADERSHIP AND THE COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS THAT I'M REALLY EAGER TO WORK WITH ALL OF YOU IN THE SEATS OF INFLUENCE AND ADVICE THAT YOU WILL BE GIVING US, YOU KNOW, ALSO PROVIDED ME AN OPPORTUNITY AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO LOOK BACK OVER WHAT CAN ONLY BE DESCRIBED AS AN EXTRAORDINARY YEAR. AND LOOK FORWARD WITH AN EYE NOT ONLY TO MANAGING THIS SWEEPING, AND I HAVE TO SAY DAUNTING PORTFOLIO OF THIS AGENCY, BUT AMONG EVERYTHING THAT WE'RE DOING, TO TRY TO SPOTLIGHT A FEW KEY AREAS, FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, RISE TO THE TOP OF OUR LEADERSHIP AGENDA. AND IN PARTICULAR, THIS LIST, AND IN ATTACHMENT TO YOUR REPORT, REFLECTS MY CHARGE TO LEAD A COMBINED STAFF SERVING BOTH MTC AND ABAG, AND THE COMMITMENT OF CHAIR PEDROZA AND PRESIDENT JESSE ARREQUIN TO GOVERN TO THE BENEFIT OF OUR SHARED CONSTITUENTS WHICH IS EVERYONE WHO LIVES IN THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA. VERY TOP LINE, JUST TO GIVE YOU A SENSE OF THE FIVE AREAS. THE FIRST IS, YOU KNOW, LEADING THE BAY AREA THROUGH THE TRANSPORTATION PANDEMIC RECOVERY. IT'S NOT DONE YET. AND IT IS GOING TO BE SHAPING WHAT WE HAVE GOING FORWARD. THERE IS CRITICAL THINGS THAT WE HAVE ALREADY ADVANCED IN TERMS OF REBUILDING -- OR FISCAL STABILIZATION CLEARLY WHICH IS A

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NECESSITY PARTICULARLY FOR OUR TRANSIT OPERATORS, BUT ALSO THE WORK COMMISSIONER AMY WORTH HAS BEEN LEADING WITH THAT AND SHE GAVE YOU A SENSE OF THAT TODAY. BUT THAT WOULD BE FOLLOWED BY SYSTEM REBUILDING, AND THAT'S A HUGE OPPORTUNITY. I MEAN, COVID IS A TRAGEDY ON MANY LEVELS BUT IT HAS PRESENTED THIS SILVER LINING OF THE ABILITY TO MOBILIZE AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF CHANGE. THE WORK THAT COMMISSIONER SPERING HAS BEEN LEADING AT THE BLUE RIBBON TASK FORCE IS CLEARLY ONE OF THOSE A LOT OF WORK IN THAT REGARD. BUT ALSO READYING OURSELVES FOR ADVOCACY AND TAKING ADVANTAGE OF STIMULUS FUNDING THAT WE BELIEVE WILL BE COMING FROM THE NEW BIDEN HARRIS ADMINISTRATION FOR BOTH HIGHWAY AND CAPITAL TRANSIT PROJECTS. OUR EXPRESS LANE I BELIEVE IS ANOTHER AREA WHERE THE DEVELOPMENT COORDINATION EPITOMIZED BY THE STRATEGIC PLAN THAT WE HAVE BEEN WORKING ON THAT WE'RE NOW GOING TO HAVE TO PUT ON THE GROUND AS ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF ADVANCING A NEW WAY OF DOING THINGS. AND THEN FINALLY I THINK WE NEED TO KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR WHEN WE RESET FOR A NEW GENERATION OF REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION REVENUE MEASURES. THE ECONOMY WILL COME BACK AT SOME POINT. AND WE NEED TO BE THINKING AHEAD AS TO HOW THAT MIGHT FIT INTO OUR WORK. THE SECOND AREA THAT COMMISSIONER LIBBY SCHAAF POINTED OUT CONTINUING TO TACKLE THE HOUSING CHALLENGE. THIS IS EVERYTHING FROM URGENT SUPPORT AT THE STATE AND FEDERAL LEVEL ON MANY LEVELS. ROOTING OUR REGIONAL HOUSING PORTFOLIO. THIS IS CRITICAL WORK THAT WE HAVE BEEN -- THAT ABAG HAS BEEN

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LEADING, BUT AS WE POINTED OUT, THE NEW BAHFA OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE WILL BE HELPING TO ADVANCE THAT. THIS INCLUDES A REQUEST TO HAVE $18.5 MILLION COME PERHAPS FROM THE STATE BUDGET TO HELPING US TO GET LAUNCHING THE REGIONAL HOUSING PORTFOLIO OFF THE GROUND. ALSO INCLUDED THIS IS IMPORTANT TO PRESIDENT JESSE ARREQUIN, IS WHAT CAN WE DO IN THE REGION OF HOMELESSNESS WHICH IS AFFECTING EVERY SINGLE COUNTY IN THIS REGION. AND IT'S SOMETHING THAT WE NEED TO THINK THROUGH IN TERMS OF PARTNERING EFFORTS THERE. ON THE THIRD AREA, WRAPPING UP PLANNED BAY AREA 2050. I WILL SIMPLY SAY THAT THAT PLAN HAS PROVED TIME AND AGAIN TO BE A GUIDING LIGHT TO WHERE WE HAVE TO GO IN, ON EVERY SINGLE LEVEL OF TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING, ENVIRONMENT, AND THE ECONOMY. THE WORK WE'RE DOING WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN WILL BE A FOCAL POINT FOR OUR 2021, AND WE'LL PROVE THAT THIS WILL NOT BE JUST SOMETHING THAT SITS ON A SHELF, BUT MOTIVATES REAL CHANGE. THE FOURTH AREA IS -- AND WE HAVE BEEN HEARING ABOUT THIS, IS DRILLING DOWN ON PROJECT DELIVERY, AND PARTICULARLY, THE BIG PROJECTS. THE THREE BIG ONES AT THE REGIONAL LEVEL, CLIPPER TWO, ALL ELECTRIC TOLLING, AND THE PREPARATION FOR OPEN ROAD TOLLING. AND BRIDGE REHABILITATION. WE HAVE GOT TO FOCUS ON DELIVERING EFFECTIVELY AND EFFICIENTLY ON ALL OF THOSE AREAS. BECAUSE OUR INFRASTRUCTURE IS REALLY THE SKELETON UPON WHICH MOBILITY IS BUILT. BUT IN ADDITION THAT, WE HAVE KEY PARTNERSHIPS WITH LOCALLY SPONSORED PROJECTS AND THIS IS WHERE, YOU KNOW,

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CONTINUED WORK WITH CALTRANS, WITH OUR COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITIES AND THE LIKE, WILL BE REALLY ESSENTIAL. AND I'M COMMITTED TO WORKING CLOSELY WITH MY PEER COLLEAGUES IN THIS AREA. THE DOWNTOWN EXTENSION IN SAN FRANCISCO, DIRIDON STATION, CALTRAIN ELECTRIFICATION, HIGHWAY 37, ARE EXAMPLES ARE WHERE CONTINUED FOCUS WORK ON DELIVERING FOR THE PUBLIC FOR THESE MEGA PROJECT IS ESSENTIAL. I'LL END WITH THE FIFTH AREA AND THIS IS A NEW JOINT MTC/ABAG PROPOSED INITIATIVE. WHICH WOULD BE REGIONAL GOVERNMENTAL PARTNERSHIP FOR LOCAL ECONOMIC RECOVERY AND REBOUND. IN ADDITION THE AREAS THAT I HAVE HIGHLIGHTED ABOVE, THE COVID IMPACTS ON THE HEALTH AND RESILIENCE OF THE BAY AREA ECONOMY WILL DIRECTLY IMPACT THE SECTORAL HEALTH OF TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING. THEY ARE INEXTRICABLY LINKED AND WHAT VALUABLE ROLE MIGHT MTC PLAY IN THIS SPACE? THERE IS CLEARLY AN AREA WHERE WE HAVE ALWAYS LED WHICH IS DEPLOYING OUR EXISTING TRANSPORTATION LAND USE AND HOUSING AUTHORITIES TO ASSIST IN AN AREA OF OUR STRENGTH, WHICH IS INFRASTRUCTURE DELIVERY, AS LOCAL STIMULUS, BOTH IN TRADITIONAL WAYS BUT ALSO IN EMERGING WAYS. THERE IS A LOT OF CONVERSATION ABOUT BROADBAND AND HOW THAT MIGHT COME TO THE FORE. BUT BEYOND THAT, IS THERE SOMETHING MORE THAT WE CAN DO? AND I HAVE SPOKEN WITH CHAIR PEDROZA AND VICE PRESIDENT ARREGUIN AND IN FACT THEIR IDEA OF A LISTENING TOUR OF SORTS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND OUR PRIVATE SECTOR PARTNERS TO GET A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE DEPTH AND NATURE OF ECONOMIC

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CHALLENGES AND POSSIBLY WHAT THE REGION MIGHT BRING FORWARD TO HELP ADVANCE SOME RESPONSES TO GET BACK ON TRACK. AND I WOULD END THAT THERE IS A CLEAR AND STEADY EYE ON THE EQUITY CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES IN THIS SPACE, IN PARTICULAR, THAT WE NOT FORGET THAT THE ECONOMIC HARDSHIPS LAND MOST HEAVILY ON OUR MOST VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES AND AT EVERY TURN WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO REMIND OURSELVES OF HOW THAT ECONOMIC RECOVERY WILL NOT LEAVE THEM BEHIND. SO WITH THAT, HOPE THAT INSPIRES YOU TO THINK OF SOME, YOU KNOW, WORK WE'LL DO TOGETHER IN THIS SPACE. IT DOESN'T MEAN THAT THE REST OF THE OUR PORTFOLIO ISN'T EQUALLY IMPORTANT. BUT THESE ARE THE TOP FIVE, IN MY VIEW, THAT'S GOING TO BE DRIVING A LOT OF OUR WORK IN THE ENSUING MONTHS. SO THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME THE TIME TO SHARE THAT. AND WE WILL BE BRINGING FORWARD REPORTS ON A REGULAR BASIS TO YOU. THANKS.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH THERESE. A VERY DETAILED REPORT. WE HAVE COMMISSIONER COMMENTS. COMMISSIONER LICCARDO? ALL RIGHT. MAYBE THAT'S NOT HIS HAND.

SAM LICCARDO: THANK YOU. MY APOLOGIES. I WAS HAVING PROBLEMS WITH THE MUTE. THERESE REALLY APPRECIATE YOU SHARING AND GIVING US SOME INSIGHT INTO THE PRIORITIES YOU HAVE IDENTIFIED. I WANT TO SPEAK TO THE FIFTH PRIORITY RELATING TO THIS REGIONAL, I BELIEVE YOU'RE CALLING IT -- I'M SORRY --

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REGIONAL GOVERNMENTAL PARTNERSHIP FOR LOCAL ECONOMIC REBOUND. I KNOW THAT -- I SUSPECT LIBBY I KNOW HAS HAD THESE CONVERSATIONS WITH THE SAN FRANCISCO FOUNDATION AND SILICON VALLEY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION. I KNOW THERE ARE OTHERS INVOLVED IN TRYING TO CONVENE, SEVERAL MAYORS TO BE TALKING ABOUT WITH THE VARIOUS REBOUND ECONOMIC RECOVERY PLANS THAT WE HAVE PUT TOGETHER IN OUR OWN SUBREGIONS, AND IDENTIFYING WHAT'S COMMON AMONG THEM AND SEEING HOW WE CAN ALL PUSH TOGETHER. AND I WOULD ENCOURAGE MAYBE SOME CONVERSATION FROM THE SAN FRANCISCO FOUNDATION, I SUSPECT, WILL BE A FRUITFUL SYNERGY. ANYWAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU. COMMISSIONER LICCARDO. ANY OTHER COMMISSIONER WISHING TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM? VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ?

COM. NICK JOSEFOWITZ: THANK YOU THERESE FOR LAYING THIS OUT SO CLEARLY. I THINK THAT'S REALLY HELPFUL. I HAVE ONE SMALL COMMENT AND MAYBE A QUESTION. ON 4B I WOULD JUST SAY ANOTHER CHANGE IS GETTING HIGH SPEED RAIL TO THE REGION. WHICH MAYBE DESERVES A CALL OUT, AS PART OF THE MEGA PROJECTS THAT ARE MAYBE STRUGGLING, THAT WOULD HAVE A BIG IMPACT ON OUR REGION. AND THEN, YOU KNOW, ITEM 3B TALKS ABOUT AN SB 375 REFORM EFFORT. I'M NOT SURE WHAT THAT IS. AND THAT SEEMS LIKE

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SOMETHING WHICH, IF WE ARE GOING TO BE TRYING TO LEAD, IS, WOULD BE VERY CONSEQUENTIAL. HAVE I MISSED THAT? LIKE, WHAT'S?

THERESE MCMILLAN: THAT IS INCLUDED IN OUR LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM FOR 2021. AND WHAT, YOU KNOW, THE REASON IT SURRENDER PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 IS THAT, AS YOU ALL RECALL, GETTING TO OUR GREENHOUSE GAS REDUCTION TARGET WAS A HUGE LIFT. AND IT SIMPLY UNDERSCORED THAT THE SYNERGIES BETWEEN AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND WHERE WE PUT IT, CONGESTED IN HOW WE DO IT, HOW WE MANAGE OUR TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM AND HOW ALL THAT IS DRIVEN BY ECONOMIC FORCES OUT OF OUR CONTROL, REALLY, YOU KNOW, HAS JUST SHOWN A SPOTLIGHT ON THE FACT THAT IF WE DON'T HAVE THOSE POLICIES INTEGRATED AND INCLUDING AT THE STATE LEVEL, IT'S REALLY HARD. AND SO THAT WAS REALLY THE BASIS, AND AGAIN, AS -- YOU KNOW, WE CAN REFRESH ON THE WORK WE PUT FORWARD, IN OUR LEGISLATIVE PROGRAMS, SIMPLY TO SAY THAT WE WANT TO WORK WITH OUR STATE PARTNER, NOT TO SAY THAT GREENHOUSE GAS REDUCTION ISN'T IMPORTANT, OF COURSE IT IS. BUT THAT HOW WE GET THERE, PROBABLY NEEDS A REFRESH TEN YEARS AFTER SB 375 WAS PASSED. AND I WOULD SAY THAT EVERY OTHER REGION IN THE STATE, MY COLLEAGUES AT SACOG, AND SANDAG, AND SCAG AND THE LIKE ALL NEED TO TAKE A FRESH LOOK HOW TO BE BETTER PARTNERS BOTH AT THE STATE LEVEL AS WELL AS IN OUR RESPECTIVE REGIONS.

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COM. NICK JOSEFOWITZ: I HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH SORT OF REFORM, BUT I THINK, YOU KNOW, MY READING OF IT AND MAYBE I'M WRONG, WAS THAT WE WERE GOING TO HAVE A -- THAT WHAT WAS -- THAT -- ANYWAY, I'LL FOLLOW UP WITH YOU SEPARATELY ABOUT THIS. BUT I WOULD BE REALLY CONCERNED IF THIS COMMISSION WAS LEADING THE CHARGE TO REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS TARGETS OR TO TRY AND KIND OF LIKE, YOU KNOW, SORT OF, DO ANYTHING THAT WOULD UNDERMINE THE STATE AN ABLE TO KIND OF MEET OUR COLLECTIVE GREENHOUSE REDUCTION GOALS.

THERESE MCMILLAN: THAT'S DEFINITELY NOT THE INTENT IS THAT WAS CLEAR IN OUR LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM. THAT IT WAS ABOUT HOW WE GET THERE, NOT THAT THE TARGETS THEMSELVES NEED TO BE DISPENSED WITH.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ. COMMISSIONER PAPAN?

GINA PAPAN: THANK YOU CHAIR PEDROZA AND SINCE VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ BROUGHT IT UP. I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU THERESA AND CHAIR PEDROZA, THE HIGH SPEED RAIL ISSUE AND SOME OF THE CALTRAIN ISSUES, OUR FRIENDS FROM THE NORTH AND SOUTH ARE FINE TO DO, BUT WE STILL HAVE IN ISSUES IN BETWEEN. WHICH ARE SIGNIFICANT, THAT WE HOPE TO WORK THROUGH. BECAUSE WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THIS WORKS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE ENTIRE REGION.

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AND SO WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU ON THAT SO WE CAN KEEP THINGS MOVING. THANK YOU.

THERESE MCMILLAN: ABSOLUTELY AGREE.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT THANK YOU COMMISSIONER PAPAN. SEEING NO OTHER COMMISSIONERS HAVE ANY QUESTIONS THIS WAS A REPORT-OUT INFORMATIONAL ITEM. AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH ALWAYS ADDRESS THIS DURING PUBLIC COMMENT AT THE RIGHT TIME. SO WITH THAT AGENDA ITEM FIVE, COMMISSIONER COMMENTS. SEEING IF ANY OF MY COLLEAGUES HAVE COMMENTS AT THIS TIME? SEEING NONE. MOVING TO CONSENT CALENDAR. WE HAVE A FEW ITEMS ON OUR CONSENT CALENDAR. I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION AND A SECOND.

GINA PAPAN: PAPAN MOVE CONSENT.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT FIRST BY PAPAN.

CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: I'LL SECOND IT. DUTRA-VERNACI.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: SECOND, DUTRA-VERNACI. KIMBERLY DID WE RECEIVE ANY PUBLIC COMMENT ASSOCIATED WITH THIS ITEM?

FEDERAL D. GLOVER: YOU'RE MUTED.

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CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. I HAVE RECEIVED NO WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENT FOR THIS ITEM AND THERE IS ONE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED. WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO CALL ON THEM NOW? THAT WOULD BE KEN BUKOWSKI. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES.

SPEAKER: IT'S NOT ON THIS ITEM I'LL WAIT UNTIL LATER.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. NO ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: FIRST BY PAPAN SECOND BY DUTRA-VERNACI. ROLL CALL VOTE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: [ROLL CALL VOTE] THANK YOU MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: I SEE COMMISSIONER SCHAFF HAS HER HAND RAISED. SO WHETHER -- LET'S JUST TRY TO IDENTIFY WHERE SHE'S AT. ALL RIGHT.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: YES I'M GOING TO -- I HAVE JUST PROMOTED COMMISSIONER SCHAFF BACK TO A PANELIST. COMMISSIONER SCHAFF?

LIBBY SCHAFF: JUST TRYING TO SAY AYE.

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ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: PROGRAMMING AND ALLOCATIONS. JOSEFOWITZ FILLING IN.

COM. NICK JOSEFOWITZ: THANK YOU. MY FAREWELL REPORT. [INDISCERNIBLE] CAP-AND-TRADE LOW CARBON OPERATIONS PROGRAM APPROVES PROGRAMMING OF PROJECTS FOR FY202021 OPERATIONS PROGRAM. I MOVE APPROVAL OF MTC RESOLUTION 4273 REVISED.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: MOTION ON THE FLOOR BY VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ.

GINA PAPAN: PAPAN SECOND.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: SECOND BY PAPAN. KIMBERLY DID WE RECEIVE ANY ITEM PUBLIC COMMENT ASSOCIATED WITH THIS ITEM.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: NO WE RECEIVED NOTHING IN WRITING FOR THIS ITEM AND I SEE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ROLL CALL FOR ITEM 7A.

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CLERK OF THE BOARD: SURE. MOTION BY JOSEFOWITZ SECOND BY PAPAN. [ROLL CALL VOTE] THANK YOU. THE MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU KIMBERLY. I THINK YOU HAVE ONE MORE ITEM NICK?

COM. NICK JOSEFOWITZ: AGENDA ITEM 7B MTC RESOLUTION REVISED CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE AND RELIEF SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF 2021. CRRSAA PROGRAMS APPROXIMATELY $803 MILLION OF CRRSAA FUNDING TO BAY AREA TRANSIT OPERATORS TO PROVIDE FUNDING RELIEF AS A RESULT OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC. THE COMMITTEE SUPPORTS THE PROPOSED DISTRIBUTION OF CRRSAA PHASE TWO FUNDING AND PROVIDED PRELIMINARY INPUT TO STAFF ON FACTORS TO CONSIDER IN FUTURE PROGRAMMING OF THE REG'S SHARE OF THE FEDERAL RESCUE ACT FUNDING. I MOVE APPROVAL OF MTC RESOLUTION 4353 REVISED.

CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: DUTRA-VERNACI SECONDS.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: FIRST AND SECOND. I SEE A HAND FROM COMMISSIONERS. COMMISSIONER PAPAN.

GINA PAPAN: THANK YOU MR. CHAIR. SO THERE WAS AN INTERESTING LETTER ATTACHED TO THIS ITEM. REGARDING THE VTA'S FUNDING, AND

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FIRST AND FOREMOST, THANK YOU TO STAFF FOR WORKING WITH ALL THE TRANSIT AGENCIES ON THIS, AND I KNOW THEY'RE HAPPY AT THIS POINT IN TIME. THIS DID SEEM TO BE SOMEWHAT OF A DISCREPANCY MOVING FORWARD AS FAR AS VTA FUNDING. I'M NOT EXPECTING AN ANSWER AT THIS POINT IN TIME, BUT MOVING FORWARD, I THINK WE SHOULD LOOK CLOSELY AT THIS, AND HOPEFULLY THERE WILL BE FURTHER DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS COMING DOWN FROM THE FEDS. THANK YOU MR. CHAIR.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER PAPAN. SEEING NO FURTHER COMMISSIONERS HANDS RAISED. KIMBERLY DID WE RECEIVE ANY WRITTEN COMMUNICATION PUBLIC COMMENT ASSOCIATED WITH THIS ITEM?

CLERK OF THE BOARD: YES WE DID. FROM LAURA TOLLCOFF OF SPUR. AND I SEE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED AT THIS TIME.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. SEEING NO OTHER COMMISSIONERS WITH THEIR HANDS RAISED IF WE COULD DO ROLL CALL PLEASE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: MOTION BY PEDROZA SECOND BY DUTRA-VERNACI. [ROLL CALL VOTE] THANK YOU. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

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ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU KIMBERLY I ALSO WANT TO THANK STAFF AND THE OPERATORS OUT THERE BIG AND SMALL I APPRECIATE THE COLLABORATION EVERYONE'S DEMONSTRATING AT THIS TIME. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MOVING TO AGENDA ITEM EIGHT LEGISLATION COMMITTEE. WHICH IS BEING TEMPORARILY CHAIRED BY MYSELF. SO, THE JOINT MTC LEGISLATION COMMITTEE ABAG LEGISLATION COMMITTEE MET MARCH 12TH. MTC LEGISLATION COMMITTEE REFERRED FIVE ITEMS FOR APPROVE ONE ON CONSENT AGENDA ITEM 8A ADVOCACY PRINCIPLES TO GUIDANCE AIMED AT THE BAY AREA TRANSIT SYSTEM GUIDES LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY REGARDING ASSEMBLYMEMBER CHU'S RECENTLY INTRODUCED LEGISLATION 629 INTO IMPROVING PERFORMANCE AND CONNECTIVITY TO THE VARIOUS PUBLIC TRANSIT SYSTEM. THIS IS AN INFORMATIONAL ITEM NO ACTION REQUIRED AT THIS TIME. REBECCA WOULD YOU LIKE TO COMMENT?

REBECCA LONG: NO. DON'T NEED TO COMMENT.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. I WILL CALL ON COMMISSIONER SPERING.

JAMES P. SPERING: THANK YOU MR. CHAIR. I WAS HOPING THIS WAS GOING TO ON FOR ACTION. IT'S FINE THAT IT WASN'T. I WOULD LIKE TO ENCOURAGE MY FELLOW COMMISSIONERS TODAY TO EITHER COMMENT OR MAKE SUGGESTIONS ON THESE PRINCIPLES. OUR STAFF IS MOVING FORWARD WITH SOME OF THE RECOMMENDATION THAT IS THE BLUE

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RIBBON COMMITTEE IS BRINGING FORWARD AND IF YOU LOOK AT THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT SOME OF THE INITIATIVES SHE'S WORKING ON, AND THESE PRINCIPLES ARE REALLY THE FRAMEWORK THAT OUR STAFF IS WORKING ON AND SO IT WOULD BE GOOD THAT WE HEAR IF ANYBODY HAS CONCERNS OR COMMENTS ON THIS ISSUE. AND I THINK IT WILL SEND A CLEAR MESSAGE TO ASSEMBLYMEMBER CHU'S OFFICE THAT THESE PRINCIPLES ARE KIND OF GUIDING, WILL HELP GUIDE HIS LEGISLATION AND I THINK THEY WERE LOOKING FORWARD TO THE COMMISSION TAKING ACTION ON THIS TODAY. AND SO, YOU KNOW, I JUST THINK THAT IT'S IMPORTANT THAT IF PEOPLE DO HAVE CONCERNS THAT THEY COULD EXPRESS THEM TODAY. THANK YOU MR. CHAIRMAN.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER SPERING. AND I JUST WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE, YOUR TREMENDOUS LEADERSHIP ON THE BLUE RIBBON TASK FORCE OF CONVENING STAKEHOLDER GROUPS TO HAVE CONSENSUS. AND THE BODY OF WORK IS SHOWING UP HERE TODAY. WHILE WE CAN'T TAKE ACTION, I CONCUR WITH ASKING FOR INPUT FROM ANY OF OUR COLLEAGUES AT THIS TIME. COMMISSION ARE PAPAN THEN COMMISSIONER WORTH.

GINA PAPAN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH MR. CHAIR. I WOULD LIKE TO COMPLIMENT THE EFFORTS OF THE BLUE RIBBON TRANSIT COMMITTEE AND ASSEMBLY MEMBER CHU, THE RESPONSE THAT ASSEMBLY MEMBER CHU HIS EXPRESSED TO US IS EXTREMELY POSITIVE IN TAKING THIS PANDEMIC AND MAKING IT WORK EFFICIENTLY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE

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RIDERS. HE'S WORKING WITH US AND HOPEFULLY ALL THE COMMISSIONERS SUPPORTING THIS EFFORT OR COMMENTING TO MAKE IT AN EVEN BETTER EFFORT WILL STAND STRONG MOVING FORWARD HERE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE RIDERS AND TO REALLY, THIS -- IF WE CAN DO THIS, IT WILL GET MORE PEOPLE BACK ON TRANSIT THAT NEED TO BE ON TRANSIT. SO, THE EFFORT REALLY INCLUDES THIS ENTIRE COMMISSION BEING SUPPORTIVE OF THE END RESULT. AND IT'S, HOPEFULLY GOING -- THE LEGISLATION WILL HELP US. SO I HOPE THAT YOU CAN JOIN US IN THESE EFFORTS.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER PAPAN. COMMISSIONER WORTH?

AMY R. WORTH: THANK YOU MR. CHAIR. I WANTED TO FOLLOW ON TO COMMISSION ARE PAPAN'S COMMENTS AND COMMEND THOSE. I REALLY LOOK FORWARD TO BRINGING THESE PRINCIPLES AND ENDORSE THEM LOOKING FORWARD TO OUR COMMISSION TAKING ACTION NEXT MONTH. THIS BRINGS FORTH A REGION-WIDE DISCUSSION AND CONSULTATION AND I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT THE TRANSIT OPERATORS AND THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY GROUPS THAT HAVE WEIGHED IN ON THESE PRINCIPLES IT IDENTIFIES THE FACT THAT WE ARE ALL IN THIS. AND IN ORDER TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN TERMS OF IMPLEMENTING THESE PRINCIPLES, AS THEY MOVE FORWARD IN THE FRAMEWORK OF LEGISLATION AS WELL AS POLICIES, THAT THIS REALLY DOES -- AND I REFLECT THAT BROAD REGIONAL SUPPORT OF WORKING TOGETHER. IT

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OFFERS SOME VERY EXCITING INITIATIVES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR US TO INCREASE THE ACCESS AND THE FUNCTIONALITY OF RIDES AND OUR TRANSIT SERVICES TO OUR TRANSIT RIDERS ACROSS THE REGION, WHETHER THEY'RE SCHOOL TRIPS OR GRANDMOTHER IS GOING TO THE GROCERY STORE, OR EMPLOYEES TRAVELING THE LONG DISTANCES ON THE EXPRESS BUSES. AND I THINK, YOU KNOW, WE'RE ALREADY HEARING ABOUT INITIATIVES WHEN THE STATE SECRETARY KIM TALKED ABOUT THE INITIATIVES LAST WEEK. HE REALLY HIGHLIGHTED A NUMBER OF THE THINGS THAT ARE COMPLETELY TIED IN THAT THE STATE IS DOING THAT ARE TIED IN WITH THESE INITIATIVES SO AGAIN, I REALLY WANT TO THANK STAFF FOR BRINGING THESE PRINCIPLES BEFORE US, AND AS YOU CAN SEE FROM THE OTHER LEG BILLS THAT ARE ON -- THAT ARE MOVING FORWARD, THESE ARE VERY CONSISTENT AND ENABLE US TO, WITH THOSE BILLS, ENABLE US TO BE EFFECTIVE ADVOCATES NOT ONLY WITH CURRENT LEGISLATION BUT LOOKING TO THE FUTURE IDENTIFYING WHAT KINDS OF LEGISLATIVE TOOLS WE NEED TO WORK TOGETHER. SO THANK YOU.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER WORTH. ANY OTHER COMMISSIONERS WISH TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM? ALL RIGHT WE'LL COME BACK. AT THIS POINT, KIMBERLY, DO WE HAVE ANY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT WISH TO COMMENT? AND DID WE RECEIVE ANY WRITTEN COMMUNICATION ON THIS ITEM?

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CLERK OF THE BOARD: WE RECEIVED NOTHING IN WRITING AND I HAVE TWO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED. ROLL AN LEBRUN. YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES.

SPEAKER: THANK YOU CHAIR ON 7B THERE IS A LETTER FROM ME IN THE PACKET. I WOULD LIKE TO FOLLOW UP ON THE LATEST MEETING, RECOVERY TASK FORCE SPECIFICALLY, WHAT'S GOING ON WITH THIS NETWORK MANAGER, AND SPECIFICALLY, SLIDE NUMBER 13 WHICH HAD TO DO WITH PRIORITIZING ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES. AND THERE ARE SOME RESPONSIBILITIES THAT QUITE FRANKLY DON'T BELONG THERE SO I WOULD LIKE TO BRING THEM TO YOUR ATTENTION NUMBER ONE IS STATION HUB DESIGN IS CRITICAL NUMBER TWO PROCUREMENT AND CONTRACTING. NUMBER THREE, CAPITAL PROJECT PRIORITIZATION AND NUMBER FOUR MEGA PROJECT DELIVERY AND OVERSIGHT. BASICALLY WHAT I'M GOING TO DO IS A SEGUE OF THE COMMENT I MADE EARLIER ON THE KIND OF QUALITY OF DELIVERABLES THAT MTC STAFF ARE PRODUCING. AND WHAT I'M RECOMMENDING HERE IS THAT WE HIRE A CONSULTANT WHO IS GOING TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS PARTICULAR AREA AND WILL REACH OUT TO INTERNATIONAL COMPANIES, I'M TALKING ABOUT OUTSIDE THE U.S.WHO ARE FAMILY WITH NOT JUST DELIVERING MEGA PROJECTS, BUT HOW THEY WENT TO THE PROJECT INITIATION AND DESIGN. I THINK AT THE END OF THE DAY THIS IS HOW WE'RE GOING TO ADDRESS VICE CHAIR JOSEFOWITZ'S CONCERNS ABOUT THESE PROJECTS OUT OF OUR CONTROL. BECAUSE THESE PEOPLE ARE GOING TO BE ABLE TO TELL US HOW IT WORKS IN EUROPE, IN

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CANADA, AUSTRALIA, AND WE'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO USE THESE BEST PRACTICES, YOU ACTUALLY -- TO PROBABLY -- AM I DONE HERE? OKAY. TO BASICALLY DELIVER A BETTER OUTCOME ON TIME AND ON BUDGET. THANK YOU.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU ROLAND.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: NEXT SPEAKER IS KEN BUKOWSKI, PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF.

SPEAKER: HI. I WOULD LIKE TO TREAT TRANSIT AS A HIGH PRIORITY. I DON'T THINK YOU REALIZE THAT THE ACTIVE FREE TRANSIT CREATES CRIMINALS NICE OPPORTUNITY -- [INDISCERNIBLE] ECONOMY IN THE CITY -- WE HAD A FREE BUS FOR 30 YEARS THAT COULD BE APPLIED EVERYWHERE ELSE. VERY IMPORTANT TO PUT FREE PUBLIC TRANSIT AS A HIGH PRIORITY. THANK YOU.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. THE NEXT SPEAKER IS ALETA DUPREE. PLEASE UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES.

SPEAKER: THANK YOU CHAIR, ALFREDO PEDROZA FOR THE RECORD ALETA DUPREE FOR THE RECORD SHE AND HER. I'M INTERESTED IN THE FACT -- CAN YOU HEAR ME?

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: YES WE CAN. GO AHEAD.

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SPEAKER: OKAY. THANK YOU. ALETA DUPREE FOR THE RECORD, SHE AND HER. LET'S ZOOM IS A LITTLE TICKY TODAY. I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE ADVOCATE FOR THIS AT THE STATE LEVEL. BECAUSE THIS IS NOT JUST SIMPLY A REGIONAL ISSUE, BUT CERTAINLY CAN BE HANDLED AT THE STATE AND HOPEFULLY THE FEDERAL LEVEL ACROSS THE COUNTRY. I AM A USER OF TRANSIT, FOR YEARS. I HAVEN'T HAD A CAR SINCE 2009. AND AS I HAVE GONE AROUND A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT REGIONAL SYSTEMS, I LOOK FOR A UNIFORM SET OF EXPECTATIONS. AND TO BE ABLE TO PREDICT ABOUT HOW LONG IT'S GOING TO TAKE AND ABOUT HOW MUCH IT'S GOING TO COST, SOME SYSTEMS ARE VERY EASY TO USE, IN CHICAGO, YOU HAVE THE L, AND THAT RUNS MOST OF THE AREA, AND PACE INTEGRATES WITH IT. WHEN I HAVE GONE TO PHILADELPHIA, IT'S CLEAR AS MUD. IN NEW YORK, I HAVE USED LIKE 6 DIFFERENT SYSTEMS. CERTAINLY TO TRY TO TIE ALL THIS TOGETHER WILL BE HELPFUL TO ME BECAUSE TRANSIT CAN TAKE A WHILE WHEN YOU TRAVEL AND COMMUTE ON A REGIONAL BASIS, USING MULTIPLE SYSTEMS. SO I ASK THAT YOU HEAR THE STORIES OF THE USERS LIKE MYSELF, AND BRING THIS TO THE STATE. THANK YOU.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. THE -- I HAVE NO ADDITIONAL SPEAKERS.

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ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU KIMBERLY. WE'LL BRING IT BACK TO THE COMMISSION. COMMISSIONER SPERING.

JAMES P. SPERING: THANK YOU MR. CHAIR. I WANT TO SAY THESE PRINCIPLES REALLY ARE GOING TO HELP DEVELOP THE STRATEGIES FOR TRANSIT RECOVERY, WHICH WE ARE IN THE MIDDLE OF, AND THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE TRANSIT, TO BETTER SERVE THE RIDER. HOPEFULLY EVERYBODY'S HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THEM. BUT IF YOU DO HAVE COMMENTS, YOU KNOW, IF YOU COULD MAKE THEM TODAY IT'S FINE BUT IF YOU CAN GET THEM TO STAFF AS SOON AS YOU CAN BECAUSE THESE PRINCIPLES ARE THE BASIS FOR US MOVING FORWARD. SO, THANK YOU MR. CHAIRMAN.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER SPERING. I THINK YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY REALTIME. THESE PRINCIPLES ARE THE FOUNDATION TO US GOING FORWARD. AND AGAIN, I JUST COMMEND US FOR GOING BACK TO THE RETREAT WE HAD WHEN WE WANTED TO BE BOLT AND UNFLINCHING THIS IS A MANIFESTATION OF BEING BOLD. ONE OF THE FIRST STEPS. I JUST COMMEND US FOR TAKING THIS OPPORTUNITY. AGAIN THIS WAS AN INFORMATION ITEM ONLY AND WILL COME BACK TO THE COMMISSION. ITEM 8B ASSEMBLY BILL 455 BONTA, BAY BRIDGE FAST FORWARD PROGRAM. REQUIRES THE BAY AREA TOLL AUTHORITY BATA TO IDENTIFY PLAN AND DELIVER PROJECTS AND PLANS TO SPEED UP BUS AND HIGH-OCCUPANCY VEHICLES TRAVELING TO SAN FRANCISCO OAKLAND CORRIDOR AND AUTHORIZE BATA IN CONSULTATIONS

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WITH CALTRANS TO IMPLEMENT [INDISCERNIBLE] AND I MOVE SUPPORT SEEK AMENDMENT POSITION ON ASSEMBLY BILL 455.

DAVID RABBIT: SECOND.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: COMMENTS FROM STAFF ON THE REPORT-OUT? SEEING NONE. KIMBERLY DID WE RECEIVE ANY WRITTEN COMMUNICATION OR DO WE HAVE ANY PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM?

CLERK OF THE BOARD: YES, MR. CHAIR, WE DID RECEIVE SEVERAL WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM WILLIAM KLINE, HELEN QUEDISTO, DERRICK PABLIC AND DERRICK STANISLAUSKI. ONE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED. ALETA DUPREE. YOU HAVE 2 MINUTES.

SPEAKER: ALETA DUPREE FOR THE RECORD. SHE AND HER. I HAVE BEEN FOLLOWING THIS FOR THE LAST FEW YEARS AND I AM A USER OF THE BAY BRIDGE SPECIFICALLY ON BUSES. GENERALLY, I STAY NEAR EMERYVILLE SO I'M RIGHT NEAR THE CURVE AT THE 580 TO 880 INTERCHANGE. AND THE F BUS, WHICH IS MY BUS OF CHOICE, PASSED AROUND THROUGH THAT CURVE IN BOTH DIRECTIONS IN THE MORNINGS DEALING WITH THE BACK UPS AT THE POWELL STREET ENTRANCE BUT MOSTLY IN THE AFTERNOONS BECAUSE OF HAVING TO IMPROVE ACROSS MULTIPLE LANES THE AC TRANSIT BUS WILL GET OFF OF THE 580 AT SAN PABLO AND MAKE A U-TURN AND BACK AROUND. SAN PABLO THERE

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IS A VERY TIGHT CORNER WITH A LOT OF OBSTRUCTIONS. I THINK WE HAVE TO WORK AT TRYING TO CLEAN UP THE MAZE, IF YOU WILL, SO HIGH CAPACITY VEHICLES CAN GET THROUGH. I WOULD LIKE MORE PEOPLE TO RIDE THE BUS. AND THE F ONLY RUNS EVERY HALF HOUR. HOPEFULLY THAT WILL INCREASE. SO I THINK A BIG PART TO GETTING MORE FREQUENT BUS SERVICES TO FIX THE ISSUES AT THE HEAD OF THE BAY BRIDGE IN OAKLAND, AND TO THE CURVE. THEY DO THIS IN NEW JERSEY WITH THE EXPRESS BUS LANE AND HAVE DONE SO FOR 50 YEARS. SO I THINK WE HAVE TO STAY ON THIS VERY CLOSELY AND ADVOCATE. THANK YOU.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU ALETA.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: NO FURTHER SPEAKERS. THANK YOU.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: BRINGING IT BACK TO THE COMMISSION. SEEING NO FURTHER QUESTIONS FROM COMMISSIONERS. PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: MOTION BY PEDROZA, SECOND BY RABBIT. [ROLL CALL VOTE] THANK YOU. THE MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU KIMBERLY. TWO MORE ITEMS TO GO. HANG IN THERE COMMISSIONERS. 8C SENATE BILL 623 NEW MAN ELECTRONIC TOLL COLLECTION SYSTEM CLARIFIES PROVISION STATE

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LAW FOR ABILITY TO USE AND SHARE INFORMATION FOR THE OPERATION OF ELECTRONIC TRANSIT FARE COLLECTION SYSTEM IN CALIFORNIA. I SUPPORT MOVING TO SUPPORT POSITION SB 623.

FEDERAL D. GLOVER: SECOND.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU. KIMBERLY DO WE HAVE ANY WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENT.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: I HAVE RECEIVED NO WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENT. THERE IS ONE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED. ALETA DUPREE. PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES.

SPEAKER: THANK YOU CHAIR PEDROZA ALETA DUPREE FOR THE RECORD. LET'S TRY AGAIN HERE. THANK YOU CHAIR ALFREDO PEDROZA FOR THE RECORD ALETA DUPREE FOR THE RECORD SHE AND HER. THIS TOO IS VERY IMPORTANT AS I USE MANY DIFFERENT FORMS OF TRANSPORTATION ON THIS DIVERSE NUMBER OF SYSTEMS, SOMETIMES, FOUR OR FIVE SYSTEMS IN A DAY, ANYTHING WE CAN DO TO STREAMLINE THE PROCESS OF MAKING ELECTRONIC PAYMENT WORK I'M IN FAVOR OF. IT'S TIME TO GET PAST THE DAYS OF PAPER TICKETS AND STICKERS AND CARDS AND OTHER THINGS THAT CAN BE EASILY LOST CASH IS BECOMING MORE AND MORE MESSY IT'S HARD TO DO EQUITY PROGRAMS WITH PAPER AND CASH. AS I WEIGH INTO THIS I AM INTRIGUED AND EXCITED ABOUT IT, I ASK THAT YOU CONTINUE TO PUSH ON THIS MATTER AS WELL

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CORE TRANSIT ON THE HIGHWAYS MAKES IT EASIER FOR A LOT OF PEOPLE INCLUDING MYSELF. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NO ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ROLL CALL VOTE. BEFORE WE DO THAT LET'S CALL COMMISSIONER SPERING.

JAMES P. SPERING: WE HAVE TRIED THIS LEGISLATION IN THE PAST. HOW DO YOU SEE THE FUTURE OF THIS LEGISLATION? WHAT CAN WE DO DIFFERENTIAL.

REBECCA LONG: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER SPERING THIS BILL IS SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT THAN SB 664. WE HAVE HAD, AS YOU KNOW, A NUMBER OF LAWSUITS RELATED TO TOLL COLLECTION. THE PRIOR BILL DEALT WITH COIF NOTICE REQUIREMENT SAYS -- AS THE USE OF PI. THIS BILL IS STRICTLY FOCUSED ON THE PII PIECE SO WE THINK IT WILL BE SOMEWHAT SIMPLER IT'S STILL GOING TO LIKELY RESULT IN SOME CONVERSATIONS, BUT YOU KNOW, THAT MAY REQUIRE SOME AMENDMENTS ET CETERA, THE NORMAL LEGISLATIVE PROCESS. BUT WE THINK IT WILL BE AN EASIER GOING THIS YEAR BECAUSE IT'S A MORE STREAMLINED BILL ALSO BEING INTRODUCED AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SESSION. LAST BULL WHAT THEY CALLED GUT AND AMEND FINGERS

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CROSSED THAT WE HAVE A COALITION OF OTHER TOM AGENCIES ACROSS CALIFORNIA WORKING ON THIS BILL.

JAMES P. SPERING: THANK YOU.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER SPERING. SEEING NO OTHER HAND RAISED WE'LL PROCEED WITH THE ROLL CALL VOTE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: YES. MOTION BY PEDROZA, SECOND BY GLOVER. [ROLL CALL VOTE]

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: THANK YOU. ITEM EIGHT D LEGISLATIVE ENGAGEMENT ON CLIMATE ADAPTATION LEGISLATION. THIS IS AN ITEM THAT WAS REFERRED TO THE JOINT LEDGE. KIMBERLY, TO BOTH THE COMMISSION AND ABAG EXECUTIVE BOARD. AND EXECUTIVE BOARD MADE -- STATUS OF CONSIDERATION BY THIS BODY STAFF HAS PROVIDED -- [INDISCERNIBLE] STAFF RECOMMENDS NO ACTION BE TAKEN ON THIS ITEM AND DEFERRED TO APRIL -- ACTION TAKEN BY EXECUTIVE BOARD.

REBECCA LONG: I THINK THE TALKING POINTS YOU JUST PROVIDED SUMMARIZE IT. ABAG EXECUTIVE BOARD DEFERRED ACTION ON THIS ITEM SO WE'RE RECOMMENDING THE COMMISSION DO THE SAME SO WE CAN SEEK FURTHER INPUT OVER THE NEXT MONTH.

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ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: WONDERFUL. IF YOU HAVE ANY OBJECTIONS PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND. IF NOT, I WOULD LOOK AT THAT AS CONSENSUS, AND I WILL ASK KIMBERLY, DID WE RECEIVE ANY PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM?

CLERK OF THE BOARD: NO. I HAVE RECEIVED NOTHING IN WRITING AND I SEE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: WONDERFUL. ALL RIGHT. MOVING TO ITEM NINE, PUBLIC COMMENT. I WILL ASK THE CLERK TO LIST ANY ITEMS WITH PUBLIC COMMENT ASSOCIATED WITH THIS ITEM AT INFO BAY AREA METRO, AND COMMENTS RAISE YOUR HAND OR DIAL STAR NINE.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: I HAVE RECEIVED NOTHING IN WRITING FOR THIS ITEM AND I SEE THAT ALETA DUPREE HAS HER HAND RAISED FOR THIS ITEM. GO AHEAD AND UNMUTE YOURSELF. YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES.

SPEAKER: THANK YOU CHAIR ALFREDO PEDROZA AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE. ALETA DUPREE, SHE AND HER. THINGS WENT WELL TODAY I WAS AFRAID A LOT OF PEOPLE WERE GOING TO -- IT'S GOOD WHEN A LOT OF PEOPLE SHOW UP BUT I WAS AFRAID THINGS WERE GOING TO GET BOGGED DOWN AND REALLY GLAD WE'RE GETTING THINGS DONE. IN MY FOUR YEARS OF COMING TO SPEAK WITH YOU AT MEETINGS MTC HAS ALWAYS BEEN ABOUT GETTING THINGS DONE. FOUND OUT BY MTC BY ACCIDENT WHEN I LOOKED AT THE CLIPPER CARD WEB SITE AND SAW

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METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, I CLICKED ON IT AND DISCOVERED THAT YOU HAD MEETINGS. I STARTED COMING AND SPEAKING AT CLIPPER MEETINGS AND ALL THE DIFFERENT BOARDS AND MTC REALLY IS ABOUT PEOPLE. ALL THE THINGS, THE THINGS THEY GENERALLY TALK ABOUT WITH YOU ARE THE THINGS WHERE THE RUBBER MEETS THE ROAD, AND THE WHEEL MEETS THE RAIL, AND THE SHOE MEETS THE GROUND. THE THINGS THAT EVERY DAY WORK FOR ME, SUCH AS THE CLIPPER CARD, AND THE TOLL BRIDGES, AND KEEPING THE TRAINS AND BUSES RUNNING SAFELY ON TIME. YOU ALL BRING IT TOGETHER. SO I THANK YOU FOR YOUR WELCOME. I LOOK FORWARD TO NEXT MONTH. THANK YOU.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: NOTICE ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE THEIR HAND RAISED, MR. CHAIR.

ALFREDO PEDROZA, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. I LIKE THE ENDING. MTC GETS THINGS DONE. SEEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE COMMISSION WE'RE GOING TO TURN TO THE NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY APRIL 28TH REMOTELY OR BY WEBCAST. ADJOURNING IN MEMORY OF ANNE HALSTED. THANK YOU EVERYONE. HAVE A GOOD WEEKEND. [ADJOURNED]

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