

An aerial photograph of a city street grid, viewed from a high angle. The image is heavily blurred and has a monochromatic blue color scheme, with varying shades of blue creating a sense of depth and texture. The street lines form a complex, intersecting pattern across the frame.

ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS

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1 **ABAG SAN FRANCISCO BAY TRAIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

2 **FRIDAY, MARCH 26, 2021, 10:00 AM**

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4 OTHER THAN THAT ROLL CALL VOTE.

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6 **FRED CASTRO:** THIS IS A ROLL CALL TO DETERMINE WHETHER A QUORUM
7 IS PRESENT. BRUCE BEYAERT.

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9 **BRUCE BEYAERT:** PRESENT.

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11 BRENDA BUXTON.

12
13 PRESENT.

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15 JOHN COLEMAN IS ABSENT. ROSEMARY CORBIN.

16
17 **ROSEMARY CORBIN:** HERE.

18
19 CORRINE DEBRA IS ABSENT. NANCE DONATI IS ABSENT. LEO DUBOSE
20 IS ABSENT. JEAN FINNEY IS ABSENT. MINANE JAMISON IS ABSENT.
21 ELLEN JOHNCK.

22
23 PRESENT.

24
25 THANK YOU.

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2 BILL KEENE.

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4 PRESENT.

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6 JOSEPH LACLAIR. I THOUGHT I SAW HIM. JOSEPH LACLAIR.

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8 **JOE LACLAIR:** HERE.

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10 THANK YOU. ETHAN LAVINE.

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12 **ETHAN LAVINE:** HERE.

13

14 DAVID LEWIS IS ABSENT. BILL LONG.

15

16 **BILL LONG:** HERE.

17

18 JUDITH MALAMUT.

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20 **JUDITH MALAMUT:** HERE.

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22 THANK YOU. STEVEN MCADAM.

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24 **STEVE MCADAM SEC'Y:** HERE.

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1 JULIA MILLER IS ABSENT. RICK PARMER IS ABSENT. JUAN RAIGOZA.

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3 **JUAN RAIGOZA:** HERE.

4

5 THANK YOU. ANTOINETTE ROMEO.

6

7 **ROSEMARY CORBIN:** HERE.

8

9 THANK YOU.

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11 **ANTOINETTE ROMEO:** THANK YOU.

12

13 DI ROSS-LEECH IS ABSENT. ANNA RUIZ.

14

15 HERE.

16

17 THANK YOU. PHILLIP SALES IS ABSENT. LINDA STONIER IS

18 ABSENT. DON WEDEN.

19

20 **DON WEDEN:** HERE.

21

22 THANK YOU. JOHN WOODBURY.

23

24 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** HERE.

25

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1 **FRED CASTRO:** QUORUM IS PRESENT.

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3 **MAUREEN GAFFNEY:** I THINK PHILLIP SALES IS TRYING TO GET ON OR
4 HAS JUST JOINED.

5

6 **PHILLIP SALES:** I'M PRESENT. SORRY.

7

8 **FRED CASTRO:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** SO FIRST ITEM ON THE AGENDA IS TO
11 APPROVE THE AGENDA. I ASSUME YOU ALL HAVE GOT COPIES AT THIS
12 POINT. IF THERE ARE ANY OBJECTIONS OR COMMENTS ON THE AGENDA.
13 IF NOT, IF SOMEONE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A MOTION AND A SECOND.

14

15 **ROSEMARY CORBIN:** I MOVE THE AGENDA. ROSEMARY CORBIN.

16

17 **ANTOINETTE ROMEO:** I SECOND. ANTOINETTE.

18

19 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** GOT IT. OKAY. AND SO I GUESS WE NEED TO
20 HAVE A ROLL CALL VOTE ON THIS.

21

22 **FRED CASTRO:** YES, SIR. AND NO PUBLIC COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED
23 AND NO ATTENDEES HAVE RAISED THEIR HAND FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.
24 ROLL CALL ON AGENDA. BRUCE BAY ART.

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1 **BRUCE BEYAERT:** YES.

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3 **JULIA MILLER:** YES.

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5 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** FRIEND A BUCKTON IS ABSENT.

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7 **BRENDA BUXTON:** NO, I'M HERE.

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9 **FRED CASTRO:** I'M SORRY. AND THAT WAS A YES?

10

11 **BRENDA BUXTON:** YES.

12

13 **FRED CASTRO:** JOHN COLEMAN IS ABSENT. ROSEMARY CORBIN.

14

15 **ANTOINETTE ROMEO:** YES.

16

17 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** KOREAN DU BLAH IS ABSENT. DONATI IS

18 ABSENT. I. LEO DUBOSE IS ABSENT. JEAN FINNEY ABSENT. JAMISON

19 ABSENT. ELLEN JOHNCK.

20

21 **YES.**

22

23 **BILL KEENE.**

24

25 **YES.**

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1

2 JOSEPH LACLAIR.

3

4 YES.

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6 ETHAN LAVINE.

7

8 YES.

9

10 DAVID LEWIS IS ABSENT. BILL LONG.

11

12 **BILL LONG:** YES.

13

14 **JUDITH MALAMUT:** YES.

15

16 **STEVE MCADAM:** YES.

17

18 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** JULIA MILLER IS PANT RICK PARMER IS

19 ABSENT. JUAN RAIGOZA.

20

21 **JUAN RAIGOZA:** YES.

22

23 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** ANTOINETTE ROMEO.

24

25 **ANTOINETTE ROMEO:** YES.

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2 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** DIANE ROSS-LEECH IS ABSENT. ANA RUIZ. ANA
3 RUIZ.

4

5 **ANA RUIZ:** YES.

6

7 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** THANK YOU. PHILLIP SALES.

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9 **PHILLIP SALES:** YES.

10

11 **FRED CASTRO:** THANK YOU. LINDA STONIER IS ABSENT. DON WEDEN.

12

13 **DON WEDEN:** YES.

14

15 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** JOHN WOODBURY.

16

17 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** YES.

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19 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

20

21 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** ONE THING I SKIPPED OVER ACCIDENTAL,
22 JUST GO BACK IF NTT STAFF ARE ON THE CALL WOULD LIKE TO
23 INTRODUCE THEMSELVES TO THE REST OF THE BOARD, THIS WOULD BE
24 THE TIME TO DO IT.

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1 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** I'M TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA IS MTC ASHLEY
2 NGUYEN I AM ASHLEY NGUYEN WITH MTC.

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4 I'M VIJAY KESAVAN WITH MTC.

5

6 GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE WITH MTC.

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8 NICOLA WITH MTC.

9

10 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** CONSENT CALENDAR. WE HAVE ONE ITEM
11 WHICH IS THE MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING WHICH WAS A LONG
12 TIME AGO. SO IF ANYONE REMEMBERS AND WAS AT THE MEETING.

13

14 **BRUCE BEYAERT:** I REMEMBER. I'LL MOVE APPROVAL, JOHN.

15

16 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, BRUCE. MOTION BY BRUCE
17 BEYAERT.

18

19 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** IS THAT JOE LACLAIR?

20

21 **JOE LACLAIR:** YES.

22

23 **BRENDA BUXTON:** JOHN, YOU MAY NOT ABLE TO SEE IT BUT THERE IS A
24 HAND RAISED.

25

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1 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** I DON'T SEE IT, SO WHOEVER IT IS.

2

3 **ERIK ALM:** THIS IS ERIK ALM, DISTRICT 4. I'M ATTENDING AS JEAN
4 FINNEY'S ALTERNATE. I'M TO BE OFFICIALLY INSTALLED LATER IN
5 THE MEETING, SO I WANTED TO ASK IF I SHOULD BE OFFICIALLY
6 INCLUDED IN THE ROLL OR NOT UNTIL LATER.

7

8 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** I BELIEVE NOT UNTIL LATER, BUT --

9

10 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** RIGHT.

11

12 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** VERY SHORTLY.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

15

16 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** WE DO HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND TO
17 APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 7, 2019. IF THERE'S NO
18 FURTHER QUESTIONS, I GUESS ROLL CALL VOTE.

19

20 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** AND NO ATTENDEES WITH THEIR HANDS RAISE,
21 NO COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED ON THE MOTION. BRUCE JULIE BOND RANT
22 IS ABSENT. BRENDA BUXTON.

23

24 **BRENDA BUXTON:** HERE.

25

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1 **FRED CASTRO:** THANK YOU. JOHN COLEMAN. IS ABSENT. ROSEMARY
2 CORWIN.

3

4 **ROSEMARY CORBIN:** AYE.

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6 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** CORINE DEBRA IS ABSENT. NANCE DONATI IS
7 ABSENT. LEO DUBOSE IS ABSENT. JEAN FINNEY IS ABSENT. MINANE
8 JAMISON IS ABSENT. ELLEN JOHNCK.

9

10 **ELLEN JOHNCK:** YES.

11

12 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** THANK YOU. BILL KEENE.

13

14 **BILL KEENE:** YES.

15

16 **JOE LACLAIR:** YES.

17

18 **ETHAN LAVINE:** YES.

19

20 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** DAVID LEWIS IS ABSENT. BILL LONG.

21

22 **BILL LONG:** YES.

23

24 **JULIA MILLER:** YES.

25

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1 **STEVE MCADAM:** YES.

2

3 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** JULIA MILLER IS ABSENT. RICK PARMER IS
4 ABSENT. JUAN RAIGOZA.

5

6 **JUAN RAIGOZA:** YES.

7

8 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** ANTOINETTE ROMEO.

9

10 **ANTOINETTE ROMEO:** YES.

11

12 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** DIANE ROSS-LEECH IS ABSENT. ANA RUIZ.

13

14 **ANA RUIZ:** YES.

15

16 **PHILLIP SALES:** YES.

17

18 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** LINDA STONIER IS ABSENT. DON WEDEN.

19

20 **DON WEDEN:** YES.

21

22 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** JOHN WOODBURY.

23

24 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** YES.

25

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1 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

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3 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** NOW TO THE FUN STUFF. OVER THE LAST
4 MANY, MANY MONTHS THERE HAVE BEEN A LOT OF CHANGES. PEOPLE
5 HAVE RETIRED. PEOPLE HAVE MOVED OUT OF THE AREA. SO WE HAVE A
6 FAIR NUMBER OF VACANCIES THAT HAVE BUILT UP, AND SO THIS NEXT
7 ITEM IS FILLING THOSE VACANCIES FROM THE VARIOUS AGENCIES AND
8 ORGANIZATIONS AND INTEREST GROUPS THAT MAKE UP THE BAY TRAIL
9 BOARD.

10

11 **MAUREEN GAFFNEY:** DID HE WANT TO TAKE THE LEAD ON THAT? JOHN,
12 WE ACTUALLY HAVE BOARD AND STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS.

13

14 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. OH, WELL. I JUMPED
15 AHEAD. BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS, STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS. I'LL JUST
16 START OFF FROM THE BOARD SIDE. AS MANY OF YOU KNOW, I'M
17 RETIRING FROM MY JOB AT THE END OF MAY HOPEFULLY ANYWAY. IT'S
18 PROVING DIFFICULT. BUT I DO THINK THAT THE CHAIR OF THE BAY
19 TRAIL BOARD SHOULD BE SOMEONE WHO IS ACTIVELY EMPLOYED AND
20 ENGAGED WITH ONE OF THE CONSTITUENCY GROUPS, SO MY INTENT IS
21 TO RESIGN AS CHAIR OF THE BOARD, BUT I WILL DEFER THAT UNTIL
22 SUCH TIME AS WE CAN GET INTO A PROCESS. THERE'S A LOT OF
23 CHANGE GOING ON WITHIN THE BAY TRAIL AT THIS POINT OVER THE
24 LAST YEAR BECAUSE OF ABAG MTC SWITCH, FROM THE VARIOUS
25 CHANGES, AND IN THIS WHOLE PROCESS WE HAVE DISCOVERED THAT WE

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1 NEED TO DO SOME HOUSE KEEPING IN TERMS OF THE BYLAWS, OUR
2 RELATIONSHIP WITH ABAG/MTC, AND THAT'S -- AND THEN
3 RECONSTITUTING THE BOARD SO IT'S GOING TO BE A BIG CHALLENGE
4 IN THE NEXT SIX MONTHS OR SO. WE'RE IN A DEFLECTION POINT I
5 THINK IN THE BAY TRAIL IN TERMS OF WHERE WE GO FROM HERE. WE
6 HAVE MADE A LOT OF PROGRESS OVER THE MANY YEARS BUT WE STILL
7 HAVE THE HARD STUFF LEFT TO DO. SO I WILL BE AROUND FOR A
8 WHILE, BUT I'M LOOKING, HOPING THAT OTHERS WILL STEP FORWARD
9 AND TAKE OVER AND DO A BETTER JOB THAN I'VE BEEN ABLE TO DO
10 OVER THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS. WITH THAT, ARE THERE OTHER
11 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS?

12

13 **BRUCE BEYAERT:** BRUCE, I HAVE AN ANNOUNCEMENT. JOHN, WE'RE
14 GOING TO MISS YOU, FIRST OF ALL, THOUGH YOU'RE NOT IMMEDIATELY
15 BAILING OUT. AS YOU ALL KNOW, HAS OVER 36 MILES OF BAY TRAIL
16 COMPLETED, THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY. BUT YOU MAY NOT BE FOCUSED
17 ON GAP THE BIG GAP IS 4 MILES NORTH OF SAN RAFAEL BRIDGE
18 THROUGH POINT MALATI AND THE SAN PEBBLE HARBOR. THE GREAT NEWS
19 IS THE CITY OF RICHMOND AND EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT
20 ARE NEARING COMPLETION OF FUNDING TO BUILD 2-1/2 MILES OF
21 TRAIL NORTH FROM THE BRIDGE INTO THE SEA OF RICHMOND, THROUGH
22 THE WINE HAVEN STORY DISTRICT. THIS WILL BE USED WITH ALL OF
23 THE HUNDREDS, IN FACT, OVER 1,000, 100 TO 1,000 CYCLIST TRIPS
24 OVER THE RICHMOND-SAN RAFAEL BRIDGE SO FAR. IT'S GOING TO BE A
25 POPULAR DESTINATION, AND BOTH THE CITY AND THE PARK DISTRICT

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1 ARE COMPLETING OR SUBMITTING GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR THE PROP
2 68 BAY TRAIL PROJECT GRANTS, SHOULD WE COMPLETE FUNDING FOR 2-
3 1/2 MILES OF TRAIL PROVIDING FIRST-TIME PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE
4 SAN FRANCISCO BAY SHORE AND 2-1/2 MILES.

5

6 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** THAT'S A GREAT UPDATE AND A GOOD PLUG
7 FOR YOUR PROJECT.

8

9 **BRUCE BEYAERT:** AND THE BACKGROUND BEHIND ME IS POINT LOTI AND
10 THE TAM BRIDGE.

11

12 **ANTOINETTE ROMEO:** I HAVE AN UPDATE. I WILL BE RETIRING IN MAY
13 AS WELL, BUT I WILL BE STEPPING DOWN AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF
14 SANTA CLARA COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT. THEY'VE
15 HIRED A NEW STAFF MEMBER THAT'S GOING TO BE LOOKING AT OR
16 MANAGING ALL TRAIL GROUPS IN ORDER TO PUT FORWARD THE
17 COUNTYWIDE TRAILS MASTER PLAN. I WILL REMAIN ON THE BOARD, BUT
18 NOT AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY PARKS.

19

20 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. OTHER COMMENTS? OTHER
21 ANNOUNCEMENTS?

22

23 **JOE LACLAIR:** YES, JOHN. JOE LACLAIR HERE. I, TOO, AM RETIRING
24 A LITTLE BIT SOONER, NEXT WEEK, ACTUALLY, NEXT TUESDAY, SO I
25 JUST WANTED TO LET EVERYONE KNOW THAT AND THAT I DO INTEND TO

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1 STAY ON THE BOARD. I DON'T KNOW THAT I WAS NECESSARILY
2 REPRESENTING SAN MATEO COUNTY IN MY MEMBERSHIP ON THE BOARD AS
3 IT IS NOW, BUT I WILL BE LEAGUE OF MY EMPLOY AT SAN MATEO
4 COUNTY AND JUST WANTED TO LET EVERYONE KNOW THAT. THANKS.

5

6 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** ANYONE ELSE?

7

8 **BILL KEENE:** THIS IS BILL KEENE. I JUST WANTED EVERYONE TO KNOW
9 THAT I RETIRED FROM SONOMA COUNTY SERVICE AND AM NOW DOING
10 INDEPENDENT CONSULTING ON MY OWN, AND SO I'M NO LONGER
11 REPRESENTING SONOMA COUNTY AG AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT BUT
12 WOULD LOVE TO REMAIN ON THE BOARD IF THAT'S POSSIBLE.

13

14 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** ANYONE ELSE? HEARING NONE, ARE THERE ANY
15 STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS?

16

17 **MAUREEN GAFFNEY:** YES. THERE ARE PROBABLY QUITE A FEW. RIGHTS
18 SO GOOD TO SEE EVERYONE. HI. IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME. A LONG,
19 STRANGE TIME. I HAVE SEVERAL FUN ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ONE STRANGE
20 ONE. I WANTED TO UPDATE THE BOARD ON THE BAY TRAIL/VINE TRAIL
21 PROJECT IN VALLEJO. THAT PROJECT IS ON THE CUSP OF BEING FULLY
22 100% FUNDED. WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH OUR GREAT PARTNERS AT
23 THE SOLANO TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AND THE CITY OF VALLEJO,
24 AND THE VINE TRAIL TO GET THESE 4-1/2 MILES OF BAY TRAIL AND
25 VINE TRAIL COMPLETE FROM WILSON AVENUE IN VALLEJO ALL THE WAY

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1 UP TO THE NAPA COUNTY BORDER. IT'S BEEN A TERRIFIC -- BEEN A
2 TERRIFIC PARTNERSHIP A TERRIFIC EFFORT. MY UNDERSTANDING IS
3 THAT THAT PROJECT WILL BE GOING INTO CONSTRUCTION WITHIN 12 TO
4 18 MONTHS. PHILLIP, YOU CAN CORRECT ME IF YOU HAVE A DIFFERENT
5 UNDERSTANDING. THERE HAVE JUST BEEN A TON OF DIFFERENT FUNDING
6 SOURCES THAT HAVE COME TOGETHER WITH ATP MONEY. I HELPED TO
7 APPLY FOR AN URBAN GREENING GRANT THAT THINK WE'RE GOING TO
8 GET. THE THERE'S A HUGE VINE TRAIL CONTRIBUTION. STA HAS PUT
9 FORWARD A LOT OF THEIR MONEY AND FOUND SEVERAL GRANTS FOR
10 THIS. SO IT'S SUPER EXCITING. WE'RE REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO
11 THAT GETTING UNDER CONSTRUCTION. ALSO, IN CONSTRUCTION RIGHT
12 NOW IS THE CORTE MADERA CREEK CROSSING IN LARKSPUR THAT IS
13 RIGHT HERE IN CENTRAL MARIN. IT IS RIGHT NEXT TO THE LARKSPUR
14 FERRY AND THE SMART TRAIN STATION, AND THE IMPETUS FOR THAT
15 MANY, MANY YEARS AGO IN LIKE 2002 BEFORE I EVEN CAME ON WAS
16 ONE OF THE FIRST GRANTS FOR A PLANNING, DESIGN AND FEASIBILITY
17 STUDY, AND IT IS ACTUALLY GOING INTO CONSTRUCTION RIGHT NOW,
18 SO THAT'S GOING TO BE A 15-FOOT WIDE NEW CROSSING AT CORTE
19 MADERA CREEK AND SOME OTHER ATTENDANT CLASS 1 FACILITIES THAT
20 WILL BE FOLLOWING SHORTLY IN A PHASE 2 OF THAT. SO THAT'S A
21 GREAT NEW PROJECT THAT'S IN CONSTRUCTION RIGHT NOW, SHOULD BE
22 COMPLETED BY THE END OF THIS CALENDAR YEAR. WE HAVE OUR
23 COASTAL CONSERVANCY PROP 68 CALL FOR PROJECTS IS OUT ON THE
24 STREET RIGHT NOW, AND WE'RE GETTING SOME GOOD RESPONSE. WE
25 HAVE \$995,000 AVAILABLE FOR SEVERELY DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES

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1 AND \$445,000 IS AVAILABLE FOR NON-SEVERELY DISADVANTAGED
2 COMMUNITIES, AND AGAIN, OUR THANKS TO THE STATE COASTAL
3 CONSERVANCY FOR CONTINUING TO SUPPORT THE BAY TRAIL IN THIS
4 WAY, AND IT'S ALWAYS GREAT -- ALWAYS A GREAT PARTNERSHIP.
5 BEFORE LAURA LEFT US, SHE WAS ABLE TO SECURE WITH THE HELP OF
6 DAVID LEWIS FROM SAVE THE BAY, A \$160,000 DONATION TO THE SAN
7 FRANCISCO BAY TRAIL FROM A FAMILY FOUNDATION, THE SMART FAMILY
8 FOUNDATION, AND THAT MONEY IS TO GO TO HELP FUND A FEASIBILITY
9 STUDY ON THE SFO GAP, ABOUT 3-1/2 MILE GAP AROUND THE SAN
10 FRANCISCO AIRPORT, SO THAT'S GOING TO BE GETTING GOING. WE'RE
11 EXCITED TO HAVE THAT KIND OF FAMILY FOUNDATION SUPPORT. AND
12 LASTLY, SINCE WE WERE SOON TO BE ON THIS TRAIN OF RETIREMENTS,
13 I THINK MOST OF YOU KNOW THAT I'M ACTUALLY JOINING THOSE
14 RANKS, WHICH IS STRANGE BECAUSE I'M ONLY 22, BUT I AM -- I
15 WILL BE LEAVING THE BAY TRAIL PROJECT ON MY LAST DAY IS APRIL
16 9TH. DON'T MAKE ME CRY ON THIS ZOOM CALL. AND I'LL TURN IT
17 OVER TO -- UNLESS ANYONE HAS ANY QUESTIONS, I WILL TURN IT
18 OVER TO LEE. BILL HAS A QUESTION.

19

20 **BILL LONG:** QUESTION. FIRST OF ALL, THANKS FOR YOUR 22 YEARS.
21 YOU'VE GOTTEN A LOT DONE, AND YOU GOT A LOT OF THINGS UNDERWAY
22 THAT WILL GET DONE IN THE NEAR FUTURE, SO GREAT JOB.

23

24 **MAUREEN GAFFNEY:** ONLY 16-1/2, BUT THANK YOU.

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1 **BILL LONG:** WELL, MY QUESTION IS WHAT DO YOU HEAR FROM LAURA.

2 HOW IS SHE DOING?

3

4 **MAUREEN GAFFNEY:** LAURA IS DOING GREAT. SHE GOT -- THEY GOT

5 MARRIED. SHE'S STILL A HONEYMOON. SHE'S DISCOVERING SCOTLAND.

6 WE'RE FRIENDS ON INSTAGRAM AND I SEE LOTS OF GREAT PHOTOS FROM

7 HER. SO I THINK SHE'S DOING ALL RIGHT.

8

9 **PHILLIP SALES:** IF I MATE SAY IT'S BEEN, THE LAST FEW YEARS

10 WORKING WITHOUT JOINT PROJECT HAS BEEN AN ABSOLUTE PLEASURE,

11 AND IT'S GREAT TO HAVE YOU AS A PARTNER ON THE BAY TRAIL, AND

12 ALSO MY GOOD WISHES TO JOHN ON HIS RETIREMENT, TOO, BECAUSE

13 JOHN AND I HAVE OVERLAPPED LIKE THREE DIFFERENT TIMES NOW IN

14 THE LAST 30 YEARS.

15

16 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** 30 YEARS IS ENOUGH. ANYWAY.

17

18 **ROSEMARY CORBIN:** COULD I PUT IN MY TWO CENTS. I WANT TO THANK

19 MARIE FOR ALL OF THEY ARE GOOD WORK AND WISHING HER WELL ON

20 HER FUTURE IN COLORADO. AND STAY IN TOUCH.

21

22 **BRUCE BEYAERT:** I'D LIKE TO ASK IF LEE HUO CAN REMIND EVERYBODY

23 OF THE COMING FAIR WELL PARTY FOR MARIE. SEND ON IT AN EMAIL

24 ON THAT.

25

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1 **LEE HUO:** HOPEFULLY EVERYONE AS SHEEN IT BY NOW. HAD HOMEMADE
2 TO SEND IT OUT EARLIER. THERE'S GOING TO BE A LITTLE BIT OF A
3 ZOOM PARTY ON APRIL 8 FROM 4:00 TO 5:00 P.M., SO IF YOU
4 HAVEN'T CHECKED YOUR EMAILS RECENTLY TO SEE THAT, THERE'S A
5 ZOOM LINK IN THERE, SO PLEASE JOIN IN. WE WANT TO ROAST
6 MAUREEN A LITTLE BIT, SO IF YOU HAVE GOOD STORIES OR A GOOD
7 PHOTO, PLEASE DO SCHAUER THAT WITH BEN, V.J. AND I AS WE'RE
8 TRYING TO CREATE A LITTLE SHOW THAT WILL BE ENTERTAINING OR
9 FUN FOR EVERYONE, ESPECIALLY MAUREEN. WANT TO REWARD HER FOR
10 ALL HER YEARS OF DEDICATION TO THE BAY TRAIL PROJECT. ON A
11 PERSONAL LEVEL, I'M GOING TO MISS MAUREEN SO MUCH. THE BAY
12 TRAIL TEAM FOR THE LAST 16 YEARS FOR ME HAS BEEN LIKE BEING
13 PART OF A FAMILY, AND THIS IS ALMOST LIKE TWO SIBLINGS GO OFF
14 TO OTHER PARTS OF THEIR LIFE, SO I'M SO HAPPY FOR THEM BUT I'M
15 GOING TO MISS THEM SO MUCH. BUT I'M PART OF THE MTC TEAM SO
16 I'M LOOKING FOR TO GROWING A NEW AND LARGER FAMILY. WITH THAT,
17 I'LL GET BACK TO A LITTLE BIT OF BUSINESS. I SHOULD PROBABLY
18 MENTION I'M LEE HUO WITH THE BAY TRAIL PROJECT, FOR THE
19 PUBLIC. IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE WE MET SO I'M GOING TO TRY
20 TO DO THIS WILK QUICKLY. THERE'S BEEN A LOT GOING ON. A COUPLE
21 OF OPTION AT TRAILS, BUT I'LL SKIP THAT FOR NOW. THERE'S BEEN
22 A LOT OF PLANNING EFFORTS BOTH REGIONALLY AND THE EAST BAY BUT
23 THE BAY TRAIL PROJECT HAS BEEN PARTICIPATING IN. THE CITY OF
24 HAYWARD WORKING WITH HASPA IN THE EECT, THE HAYWARD SHORELINE
25 MASTER PLAN WHICH WAS COMPLETED TRYING TO FIGURE OUT BASICALLY

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1 HOW TO DEAL WITH SEA LEVEL RISE IN THE HAYWARD SHORELINE SPACE
2 AND HOW THE PUBLIC ACCESS WOULD BE ABLE TO RETREAT IN THEY'RE
3 WITH SEA LEVEL RISE AS WELL AS MANY OTHER FACILITIES THAT ARE
4 CRITICAL IN THAT SPACE, SO THAT IS COMPLETED AND A GREAT PLAN,
5 SO IF YOU HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE, TAKE A LOOK AT IT. WE'RE
6 CURRENTLY ACTIVELY WORKING WITH THE CITY OF FREMONT ALSO IN
7 DEVELOPMENTS OF THEIR FIRST EVER FREMONT TRAIL MASTER PLAN.
8 WE'RE ALSO WORKING WITH THE CITY OF ALAMEDA ON A BIKE AND
9 PEDESTRIAN PLAN WHICH WILL LIKELY RESULT IN A REALIGNMENT OF
10 THE BAY TRAIL I THINK THAT WILL FULFILL THE GOALS OF THE BAY
11 TRAIL A LITTLE BIT MORE CLOSELY, MOVING SOME OF THE TRAIL
12 SEGMENTS CLOSER TO SHORELINE AND THE LONG RUN, ESPECIALLY ON
13 THE ESTUARY SIDE. SO LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING THAT AND
14 PROBABLY BRINGING IT TO THE BOARD AT SOME POINT FOR
15 CONSIDERATION OF REALIGNMENT TO ACHIEVE THAT. WE'RE ALSO
16 PARTICIPATING WITH CALTRANS IN A COUPLE OF ACTIVITIES THAT
17 THEY'RE WORKING ON. DISTRICT 4 IS DEVELOPING THE FIRST-EVER
18 PEDESTRIAN PLAN, SO WE'RE WORKING WITH THEM ON THAT ON
19 PARTICIPATING ON THE COMMITTEE RELATED, AS WELL AS THE
20 CALTRANS BIKE HIGHWAY STUDY WHICH THEY'RE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT
21 HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN BEING ABLE TO IMPLEMENT THE CONCEPT OF A
22 BIKE SUPER HIGHWAY THROUGHOUT THE BAY AREA ALONG THEIR
23 CORRIDORS. MORE FUN STUFF. DESPITE THE PANDEMIC, WE'VE BEEN
24 ABLE TO DO SOME OUTREACH AS WELL, AND WE WERE ABLE TO WORK ON
25 MANY OF THOSE. BAY TRAIL CONFIDENTIAL, WHICH IS A ONLINE

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1 PROGRAM BASICALLY WHERE JUST THE REGULAR MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
2 APPROACHED US. HE'S NOT REALLY THAT REGULAR AS WE FOUND OUT.
3 HE ACTUALLY USED TO DO A LOT OF IN-PERSON TOURS. HE WORK WITH
4 THE SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS, THE OAKLAND MUSEUM, AND SAN
5 FRANCISCO CITY GUIDES. SO HE STARTED A PROGRAM OF ONLINE BAY
6 TRAIL PROGRAMS, HIGHLIGHTING DIFFERENT ASPECTS OF THE BAY
7 TRAIL AND DIFFERENT PLACES OF THE BAY TRAIL IT. STARTED BACK
8 IN DECEMBER, I BELIEVE, AND WE'RE ON OUR EPISODE COMING UP ON
9 THE 7TH OF APRIL. IT AIRS THE FIRST WEDNESDAY AT 7:00 P.M.
10 EVERY MONTH, AND THIS NEXT EPISODE WE'RE GOING TO BE FOCUSING
11 ON THEELL VISO AREA. IT'S BEEN GROWING IN INTEREST AND
12 PARTICIPATION AND HAS SOME PRETTY HIGH PARTICIPATION THE LAST
13 COUPLE EPISODES. TWO EPISODES AGO WHERE BRUCE BEYAERT WAS ABLE
14 TO JOIN US AND FOCUSED ON THE CITY OF RICHMOND. ALSO HAD
15 CONTRA COSTA SUPERVISOR JOHN JOY WITH US ON THAT, INVOLVED 283
16 PARTICIPATES, I BELIEVE, 2S OUR CURRENTLY RECORD. AT THE LAST
17 ONE THAT BEN WAS INVOLVED IN AND PRESENTED ABOUT THE WATER
18 TRAIL AND TALKED ABOUT THE JOINT EFFORTS THAT WE HAVE WITH
19 RIDGE TRAIL ON THE CARTINAS STRAIGHT SCENIC LOOP TRAIL, THAT
20 GARNERED ABOUT 180 OR SO PARTICIPANTS SO IT'S BEEN A GREAT WAY
21 FOR US TO CONTINUE TO HAVE OUTREACH EVEN DURING THE PANDEMIC.
22 WE'RE ALSO WORKING WITH DOUG MCCONNELL ON A NEW OPEN ROAD
23 EPISODE WHICH WE'RE HOPING WE'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO FILM IN
24 THE FIRST WEEK OF APRIL, AND IT WILL AIR EITHER IN THE
25 BEGINNING OF MAY OR MID-MAY AT THIS POINT. ANDY FROME EAR IS

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1 GOING TO BE A PART OF THAT AT MTC AND BE ONE OF THE GUESTS.
2 WE'RE GOING TO BE FOCUSING ON THE CONCEPT OF BAY TRAIL AND THE
3 FUTURE PLANNING OF DEALING -- -- WITH RESILIENCE AND SEA LEVEL
4 RISE AND MOVING THE BAY TRAIL TOWARD ITS CAPABILITIES OF BEING
5 AN ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION CORRIDOR, SO JUST KIND OF LOOKING AT
6 FUTURE VISIONING AND GIVING PEOPLE OPTIMISM AFTER A VERY TOUGH
7 YEAR. AND THE LAST THING I WANT TO TALK ABOUT IN OUTREACH IS
8 SAVE THE BAY OVER LAST YEAR, LAST YEAR WE PARTNERED WITH THEM
9 IN A LITTLE BIT MORE INTIMATE I. WA WHERE WE WORKED WITH THEM
10 TO HAVE AN OUTREACH PROGRAM THAT WAS A MONTH LONG FOR THEIR
11 BAY DAY PROGRAM WHICH TURNED OUT TO BE A BAY MONTH MORE THAN
12 ANYTHING WHERE THEY ASKED PEOPLE TO FIND DIFFERENT WAYS TO
13 ENJOY AND PARTICIPATE ON BAY TRAIL FOR PRIZES AND FUN LININGS
14 THINGS LIKE THAT -- -- IT WAS QUITE SUCCESSFUL, AND WE'RE
15 PLANNING TO WORK WITH THEM AGAIN NEXT YEAR FOR A SIMILAR TYPE
16 OF OUTREACH ON BAY DAY WHICH I THINK IS GOING TO BE A BAY
17 MONTH ONCE AGAIN. WITH THAT, I'LL TURN IT OVER TO VIJAY OR BEN
18 IF THEY HAVE ANYTHING.

19

20 **BEN:** SURE. I'M HAPPY TO PROVIDE A FEW UPDATES ON WATER TRAIL
21 BUT I WANT TO SAY THANKS TO MAUREEN FOR ALL OF HER SERVICE AND
22 I'VE LEARNED SO MANY OF FOR HER AND IT'S BEEN SO GREAT WORKING
23 WITH HER THESE THE LAST SIX YEARS. HARD TO BELIEVE IT'S SIX
24 YEARS ALREADY. YOU'LL BE SO MISSED AND WE'LL BE STAYING IN
25 TOUCH. BUT SORRY TO NOT HAVE THE DAY-TO-DAY ANY LONGER.

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1 UPDATES ON THE WATER TRAIL, WE ARE UP TO 53 OFFICIALLY
2 DESIGNATED SITES NOW. MOST REASONABLE OUR LAST TWO WERE CRANE
3 COVE PARK IN SAN FRANCISCO, WHICH IS REALLY JUST A SPECTACULAR
4 PARK FOR THOSE THAT HAVEN'T VISITED IT YET. HAS A REALLY NICE
5 WIDE SANDY BEACH AND FUTURE HOME OF THE BOATHOUSE, SO I THINK
6 IT'S REALLY GOING TO BECOME A HUB NON-MOTORIZED BOATING AND
7 RECREATION ALONG THE SAN FRANCISCO SHORELINE AS WELL AS BAY
8 POINT REGIONAL SHORELINE WHICH IS UP IN EASTERN CONTRA COSTA
9 COUNTY AND PROVIDES GREAT ACCESS TO THE SACRAMENTO, SAN
10 JOAQUIN RESERVE. GREAT FACILITY DEVELOPED BY THE EAST BAY PARK
11 PROJECT. WE ARE CURRENTLY IN THE PROCESS OF CLOSING OUT GRANT
12 1 WITH THE STATE COASTAL CONSERVANCY WHICH WAS FUNDED THE
13 WATER TRAIL SINCE 2011, AND SO LOTS OF -- BEEN DETAILS A LOT
14 OF THE PROGRESS THAT HAS OCCURRED IN THE LAST DECADE THERE,
15 AND I KNOW A LOT OF FOLKS ON THE CALL HERE HAVE BEEN INVOLVED
16 IN THAT, AND SO I WANT TO I. THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR EFFORTS
17 AND IT'S BEEN FUN TO JUST SEE HOW FAR THE PROGRAM'S COME. AND
18 COUPLE ARE WORKING ON BLOCK GRANT NUMBER 2 RIGHT NOW. WE HAVE
19 TWO GRANTS THAT WE'RE ACTIVELY DEVELOPING WORKING WITH EAST
20 BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT TO GET A.D.A. ACCESS TO THE BEACH
21 AT PINOLE AND THAT WOULD SUPPORT THE CAMPGROUND THERE, ONE OF
22 THREE CAMPGROUNDS THAT HAVE KAYAKING ACCESS, REALLY IMPORTANT
23 FOR THE MULTI-DAY TRIP ASPECT OF THE WATER TRAIL. WE'RE ALSO
24 WORKING WITH LITERACY FOR ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE DOWN AT
25 CANDLESTICK STATE RECREATION AREA. THEY'VE -- THEY'RE DOING A

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1 LOT OF GREAT OUTREACH PROGRAMS, KAYAK PROGRAMS, AND SO WORKING
2 WITH THEM TO HELP SUPPORT THEIR PROGRAMMING NEEDS. AND LASTLY
3 I WANT TO JUST MENTION THAT WE'VE ALSO BEEN WORKING WITH THE
4 SOLANO TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY. THEY'VE BEEN ADVANCING SOME
5 PUBLIC ACCESS OPTIONS AS PART OF THE HIGHWAY 37 PROJECT. THESE
6 ARE SOME SORT OF NEARER TERM AS WELL AS MIDTERM AND LONGER
7 TERM IMPROVEMENTS FOCUSED IN THE MAYOR ISLAND, VALLEJO AREA,
8 AND THAT'S A KEY SPOT FOR THE WATER TRAIL WHERE THERE'S SORT
9 OF LIMITED EXISTING ACCESS, AND SO EXCITED ABOUT SOME
10 OPPORTUNITIES TO MOVE SOME PROJECTS FORWARD THERE. SO WITH
11 THAT I'LL HAND IT OFF TO VIJAY.

12
13 **VIJAY KESAVAN:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS VIJAY. I
14 HAVE BEEN WITH THE BAY TRAIL TEAM EVERY SO RECENTLY WAS OF
15 LAST YEAR COME MARCH WHEN I FIRST STARTED WORKING ON THE
16 PRIORITY CONSERVATION AREA PROGRAM. AND SINCE LAURA THOMAS'
17 RETIREMENT HAVE BEEN SUPPORTING THE BAY TRAIL PLANNING FOR THE
18 SOUTH BAY. THIS IS MY FIRST BOARD MEETING. I AM. I'M LEARNING
19 A LOT AND I LOOK FORWARD TO HOPEFULLY MEETING SOME OF YOU IN
20 PERSON SOME DAY.

21
22 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** IS THAT IT FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS?

23
24 **ELLEN JOHNCK:** JOHN. CAN I COMMENT ON THE ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THE
25 STAFF REPORT?

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2 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** PLEASE DO.

3

4 **ELLEN JOHNCK:** HI, EVERYONE. IT'S SO GREAT TO SEE EVERYONE.

5 TALK ABOUT A FAMILY. MAUER EVEN AND I, AND I WANT TO THANK

6 MAUREEN, WE GO BACK TO THE PORT OF OAKLAND WHEN SHE WORKED

7 THERE AND DID ALL THESE PILOT PROJECTS TO SEE WHAT WE COULD DO

8 TO EXTEND PUBLIC ACCESS AROUND THE MARINE TERMINALS. AND WE

9 DID THAT AND WORKED WITH LEE OVER THERE AS WELL, AND PRIOR TO

10 LAURA EVEN WITH JANET MCBRIDE, ET CETERA. SO I'M GOING TO MISS

11 MAUREEN. I MISS LAURA. I'M GLAD TO HEAR SHE'S DOING WELL. AND,

12 LEE, I'M GLAD YOU'RE STILL THERE. AND NICE TO MEET THE OTHER

13 MEMBERS OF THE STAFF. I DID WANT TO SAY THAT I'M REAL EXCITED

14 ABOUT MY PROJECTS AS ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANT AND

15 ARCHAEOLOGIST IN THE BAY AREA. I SEE WENDY PROCTOR IS ON FOR

16 THE PORT OF SAN FRANCISCO. MANY OF MY PROJECTS RIGHT NOW ARE

17 BASED IN SAN FRANCISCO. THAT'S WHERE I LIVE, CONNECTING

18 THE BAY TRAIL WITH MANY OF MY PROJECTS THERE AND WORKING WITH

19 THE PORT AND ALSO SAN MATEO COUNTY DOING SOME WORK THERE. I'M

20 REALLY EXCITED ABOUT WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN DOWN AROUND

21 BRISBANE WITH ONE OF MY PROJECTS. SO -- AND THEN JUST FINALLY,

22 TALK ABOUT FAMILY, DURING COVID MY GRANDCHILDREN'S SCHOOL IN

23 OAKLAND FOUND OUT WHAT I DO, AND I'VE BEEN GIVING

24 PRESENTATIONS TO ALL THE CLASSES AT THE KIDS' ELEMENTARY

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1 SCHOOL AND THE BAY TRAIL IS VERY PROMINENTLY FEATURED. THANK
2 YOU.

3

4 **ANTOINETTE ROMEO:** JOHN, I'VE GOT A QUESTION OF LEE. ARE THE
5 PRIOR BAZE TRAY CONFIDENTIAL PROGRAMS AVAILABLE ON YOUTUBE OR
6 SOME OTHER WAY SO PEOPLE CAN SEE PRIOR EPISODES? ARE THERE
7 ANY PLANS TO -- I DON'T KNOW -- BUT A LINK ON BAY TRAIL MTC
8 WEBSITE SO OTHER PEOPLE CAN SEE THAT AND DO A LITTLE BIT MORE
9 OUTREACH FOR IT?

10

11 **LEE HUO:** YEAH, WE CAN DEFINITELY LOOK INTO DOING A LITTLE BIT
12 MORE OUTREACH ON OUR WEBSITE. WE'RE ACTUALLY IN THE PROCESS OF
13 POTENTIALLY REDEVELOPING OUR BAY TRAIL WEBSITE AGAIN SO WE
14 WILL LOOK AND INTEGRATE THAT IN, AND WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO PUT
15 THEM ON OUR CALENDARS AS WELL. SO IN TERMS OF THE RE
16 BROADCAST, I'VE KIND OF WORKED WITH RODNEY PAUL WHO IS THE
17 PERSON WHO IS DOING THE BAY TRAIL CONFIDENTIALS. THE DECISION
18 WAS MADE FOR LEGAL REASONS BECAUSE OF IMAGE RIGHTS, THAT KIND
19 OF THING, TO NOT HAVE IT ON CALL AVAILABLE AS A LINK, BUT HE
20 DOES RE-BROADCAST THEM OCCASIONALLY. HE DOES MAKE
21 ANNOUNCEMENTS ABOUT THOSE RE-BROADCASTS IF YOU GO TO HIS SITE
22 ON CITY GUIDE, THERE'S A LOT OF INFORMATION RELATED TO THAT.
23 BUT THAT'S A GOOD QUESTION.

24

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1 **BRUCE BEYAERT:** LEE, WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE TO SEND BOARD MEMBERS
2 RODNEY'S PERIODIC ANNOUNCEMENTS OF COMING BAY TRAIL SHOWS?

3

4 **LEE HUO:** ABSOLUTELY. I THINK THAT'S A GOOD IDEA, ACTUALLY.
5 I'LL MAKE A NOTE OF THAT AND START DOING THAT.

6

7 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** ARE THERE ANY OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS?
8 HEARING NONE, NOW WE'RE GOING TO MOVE TO THE ACTION ITEM OF
9 FILLING VACANCIES ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. AND I'LL JUST
10 TURN THIS RIGHT OVER TO MAUREEN BECAUSE SHE IS BEEN INVOLVED
11 WITH IT ALTOGETHER.

12

13 **MAUREEN GAFFNEY:** THANK YOU, JOHN. SO, YEAH, YOU HAVE A MEMO IN
14 YOUR PACKET. WE HAVE THREE BAY TRAIL BOARD MEMBERS OR
15 ALTERNATES RESIGN THEIR POSITIONS, AND SEVEN INDIVIDUALS
16 INDICATED THEIR INTEREST IN REPRESENTING THEIR RESPECTIVE
17 AGENCIES ON BAY TRAIL WORK, AND THE RESIGNATIONS INCLUDE DAVID
18 DUPRE FROM THE PORT OF SAN FRANCISCO. HE HAS MOVED INTO A
19 DIFFERENT DIVISION. HE IS MOVED INTO THE REAL ESTATE DIVISION
20 AND RECOMMENDED WENDY PROCTOR AS A REPLACEMENT. INA GEARHART
21 WAS AN ALTERNATE FROM CALTRANS DISTRICT 4. SHE WAS THE BICYCLE
22 AND PEDESTRIAN BRANCH, SINCE WE HAVEN'T HAD A MEETING ANY
23 WHILE THIS GOES BACK A WAYS, AND SO WE HAVE ERIC ALM UP FOR
24 HER REPLACEMENT AND KELLY MALINOWSKI WAS AN ALTERNATE FROM THE
25 STATE COASTAL CONSERVANCY AND ROY MCENESPY IS INTERESTED IN

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1 TAKING HER PLACE. BEFORE I INVITE ANY OF THE POTENTIAL
2 APPOINTEES TO SAY A FEW WORDS, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO, ALSO WANT
3 TO MENTION, AND I'M SURE THAT EVERYBODY KNOWS THIS, BUT SINCE
4 WE HAVEN'T GATHERED IN A WHILE, WE DID HAVE THE PASSING OF A
5 BAY TRAIL BOARD MEMBER JIM FORAN JANUARY 26TH OF 2020. SO WE
6 SURE APPRECIATED ALL OF JIM'S EFFORTS ON NOT ONLY THE BAY
7 TRAIL BOARD. HE WAS ALSO A LONGTIME MEMBER OF THE RIDGE TRAIL
8 COUNCIL'S BOARD AND WAS A VERY DEDICATED, VERY DEDICATED
9 SERVANT TO TRAILS AND PUBLIC ACCESS ALL AROUND THE BAY FOR
10 MANY YEARS, AND WE WILL CERTAINLY MISS HIS CONTRIBUTIONS.
11 WOULD ANY OF THE -- I'LL CALL ON THE POTENTIAL APPOINTEES AND
12 THEN YOU CAN SAY A FEW WORDS IF YOU WOULD LIKE, AND IF YOU
13 DON'T, THEN YOU DO NOT HAVE TO. WENDY PROCTOR FROM THE PORT OF
14 SAN FRANCISCO, WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY A FEW WORDS?

15

16 **WENDY PROCTOR:** HI EVERYBODY. MY NAME IS WENDY PROCTOR. I'VE
17 BEEN WITH THE PORT OF SAN FRANCISCO FOR 15 YEARS COME JUNE.
18 AND I'M SUPER EXCITED ABOUT THIS OPPORTUNITY AND VERY
19 OUTDOORSY PERSON AND I'M JUST -- THIS IS -- I'M VERY EXCITED.
20 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND I'M GOING TO TAG ALONG WITH
21 EVERYBODY, MAUREEN, AND SAY I'M SORRY I WON'T GET MORE
22 OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH YOU, WHAT LITTLE I HAVE WITH BOTH YOU
23 AND LAURA HAVE BEEN REALLY GREAT.

24

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1 **MAUREEN GAFFNEY:** WONDERFUL. THANK YOU, WENDY. SEAN DOUGAN,
2 TRAIL BAY MANAGER AT EAST BAY PARKS DISTRICT.

3

4 **SEAN DOUGAN:** HI, EVERYONE. I'VE BEEN WORKING WITH BAY FOR 15
5 YEARS OUT NOW AND A LOT OF MY FOCUS HAS BEEN ON CONSTRUCTING
6 AND STUDYING AND CLOSING GAPS IN THE EAST BAY. IT IS A FULL-
7 TIME JOB, AND SO I'M VERY FAMILIAR WITH THE CHALLENGES AND
8 OPPORTUNITIES, AND I'M REALLY HONORED TO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY
9 TO BE AMONGST ALL OF YOU AND HOPEFULLY INFLUENCE THE REGION
10 INTO MAKING SOME OF THESE GAPS EASIER TO CLOSE AND LEARNING
11 MORE FROM ALL OF YOU. SO THANKS FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE
12 HERE.

13

14 **MAUREEN GAFFNEY:** GREAT. THANK YOU, SEAN. AND SUSANNE WILSON AS
15 AN ALTERNATE TO SEAN DOUGAN, ALSO FROM EAST BAY PARK DISTRICT.

16

17 HI, EVERYBODY. SUZANNE WILSON, SENIOR PLANNER IN THE
18 DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT. I WORK FOR SEAN. AND I AM VERY
19 EXCITED TO BE CONSIDERED ANSWER ALTERNATE TO REPRESENT EAST
20 BAY PARKS ON THE BOARD. LIKE SEAN, I HAVE HAD SOME EXPERIENCE
21 CLOSING GAPS IN THE BAY TRAIL AND HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN
22 PROJECTS FROM A FEASIBILITY LEVEL TO FULL DESIGN AND HAVE COME
23 TO UNDERSTAND MY LAST TEN YEARS WORKING WITH THE PARK DISTRICT
24 THE COMPLEX TIS BUT YET THE IMPORTANCE OF A REGIONAL TRAIL OF
25 THIS NATURE. PRIOR TO WORKING FOR EAST BAY PARKS I WORKED FOR

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1 PACIFIC CREST TRAIL ASSOCIATION, WHICH IS PACIFIC CREST TRAIL
2 IS A BIT OF A DIFFERENT BEAST AS IT TRAVELS THE BACKBONE OF
3 THE SIERRA AND THE CASCADES, BUT CERTAINLY UNDERSTOOD AND
4 GAINED A DEEP APPRECIATION FOR THE VALUE THAT LONG DISTANCE
5 CONTIGUOUS RECREATIONAL FACILITIES PROVIDE.

6

7 **MAUREEN GAFFNEY:** WONDERFUL. THANK YOU, SUZANNE. AND MOIRA
8 MCENESPY.

9

10 **BRENDA BUXTON:** I DON'T THINK MOIRA IS ON SO WOULD YOU LIKE ME
11 TO GIVE A LITTLE SKETCH?

12

13 **MAUREEN GAFFNEY:** SURE.

14

15 **BRENDA BUXTON:** MANY OF YOU KNOW MOIRA. SHE WAS STAFF AT THE
16 RIDGE TRAIL FOR A WHILE AFTER SHE LEFT THE CONSERVANCY AND
17 BEFORE THAT SHE WAS THE ASSISTANT. SHE HAD MY JOB AT THE
18 CONSERVANCY AND THEN SHE LEFT AND WENT TO RIDGE TRAIL AND HAS
19 HAD OTHER JOBS. THEN SHE CAME BACK AND NOW SHE'S MY BOSS, SO
20 MAYBE I SHOULD BE HER ALTERNATE ACTUALLY, BUT, YOU KNOW, HERE
21 WE ARE. SO I'D BE HAPPY, IF YOU HAVE ANY DOUBTS ABOUT OR
22 QUESTIONS, I SHOULD SAY, ABOUT HER QUALIFICATIONS, SHE'S THE
23 PROGRAM MANAGER, WORKED PUBLIC ON ACCESS, BIG SUPPORTER, AND
24 SO I'M HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU HAVE.

25

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1 **MAUREEN GAFFNEY:** GREAT. THANK YOU, BRENDA. ERIC ALM IS SAN
2 ANTONIO ALTERNATE FROM CALTRANS DISTRICT FOR.

3

4 **ERIK ALM:** I'M ERIK ALM. I'M IN DISTRICT PLANNING IN DISTRICT
5 4. WE OVERSEE AND LEAD A GREAT DEAL OF ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION
6 INFRASTRUCTURE. AND PARTNERING WITH MANY OF YOU TOWARDS
7 CLOSING BAY TRAIL GAPS AND IMPROVING ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION
8 NETWORKS OVERSAUL. ONE ITEM WE'RE PARTICULARLY PROUD OF
9 RECENTLY IS THE REASONABLE ATP PROGRAM MTC STAFF
10 RECOMMENDATION INCLUDED THE IDC CENTRAL HEAD BIKE IMPROVEMENT
11 PROJECT. THE \$4 MILLION PROJECT THAT ELIMINATES I80 AS AN
12 ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION BARRIER BETWEEN THE BAY, SOME
13 DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES IN RICHMOND AND THE SCHOOL DETAIL
14 AND PARK IN EL CERRITO, AND IT'S ALSO ENABLING BETTER -- WILL
15 ENABLE BETTER CONNECTIVITY BETWEEN THE PARK AND THE BAY TRAIL
16 IN THAT AREA. I'VE BEEN WITH CALTRANS FOR OVER 20 YEARS NOW
17 WITH AS A TRANSPORTATION PLANNER AND AM VERY HAPPY TO
18 REPRESENT CALTRANS AS DEAN'S ALTERNATE. AND I'M ALSOY PLEASED
19 TO SAY WE HAVE A VERY GOOD WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH BAY TRAIL
20 STAFF AND LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING THAT.

21

22 **MAUREEN GAFFNEY:** GREAT. THANK YOU, ERIK. WE'RE SUPER HAPPY TO
23 HAVE YOUR APPLICATION HERE FOR PARTICIPATION. ANDREA GAFFNEY,
24 NO RELATION.

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1 **ANDREA GAFFNEY:** I WAS GOING TO SAY, YOU'LL STILL HAVE A
2 GAFFNEY AROUND ON THE BAY TRAIL WHEN MAUREEN LEAVES BUT, YEAH,
3 WE ARE NOT RELATED, NOT THAT WE KNOW OF, ANYWAY. I'M ANDREA
4 GAFFNEY. I'M THE SENIOR BAY DESIGNER ANALYST AT BCDC. I WILL
5 BE THE ALTERNATE FROM BCDC, THE ALTERNATE TO LAVINE. I HAVE
6 BEEN WORKING FOR BCDC FOR ALMOST FIVE YEARS NOW. MY ROLE IS
7 TECHNICAL ADVISORY TO THE PERMITTING STAFF AND THE PLANNING
8 STAFF ON ALL THINGS PUBLIC ACCESS. SO BACKGROUND IN
9 ARCHITECTURE, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE, URBAN DESIGN, AND I
10 FACILITATE ALL OF THE PUBLIC ACCESS PERMIT CONDITIONS THROUGH
11 DESIGN REVIEW IN THE PRE-APPLICATION NEGOTIATION PROCESS, AND
12 THEN ONCE THE PERMITS GET ISSUED, I ALSO DO OR OVERSEE THE
13 PLAN REVIEW FOR IMPLEMENTATION, AND A LOT OF THAT PUBLIC
14 ACCESS IS THE BAY TRAIL, SO WE WORK TO ENSURE THAT THE PIECES
15 ARE CONSTRUCTED AND OPENED AND THEN ALSO HAVE APPROPRIATE
16 AMENITIES AND CONNECTIONS AND THINGS LIKE THAT. I'M ALSO AN
17 AVID CYCLIST AND USER OF THE BAY TRAIL, LOVE THE BAY TRAIL AND
18 THE WATER TRAIL. THAT'S ME.

19

20 **MAUREEN GAFFNEY:** GREAT. THANK YOU, MS. GAFFNEY. NEXT WE HAVE
21 REBECCA COATES MALDOON WHO IS THE NEW COUNTYWIDE PROGRAM
22 MANAGER FOR SANTA CLARA PARKS AND RECREATION ACCEPT IS REBECCA
23 ON?

24

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1 **REFEREE:** GOOD MORNING. AS MAUREEN MENTIONED I'M REBECCA COATES
2 MALDOON, THE COUNTYWIDE TRAILS MANAGER WITH SANTA CLARA PARKS
3 AND REC. I HAVE WORKED ON BAY TRAIL SEGMENTS, INCLUDING IN A
4 WUMPLE YOU IN MY FORMER POSITIONS WITH BCDC. IN MY ROLE AS
5 SANTA CLARA COUNTY PARKS I AM MANNING NIGH PROGRAM THAT IS
6 DEDICATED TO IMPLEMENTING THE COUNTYWIDE TRAILS MASTER PLAN
7 WHICH ENVISIONS A REGION NETWORK OF OVER 800 MILES OF TRAILS
8 THROUGHOUT SANTA CLARA COUNTY INCLUDING PORTIONS HAVE BAY
9 TRAIL. I AM VERY INTERESTED IN JOINING THE BAY TRAIL BOARD TO
10 COORDINATED LINKAGES BETWEEN THE BAY TRAIL AND SANTA CLARA
11 COUNTY'S TRAIL NETWORK AND TO WORK TO SUPPORT REGIONAL
12 CONNECTIVITY AND ACCESS ALONG THE SHORELINE. SO THANK YOU.

13

14 **MAUREEN GAFFNEY:** WONDERFUL. THANKS, EVERYONE, FOR GIVING THOSE
15 BRIEF BIOS OF YOURSELF AND FOR SUBMITTING YOUR LETTERS OF
16 INTEREST. I'M GOING TO HAND IT BACK TO YOU, CHAIR WOODBURY.

17

18 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** SO ARE THERE ANY COMMENTS, QUESTIONS,
19 OTHER INPUT THAT PEOPLE WOULD LOOK LIKE TO MAKE BEFORE THERE'S
20 A MOTION?

21

22 **BRUCE BEYAERT:** YES, JOHN. I'VE SEEN SEAN DOUGAN AND SUZANNE
23 FOR MANY YEARS AND I'M GLAD THEY'RE ON THE VERGE OF JOINING
24 THE BOARD. THEY PROBABLY MORE THAN ANYONE WHO IS CURRENTLY ON
25 THE BOARD HAVE HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE IN DESIGNING AND OPERATION

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1 MULTI-USE TRAILS, INCLUDING SOME VERY, VERY CHALLENGING BAY
2 TRAIL BRIDGES AND THINGS THAT THEY HAVE BUILT AS PART OF THE
3 EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT BAY TRAIL PROGRAM. THEY HAVE
4 BEEN OF GREAT ASSISTANCE TO THE BOARD. I'VE ALSO KNOWN
5 MCENESPY IN PREVIOUS YEARS THERE THEIR PREVIOUS INCARNATIONS
6 OF RIDGE TRAIL, THE EMPORIUM. SHE'LL MAKE A WONDERFUL
7 ALTERNATE TO BRANDY.

8

9 **DON WEDEN:** JOHN, THIS IS DON WEDEN. A QUESTION. PROCEDURAL TO
10 SAVE TIME CAN WE AVOID DOING ROLL CALL VOTES ON EACH ONE OF
11 THEM AND DO ONE VOTE FOR THE WHOLE GROUP?

12

13 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN DO ONE ROLL FOR THE WHOLE
14 GROUP BUT IT DOES HAVE TO BE ROLL CALL FOR THE MOTION. A
15 MOTION FOR THE WHOLE GROUP. IS THAT A MOTION, DON?

16

17 **DON WEDEN:** I WOULD SO MOVE, YES, PLEASE.

18

19 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** SO THERE'S A MOTION. IS THERE A SECOND.

20

21 **BRUCE BEYAERT:** I'LL SECONDED.

22

23 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** SECOND BY BRUCE BEYAERT. I'LL COMMENTED
24 I'M THRILLED TO EACH SUCH TALENTED PEOPLE COMING ONTO THE
25 BOARD, AS SOME OF US WITH GRAY HAIRS GET LESS ENERGY IT'S SAN

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1 CLEMENTE TO HAVE NEW ENERGY COMING ALONG AND TO KEEP THIS
2 ALIVE GOING FORWARD. WITH THAT WE HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND.
3 IF THERE ARE NO OTHER COMMENTS --

4

5 **ANTOINETTE ROMEO:** I HAVE A COMMENT BUT I'LL SAFETY UNTIL AFTER
6 THE MOTION IS FINISHED WITH THE ROLL CALL. OR DO YOU WANT ME
7 TO SAY IT NOW? OKAY. SAY IT NOW. OKAY. I'VE BEEN ON THE BAY
8 TRAIL BOARD FOR GOING ON 15 YEARS, AND THE PARKS DEPARTMENT --
9 THE ROLE REBECCA IS GOING TO BE TAKING MIGHT BE SLIGHTLY
10 DIFFERENTLY THAN THE ROLE. I WAS A SENIOR PLANNER AND MORE
11 INVOLVED IN GETTING THE BAY TRAIL UP AND RUNNING, ESPECIALLY
12 IN THAL VEES OH AREA AND DID ALVIA AREA. ACTUALLY ALVISO WAS
13 THE FIRST SITE AND I WAS INVOLVED UNTIL SOUTH BAY SALT PONDS
14 RESTORATION PROJECT AND THAT IS HAS A COMPONENT OF THE BAY
15 TRAIL SO I'M GOING TO BE PROVIDING WHATEVER REBECCA NEEDS WITH
16 MY TIME LEFT AS FAR AS BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND WOULD BE
17 VERY HAPPY TO VIJAY ANY INFORMATION THAT SHE NEEDS ABOUT WHAT
18 I'VE DONE OR WHAT'S BEEN DONE IN SOUTH BAY AND KIND OF BRING
19 REBECCA IN AND SO SHE'S NOT JUST KIND OF -- BECAUSE SHE JUST
20 STARTED, AND I DON'T THINK HER ROLE HAS BEEN DEFINED YET. I'M
21 NOT SURE. BUT I'D BE VERY HAPPY TO HELP THEM BOTH OUT IF THEY
22 HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE SALT PONDS, THE SOUTH BAY, AND
23 THE BAY TRAIL. AND WITH THAT, I WILL SAY -- [INAUDIBLE]

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1 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WOULD COMMENT
2 SOMETHING THAT WAS MENTION TODAY ME MANY YEARS AGO WAS ONCE
3 GET INVOLVE WITH A PROJECT, YOU NEVER LET IT GO, SO EVEN
4 PEOPLE GETTING OFF THE BOARD, YOU'RE STILL INVOLVED AND ALWAYS
5 WILL BE. THERE'S ONLY ONE EXIT OUT OF HERE, AND THAT'S LEAVING
6 THE WORLD COMPLETELY. ANYWAY --

7

8 **ROSEMARY CORBIN:** I NEED TO COMMENT ON THAT. I'M MAYBE THE ONLY
9 ONE LEFT WHO WAS HERE ON DAY ONE, AND AT THAT TIME I WAS AN
10 ELECTED OFFICIAL AND NOW I'M A PUBLIC REPRESENTATIVE AND I CAN
11 CERTAINLY SECOND WHAT WAS JUST SAID. YOU STAY. AND I LOVE IT.
12 THANKS.

13

14 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** MCADAM WAS THERE AT THE SAME TIME YOU
15 WERE. CHRISTINE. AND DON. OKAY. THREE.

16

17 **ROSEMARY CORBIN:** THREE OF US.

18

19 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** SOME PEOPLE NEVER LET GO.

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21 **ROSEMARY CORBIN:** WE MET AT A CHURCH IN NORTH BERKELEY.

22

23 **BILL KEENE:** EVER.

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1 **BILL LONG:** IT'S LIKE THE OLD EAGLE'S SONG, YOU CAN CHECK OUT
2 ANY TIME BUT YOU CAN NEVER LEAVE.

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4 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** I THINK THAT'S RIGHT. SO WERE THAT,
5 FRED, COULD YOU DO THE ROLL CALL.

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7 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** AND NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR
8 HANDS RAISED AND NO COMMENTS WERE SUBMITTED FOR THIS ITEM SO
9 THIS IS THE ROLL CALL FOR THE APPOINTMENTS. BRUCE BAY ART.

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11 **BRUCE BEYAERT:** YES.

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13 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** JUDY BOND BRANT.

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15 **JULIE BONDURANT, CO-CHAIR:** YES.

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19 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** BRANDY A BUXTON IS ABSENT.

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21 **BRENDA BUXTON:** NO. SORRY, I'M HERE. YES. I COULDN'T FIND MY
22 MUTE BUTTON.

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24 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** JOHN COLEMAN IS ABSENT. ROSE MAYOR CORBIN.

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1 **ROSEMARY CORBIN:** AYE.

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3 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** CORINNE DEBRA IS ABSENT. NANCE DONATI IS
4 ABSENT. LEO DUBOSE. LEO DUBOSE, I THOUGHT I SAW YOU JOIN. LEO?
5 LEO DUBOSE.

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7 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** LEO IS OH BUT HE IS MUTED IT LOOKS LIKE.

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9 **FRED CASTRO:** I NEED FOR HIM TO SAY HIS VOTE SO I'LL MARK HIM
10 AS ABSENT UNLESS HE CHIMES IN. JEAN FINNEY. IS ABSENT. MINANE
11 JAMISON IS ABSENT. ELLEN JOHNCK.

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13 **ELLEN JOHNCK:** YES.

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15 BILL KEENE.

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17 YES.

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19 JOSEPH LACLAIR.

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21 **PHILLIP SALES:** YES.

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23 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** ETHAN LAVINE.

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25 **ETHAN LAVINE:** YES.

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2 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** DAVID LEWIS IS ABSENT. BILL LONG.

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4 **BILL LONG:** YES.

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6 **JUDITH MALAMUT:** YES.

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8 **STEVE MCADAM:** YES.

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10 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** JULIA MILLER IS ABSENT. RICK PARMER IS
11 ABSENT. JUAN RAIGOZA.

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13 **JUAN RAIGOZA:** YES.

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15 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** ANTOINETTE ROMEO.

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17 **ANTOINETTE ROMEO:** YES.

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19 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** DIANE ROSS-LEECH IS ABSENT. ANA RUIZ.

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21 **ANA RUIZ:** YES.

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23 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** PHILLIP SALES.

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25 **PHILLIP SALES:** YES.

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2 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** LINDA STONIER IS ABSENT. DON WEDEN.

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4 **DON WEDEN:** YES.

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6 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** THANK YOU. JOHN COOD WOODBURY.

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8 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** YES.

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10 **LEO DUBOSE:** THIS IS LEO DUBOSE. I VOTE YES ALSO.

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12 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** THANK YOU, SIR.

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14 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** MOVING ON TO ITEM 6 ON THE AGENDA WHICH
15 IS THIS IS INFORMATION ITEM ONLY BEING PRESENTED BY ASHLEY AND
16 TOSHI, I BELIEVE TALKING ABOUT THE STATUS OF THE BAY TRAIL
17 PROJECT RELATIVE TO ITS MOVING FROM THE ABAG STRUCTURE INTO
18 THE MTC DESIGN AND PROJECT DELIVERY SECTION. SO WITH THAT,
19 I'LL TURN THIS OVER TO ASHLEY, I BELIEVE.

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21 **ASHLEY NGUYEN:** THANK YOU, CHAIR. AGAIN MY NAME IS ASHLEY
22 NGUYEN. I'M THE SECTION DIRECTOR FOR DESIGN AND PROJECT
23 DELIVERY. I'VE BEEN WITH MTC FOR OVER 20 YEARS. AND I ALSO
24 REMEMBER THE DAYS OF JANET MCBRIDE WORKING ON THE BAY TRAIL,
25 SO THAT TELLS YOU HOW FAR WE HAVE COME AND HOW LONG WE STAY,

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1 RIGHT? SO I DO THINK THAT WE HAVE A PRESENTATION THAT WE COULD
2 BRING UP. OKAY. SO FOR TODAY I WANTED TO REALLY FOCUS ON JUST
3 GIVING YOU A QUICK SYNOPSIS ON WHAT WE DO IN THE DESIGN AND
4 PROJECT DELIVERY AND THEN TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA TOSH MY COLLEAGUE
5 WILL WALK US THROUGH THE ACTIVE INITIATIVES WE ARE UNDERTAKING
6 AS PART OF OUR TEAM. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO THE DPD TEAM.
7 THAT'S WHAT WE CALL OURSELVES FOR SHORT, OUR APPROACH IS
8 REALLY TO BE AS CREATIVE AND PRACTICAL AS POSSIBLE TO DESIGN
9 AND DELIVER INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS TO MANAGE CONGESTION,
10 PRIORITIZE TRANSIT AND SHARED MOBILITY AND TRANSPORTATION
11 EQUITY ACROSS THE BAY AREA. WE TAKE THIS MISSION STATEMENT
12 REALLY SERIOUSLY AND WE WORK REALLY PROGRESSIVELY TO MAKE A
13 DIFFERENCE IN TERMS OF HOW WE ARE ABLE TO SUPPORT
14 TRANSPORTATION NEEDS FOR THE REGION. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF KEY
15 INITIATIVES THAT WE ARE TAKING FORWARD. ONE OUR MARQUEE
16 PROGRAM IS WHAT WE CALL THE FORD INITIATIVES, SO WE HAVE BAY
17 BRIDGE FORWARD, RICHMOND-SAN RAFAEL FORWARD AND DONE BARTON
18 FORWARD IN THE WORKS AT THE MOMENT. AND YOU MIGHT NOTICE THAT
19 ALL THESE FORWARDS ARE BRIDGE-BASED. AND WHAT WE WERE DO HERE
20 AS BAFFERT THE FORWARD INITIATIVE IS REALLY TO TAKE A LOOK AT
21 SOME OF THE MOST CONGESTED CORE, AND MOST OF THEM FOR THE MOST
22 PARTS THE KEY ONE IS THE BAY BRIDGE CORRIDOR FROM I-80 TO THE
23 CARKIN OZARKS BRIDGE. WE DO QUITE A BIT OF TECHNICAL ANALYSIS
24 TO UNDERSTAND CONGESTION AND THEN WE ALSO LOOK THROUGH -- --
25 THE DIFFERENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR TRANSPORTATION OF IMPROVEMENTS

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1 TO ADDRESS THAT CONGESTION, AND WE ALSO LOOK AT NOT ONLY A
2 HIGHWAY FOCUS OR A HIGHWAY OPERATING FOCUS. WE ALSO LOOK AT
3 OPPORTUNITIES TO BETTER IMPROVE TRANSIT SERVICES, WORKING AND
4 COLLABORATING DIRECTLY WITH KEY TRANSIT AGENCIES, AND WE ALSO
5 LOOK AT SHARED MOBILITY AND LOOKING AT OPPORTUNITIES TO MOVE
6 MORE PEOPLE IN FEWER CARS THROUGH TDM MEASURES AS WELL AS THE
7 OTHER ACTIVE OPPORTUNITIES. WE ALSO ARE REALLY LEADING MANAGED
8 LANES POLICY. THESE ARE CARPOOL LANES, TRANSIT ONLY LANES, AND
9 EXPRESS LANES. OUR TEAM DOES QUITE A BIT OF TECHNICAL
10 ANALYTICAL WORK TO SUPPORT DEVELOPMENT OF MANAGED AND EXPRESS
11 LANES, AND WE ALSO LEAD ON THE POLICY PARAMETERS ON HOW THESE
12 LANES ARE OPERATED. AND THEN KEY TO THAT IS CAPITAL DELIVERY.
13 WE ARE LOOKING AT DELIVERING A NUMBER OF CAPITAL PROJECTS
14 ACROSS MANY CORRIDORS. WE DO A COMBINATION OF TECHNOLOGY
15 IMPROVEMENTS SUCH AS RAMP METERING. WE ALSO HAVE PUT IN
16 TRANSIT PRIORITY LANES. AND WE ALSO WORK WITH A NUMBER OF THE
17 CITIES AND COUNTIES TO THINK ABOUT ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION AND
18 DELIVER BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN PATHS. WE ALSO ARE DOUBLING IN
19 ARTERIAL OPERATIONS. THIS IS A LONG TIME PROGRAM AT MTC WHERE
20 WE WORK REALLY CLOSELY WITH CITIES AND COUNTIES TO HELP THEM
21 WITH SIGNAL TIMING ON LOCAL STREETS AND ROADS, AND THEN WE ARE
22 KIND OF TRANSITIONING THEM ALSO TO THINK ABOUT CONNECTED AND
23 AUTONOMOUS VEHICLE TECHNOLOGY AND HOW THEY MAY BE ABLE TO TAP
24 INTO THAT AS PART OF AERIAL OPERATIONS TRANSITIONAL. AND THEN,
25 OF COURSE, IN YELLOW WHICH TOSHI WILL COVER, WE DO QUITE A BIT

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1 OF WORK WITH DEMAND MANAGEMENT, WITH BIKE SHARE, AS WELL AS
2 TRAILS, OF COURSE, NAMELY BAY TRAIL AND WATER TRAIL. AND WE DO
3 DO A LOT OF WORK AS WELL WITH SEA LEVEL RISE ADAPTATION. WE
4 HAVE BEEN VERY ACTIVE IN THIS SPACE WORKING WITH BROOKS, THE
5 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR BART FOR ALL THE DIFFERENT SEA LEVEL
6 RISE AND ANALYSIS AND WE HAVE MADE PRETTY GOOD PROGRESS ON
7 THAT FRONT AS WELL. THAT WAS REALLY A QUICK OVERVIEW AND I
8 HOPE TO LEARN ABOUT THE BOARD OVER TIME AND REALLY BRING ITEMS
9 TO THE BOARD THAT ALLOWS US TO HAVE THESE MEANINGFUL
10 DISCUSSIONS WITH REGARDS TO CERTAINLY THE BAY TRAIL AND OTHER
11 RELATED TRAILS AND SHARED MOBILITY OPPORTUNITIES. I THINK THIS
12 IS THE ONLY SLIDE I HAVE, SO I'M GOING TURN IT OVER TO MY
13 COLLEAGUE TOSHI TO LEAD YOU THROUGH THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION
14 COMPONENTS.

15

16 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** YOU ACTUALLY HAVE ONE MORE SLIDE, ASHLEY.
17 NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.

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19 **ASHLEY NGUYEN:** HERE'S AN EXAMPLE. SORRY. JUST TO MAKE THIS A
20 LITTLE BIT OF A FINER POINT, AS PART OF THE BAY BRIDGE FORWARD
21 INITIATIVE, ONE OF THE PROJECTS THAT WE ARE WORKING WITH
22 CALTRANS ON IS TO CONVERT A GENERAL PURPOSE LANE TO AN HOV
23 LANE, SO IN THE GRAPHIC HERE YOU CAN SEE THE DARK BLACK LINE
24 IS OUR EXISTING HOV THREE PLUS LANE THAT'S APPROACHING THE
25 TOLL BRIDGE PLAZA, AND WHAT WE'RE HOPING TO DO ON THE GREEN

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1 LINE IS TO EXTEND THE HOV LANE FURTHER DOWN 580 KIND OF WHERE
2 -- TO ALMOST HIGHWAY 24. AND WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO HERE IS
3 REALLY TO PROVIDE A TRANSIT PRIORITY LANE THAT ALLOWS BUSES TO
4 JUMP THE QUEUE. THERE'S QUITE A BIT OF CONGESTION IN THIS CORE
5 DOOR. I'M SURE MANY OF YOU HAVE BEEN IN AND OUT OF 580 LEADING
6 INTO THE BRIDGE. BUT THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR TO US REALLY
7 GIVE TRANSIT A BOOST IN TERMS OF BEING ABLE TO HAVE A
8 DEDICATED LANE THAT ALLOWS THEM TO REALLY AGAIN JUMP THE QUEUE
9 AND GIVE THEIR RIDERS A SENSE OF BUS TIME RELIABILITY, AND
10 THEN HOPEFULLY WITH THE IMPROVEMENTS WE WOULD HOPE THAT WE
11 COULD ALSO BRING ADDITIONAL RIDERS ONBOARD WITH BUSES. SO WITH
12 THAT, I WILL NOW THEN TURN IT OVER TO TOSHI.

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14 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** GREAT. THANK YOU, ASHLEY. NEXT SLIDE,
15 PLEASE. SO I'M TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA. I ALSO THE DESIGN AND
16 DELIVERY SECTION. I'M THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR ACTIVE
17 TRANSPORTATION AND SHARED MOBILITY. AND I'M GOING TO GO
18 THROUGH SOME OF THE DIFFERENT ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION
19 INITIATIVES THAT OUR TEAM HAS BEEN WORKING ON, AND WE LOOK
20 FORWARD TO SORT OF MARRYING THESE INITIATIVES WITH THE BAY
21 TRAIL GOING FORWARD. SO JUST ONE EXAMPLE OF THESE FORWARD
22 PROJECTS. THIS IS THE RICHMOND-SAN RAFAEL BRIDGE FORWARD
23 PROGRAM. YOU'RE PROBABLY ALL FAMILIAR WITH THE INFRASTRUCTURE
24 SIDE OF IT, OF THE BRIDGE BIKE PATH, BUT IN ADDITION TO THE
25 CAPITAL PROJECTS THAT WE PURSUE TO PROVIDE SAFER, MORE

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1 ACCESSIBLE TRAILS FOR PEOPLE WHO BIKE AND WALK, WE ALSO LOOK
2 AT COMPLEMENTARY NON-INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAMS TO REALLY IMPROVE
3 ACCESS TO THESE FACILITIES WHEN WE DO BUILD THEM. SO FOR THE
4 BRIDGE BIKE PATH, WE'RE ALSO IN THE PROCESS OF PLANNING AN
5 EBIKE REBATE PROGRAM. THAT'S EQUITY FOCUSED TO HELP PEOPLE WHO
6 COULD POTENTIALLY COMMUTE ACROSS THAT CORRIDOR, HAVE GREATER
7 ACCESS TO JUST THE EMERGING TECHNOLOGY SINCE THE PRICE POINT
8 CAN BE A CHALLENGE. WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON DEVELOPING SOME
9 GROUP RIDE PROGRAMS WITH CVOS AND BIKE SHOPS IN THE CORRIDOR,
10 AND WE HAVE THEM UNDER CONTRACT, BUT UNFORTUNATELY DUE TO
11 COVID WE HAVE HAD TO PUT THAT PROGRAM ON HOLD TEMPORARILY. AND
12 THEN LASTLY, OUR TEAM ALSO LEADS THE BIKE SHARE WORKSHOP AT
13 MTC, AND I'LL GET INTO IT A LITTLE BIT MORE BOUGHT WE'VE BEEN
14 COORDINATING WITH THE CITIES OF RICHMOND AND THEN THE SMART
15 CORRIDOR, THEY SELECTED THE SAME BIKE SHARE OPERATOR, AND SO
16 WE'RE INTERESTED IN WHAT ROLE BIKE SHARE CAN HELP PLAY EITHER
17 IN ALLOWING PEOPLE TO TRAVEL ACROSS THE CORRIDOR AND/OR
18 GETTING TO AND FROM TRANSIT ON THAT CORRIDOR. NEXT SLIDE,
19 PLEASE. WE ALSO JUST TRIED TO GATHER AS MUCH DATA AND INFORM
20 OUR WORK AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE, SO THIS HAS BEEN MORE OF A
21 CHALLENGE WITH ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION JUST BECAUSE THERE HASN'T
22 BEEN AS MUCH DATA AVAILABLE FOR MIKING AND PEDESTRIANS AS
23 THERE ARE FOR OTHER MODES SUCH AS TRANSIT AND VEHICLE TRAFFIC.
24 SO WE'VE ALSO BEEN DESIGNING OUR OWN MANUAL DATA COLLECTION
25 PROGRAMS. THIS IS ONE EFFORT THAT WE ARE KICKING OFF NOW OR

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1 WE'LL BE PERFORMING, AN ORIGIN DESTINATION STUDY ALONG SEVERAL
2 REGIONAL CORRIDORS, INCLUDING THE RICHMOND-SAN RAFAEL BRIDGE
3 AND THE DUMBARTON BRIDGES ON THE BAY TRAIL WHERE WE'LL BE
4 PERFORMING INTERCEPTOR SURVEYS TO ORIGINAL GIN AND
5 DESTINATION, TRIP PURPOSE 1 TRIP ROUTES AND ATTITUDES AS WELL
6 AS COUNT DIET CORRIDOR JUST TO GET A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF
7 HOW THESE TRAILS ARE USED AND WHAT IMPEDIMENTS THERE ARE TO
8 PEOPLE USING IT TO GREATER DEGREES. WE ALSO, IN ADDITION TO
9 THE MANUAL DATA COLLECTION, OUR TEAM IS VERY EXPERIENCED WITH
10 TAKING -- SORT OF EXPLORING AND UTILIZING THE BIG DATA SOURCES
11 THAT HAVE BECOME AVAILABLE IN THE LAST DECADE OR SO, AND WHILE
12 THERE'S BEEN FEWER OPPORTUNITIES FOR, YOU KNOW, PEOPLE WHO
13 BIKE AND WALK, IN THE LAST YEAR THERE HAVE ACTUALLY BEEN A FEW
14 NEW OPPORTUNITIES THAT WE'RE EXPLORING. WE WERE THE FIRST
15 AGENCY IN THE BAY AREA TO GET ACCESS TO STRAVA DATA, AND SO
16 WE'RE LOOKING AT HOW THAT DATA CAN BE UTILIZED AND PROVIDE
17 BETTER INSIGHTS IT. CERTAINLY DOESN'T PAINT THE ENTIRE PICTURE
18 BUT IT CAN PROVIDE SOME INFORMATION ON HOW VEHICLES
19 INFRASTRUCTURE IS USED, AS WELL AS DATA FROM STREET LITE WHICH
20 IS SPRITZING DATA OUT BY MODE TO SEE HOW PEOPLE ARE TRAVELING
21 WHILE NOT WALKING OR BIKING. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO THIS IS
22 JUST AN EXAMPLE OF THAT, THAT SOUTHLINE DATA THAT WE USED
23 RECENTLY. WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO BE VERY NIMBLE AND REACT TO
24 JUST THE CHALLENGES FACED DURING COVID, SO FOR THE LAST YEAR
25 OR SO, AS CITIES HAVE BEEN LOOKED TO QUICKLY IMPLEMENT

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1 STRATEGIES TO ALLOW FOR SOCIAL DISTANCING AND WANTING TO HAVE
2 SLOW STREETS AND OTHER TEMPORARY QUICK BUILD INTERVENTIONS,
3 WE'VE BEEN WORKING WITH THEM TO PROVIDE SOME SUPPORT AROUND
4 COLLECTING DATA TO INFORM THE IMPLEMENTATION AS WELL AS
5 EVALUATE IT AND SUPPORT THE ACTIONS THAT THEY'RE TAKING SINCE
6 THINGS ARE MOVING MUCH QUICKER THAN THEY WOULD DURING A NORMAL
7 TIMELINE. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. AND THEN BUILDING OFF OF THAT
8 WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO PROVIDE BROADER QUICK BUILD TECHNICAL
9 CINCHES WHICH WE WERE INTERESTED IN PRE-COVID IN JUST HOW CAN
10 WE SUPPORT CITIES IN ACCELERATING IMPLEMENTATION FOR COMPLETE
11 STREETS, TRAILS AND BIKE AND PEDESTRIANS NETWORKS, BUT THERE'S
12 BEEN EVEN GREATER INTEREST SINCE WE STARTED FACING THESE
13 CHALLENGES OF COVID CITIES REALLY WANTING TO MOVE MORE QUICKLY
14 TO A LOT OF PEOPLE WALKING, BIKING AND SOCIALLY DISTANCED AS
15 WELL AS UNFORTUNATELY PEOPLE HAVE BEEN AVOIDING TRANSIT TO
16 SOME DEGREES, AND SO THE MORE THAT WE CAN ALLOW THEM TO BIKE
17 AND WALK, THAT WILL HOPEFULLY KEEP THEM AWAY FROM JUMPING IN
18 THEIR CAR ALONE. SO WE'VE BEEN WORKING WITH CITIES AND
19 COUNTIES AROUND THE REGION JUST TRYING TO SEE HOW WE CAN
20 ASSIST THEM IN BEING MORE NIMBLE AND ACCELERATING
21 IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE TYPES OF PROJECTS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.
22 SO THE LAST THING I'M GOING TOUCH IS JUST OUR BIKE SHARE
23 EFFORTS AT MTC WHICH OUR TEAM ALSO LEADS. SO THERE'S SORT OF
24 TWO DIFFERENT APPROACHES IN THE REGION RIGHT NOW. THE LEFT BAY
25 WHEELS IS THE LARGEST. THIS IS IN FIVE CITIES IN THE REGION,

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1 SAN FRANCISCO, THE EAST BAY. ACTUALLY GO BACK ONE SLIDE,
2 PLEASE. WHERE MTC IS PARTY TO THIS CONTRACT AND WE WORKED
3 DIRECTLY WITH THESE CITIES. THERE ARE NOW 7,000 BIKES,
4 INCLUDING THE ADDITION OF ELECTRICAL BIKES IN A COUPLE OF THE
5 CITIES OVER THE LAST 18 MONTHS. WE ALSO WORKED IN OTHER WAYS
6 THROUGH OUR BIKE SHARE CAPITAL GRANT PROGRAM WHERE WE PROVIDED
7 FUNDING TO THE CITIES FREMONT, RICHMOND AND SONOMA AND MARIN
8 COUNTY'S TO FUND THEIR OWN BIKE SHARE PROGRAMS, AND THEY'RE AT
9 DIFFERENT STAGES. FREMONT IS ALREADY LAUNCHED BUT RIMMED'S
10 ANTICIPATED TO LAUNCH DID RICHMOND'S ANTICIPATED TO LAUNCH
11 NEXT MONTH AFTER DELAYS AFTER COVID, AND SONOMA AND MARIN
12 SYSTEM SHOULD LAUNCH LATER THIS YEAR. SO IN ADDITION TO
13 PROVIDING THE FUNDING, WE ALSO TRY TODAY PROVIDE AS MUCH
14 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AS POSSIBLE TO SUPPORT THEM AND HELP
15 THESE PROGRAMS GET OFF THE GROUND. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. AND SO
16 THE LAST THING I WANT TO TOUCH ON IS, YOU KNOW, EQUITY IS
17 REALLY SORT OF FOUNDATIONAL IMPORTANCE IN OUR WORK, AND SO
18 WITH THE BAY WHEELS PROGRAM WE DO HAVE A BIKE SHARE FOR ALL
19 LOW INCOME MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM WHICH PROVIDE FOR SIGNIFICANTLY
20 DISCOUNTED ACCESS TO THESE PROGRAMS, AND THROUGH EXTENSIVE
21 OUTREACH, IT'S GROWN TO THE POINT WE ACTUALLY, I THINK THIS IS
22 THE MOST UTILIZED LOW-INCOME BIKE SHARE PROGRAM IN THE
23 COUNTRY, AND SO, YOU KNOW, WE RECOGNIZE THAT AS WE IMPLEMENT
24 THESE SYSTEMS, WE ALSO WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYONE HAS
25 ACCESS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THEM, SO WE'RE REALLY INTERESTED

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1 IN PURSUING OPPORTUNITIES TO REALLY IMPROVE EQUITABLE ACCESS
2 BOTH TO THE TRAILS AND INFRASTRUCTURE AS WELL AS TO THE
3 SYSTEMS THAT WE HAVE PUT IN PLACE TO ALLOW PEOPLE TO USE THEM.
4 AND I'LL END WITH THAT.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** I HAVE A QUESTION. MAY I ASK MY QUESTION?

7

8 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** YES.

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10 **ROSEMARY CORBIN:** YOU MENTIONED IN THE BAKE SHARE WHICH SOUNDS
11 WONDERFUL THAT OAKLAND, EMERY AND EMERYVILLE ARE AND RICHMOND
12 IS COMING. BETWEEN RICHMOND IS ALBANY. ARE YOU WORKING WITH
13 ALBANY?

14

15 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** WE ARE NOT AT THE MOMENT. THESE WERE
16 DEVELOPED IN SORT OF DIFFERENT STAGES. THOSE FIRST FIVE CITIES
17 LAUNCHED THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS WITH A FIRM THAT WAS LATER A
18 QUIETER BY LYFT AND THAT LAUNCHED THREE YEARS AGO, AND THEN
19 THERE WAS A CAPITAL GRANT PROGRAM LAUNCHED TWO YEARS AGO THAT
20 RICHMOND APPLIED FOR. THERE HAVE BEEN SIGNIFICANT CHANGES YEAR
21 OVER YEAR FOR THE LAST FEW YEARS IN THE BIKE SHARE INDUSTRY
22 THAT HAVE ONLY BEEN EXACERBATED BY COVID, SO AT THIS POINT
23 WE'RE TRYING TO SUPPORT THESE CITIES THAT ARE ALREADY
24 LAUNCHING AND GETTING GOING, BUT WE HOPE THAT WITH THE GROWTH
25 OF THESE SYSTEMS THAT IT WILL PROVIDE A GREATER OPPORTUNITY TO

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1 FILL IN THE GAPS, BUT AT THIS POINT WE ARE FOCUSED ON
2 SUPPORTING THOSE CITIES THAT ARE LAUNCHING NOW JUST AS THERE
3 ARE CHALLENGES DUE TO COVID-RELATED TO RIDERSHIP BUT THERE'S
4 ALSO SIGNIFICANT CHALLENGES IN THE BIKE SUPPLY CHAIN AND JUST
5 GETTING BIKES FROM CHINA RIGHT NOW.

6

7 **ROSEMARY CORBIN:** THANK YOU.

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9 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** ARE THERE OTHER QUESTIONS? BILL LONG.
10 BILL, YOU'RE MUTED.

11

12 **BILL LONG:** CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW? I WANTED TO SAY IT'S NICE TO
13 MEET TOSHI AND ASHLEY AND SEE HOW THE NEW ORGANIZATION HOME
14 FOR THE BAY TRAIL, WATER TRAIL IS SHAPING UP. MY SENSE IS THAT
15 THIS PART OF THE ORGANIZATION IS A VERY RESULTS ORIENTED AND
16 OUTCOME ORIENTED GROUP, AND I THINK THAT'S A GOOD HOME FOR THE
17 BAY TRAIL. MY ONE CONCERN, I GUESS, IS THAT WHEN I LISTEN TO
18 ALL THOSE TERRIFIC PROJECTS THAT YOU HAVE GOT GOING AND THAT
19 YOU HAVE ACCOMPLISHED TO RELIEVE CONGESTION AND MOVE PEOPLE
20 ALONG HOME TO THEIR JOB OR THEIR SCHOOL OR WHATEVER, THAT
21 RECREATION, THE BENEFIT TO THE PUBLIC FROM RECREATIONAL ASSETS
22 IS NOT NORMALLY ONE OF THE THINGS THAT YOU MEASURE, AND YET
23 IT'S KEY TO THE PUBLIC BENEFIT AND VALUE OF THE BAY TRAIL AND
24 THE WATER TRAIL. SO MY POINT IS THAT IN WORKING WITH THE
25 AGENCIES THAT ARE CARRYING OUT BAY TRAIL PROJECTS OR WANT TO,

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1 I HOPE YOU CAN FIND WAY TO SOMEHOW FACTOR IN THE ENORMOUS
2 PUBLIC BENEFIT FROM THE RECREATIONAL VALUES THAT COME WITH BAY
3 TRAIL PROJECTS, AND EXAMPLES OF THAT JUST LOOK AROUND AT HOW
4 POPULAR OUR BAY TRAIL SEGMENTS ARE DURING THE PANDEMIC. SO
5 VALUING RECREATION, WHICH IS NOT SOMETHING THAT ONE WOULD
6 THINK OF IN RELIEVING CONGESTION ON THE HIGHWAY OR MOVING
7 PEOPLE TO WORK IS A VERY, VERY VERY BIG FACTOR IN THE PUBLIC
8 SUPPORT FOR THE BAY TRAIL AND THE WATER CENTRAL. ANYWAY, I'M
9 LOOKING FORWARD WORKING WITH YOU FOLKS ON THESE PROJECTS. NICE
10 TO MEET YOU.

11

12 **ASHLEY NGUYEN:** THANK YOU. AND I WOULD SAY THAT THE ADDITION OF
13 THE BAY TRAIL AND THE WATER TRAIL TO THE DESIGN AND PROJECT
14 DELIVERY PORTFOLIO REALLY ALLOWS US TO TAKE ALL THE DIFFERENT
15 PROJECTS THAT WE'RE DOING AND REALLY FOCUSING ON SOME OF THE
16 SUCCESSES WE'VE HAD IN TERMS OF DESIGNING AND DELIVERING
17 PROJECTS, AND I THINK WHAT WE WOULD LIKE TO DO IS TO EMBRACE
18 THE IDEA OF RECREATIONAL TRAILS, BUT THEN WHAT WE COULD DO AS
19 PART OF OUR SECTION IS REALLY TO, REALLY HELP BOTH THE BAY
20 TRAIL AND THE WATER TRAIL TO GO FORWARD WITH THE ACTUAL
21 DELIVERY THESE PROJECTS BECAUSE I THINK THAT'S -- NOT THAT IT
22 WAS MISSING, BUT THIS IS AN ASSET THAT WE HAVE AND EXPERTISE
23 WE HAVE IN TERMS OF DESIGN AND DELIVERY THAT WE CAN THEN
24 PARLAY TO THE TRAILS, AND THAT'S KIND OF WHY I THINK THIS IS -
25 - I THINK THE SECTION, THE DESIGN AND PROJECT DELIVERY

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1 SECTION, IS GOING TO BE A GREAT HOME FOR THE WATER TRAILS AND
2 BAY TRAILS BECAUSE WE WANT TO NURTURE AND PRODUCE THESE KIND
3 OF CAPITAL PROJECTS THAT REALLY I THINK A LOT OF FOLKS,
4 ESPECIALLY DURING COVID, HAVE REALLY EMBRACED. I'VE SEEN SO
5 MANY MORE PEOPLE BIKING AND WALKING ON A NUMBER OF TRAILS IN
6 MY COMMUNITY, AND I ALSO SEE THAT THERE'S LOTS OF BIKES THAT
7 FOLKS WANT TO BUY BUT THEY CAN'T BECAUSE OF COVID. IT'S JUST
8 BEEN CRAZY. IT'S BEEN SUCH A, I THINK A RENEWED ENTHUSIASM FOR
9 BIKING AND WALKING, AND I THINK THE BAY TRAIL CERTAINLY MEETS
10 THOSE NEEDS. SO WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD WORKING WITH YOU ALL ON
11 ALL THESE ISSUES.

12

13 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** AND I'LL JUST ECHO THAT. IT CERTAINLY
14 HASN'T BEEN THE PRIMARY FOCUS OF OUR WORK, BUT IT'S SOMETHING
15 THAT WE'RE VERY INTERESTED IN. I MEAN, I GREW UP IN SAN
16 FRANCISCO, YOU KNOW, AND BIKING AND HIKING ALONG THE BAY TRAIL
17 AND BOATING ON THE BAY. I THINK FOR US IN TERMS OF
18 TRANSPORTATION IT WILL HOPEFULLY PROVIDE SOME ADDITIONAL
19 OPPORTUNITIES FOR US TO PURSUE FUNDING BUT WE DON'T WANT TO
20 DIVERT ANY RESOURCES AWAY FROM THE RECREATIONAL ASPECT. IT'S
21 MORE HOW CAN WE TRY TO IDENTIFY NEW OPPORTUNITIES TO AUGMENT
22 WHAT WE'RE ALREADY DOING. AND THEN I THINK DURING COVID WE'VE
23 ALSO RECOGNIZED, YOU KNOW, THAT IT'S BEEN REALLY HIGHLIGHTED
24 HOW IMPORTANT RECREATION IS FOR PUBLIC HEALTH AND MENTAL
25 HEALTH AND JUST REALLY THE INEQUITABLE ACCESS TO GOOD OPEN

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1 SPACES WITHIN THE BAY AREA, LATES TO NOTE EVENLY DISTRIBUTED
2 OR EQUALLY ACCESSIBLE, SO WE'RE REALLY EXCITED TO LOOK AT HOW
3 CAN WE PROVIDE MORE EQUITABLE TO GOOD OPEN SPACES AROUND THE
4 REGION.

5

6 **ANTOINETTE ROMEO:** I JUST WANT TO SECOND WHAT'S BEEN SAID ABOUT
7 INCLUDING RECREATION AS AN ASPECT OF YOUR -- ASHLEY'S GROUP'S
8 ROLE AND I THINK THEY CAN REALLY HELP OUT A LOT WITH ACCESS TO
9 THE TRAILS SO THAT PEOPLE CAN ACCESS AND GET MORE RECREATIONAL
10 OPPORTUNITIES. I THINK THAT'S A ROLE THAT, IT'S A KEY ROLE
11 WITH THE ASSOCIATION OF MTC, I THINK THAT WILL BE VERY, VERY
12 HELPFUL. I ALSO HAD ONE QUESTION ABOUT THE BIKE SHARE PROGRAM.
13 THE ONE THAT YOU WORK WITH LYFT, IS THERE AN ASPECT OF --
14 BECAUSE LYFT IS A PRIVATE COMPANY, SO IS THERE AN ASPECT OF --
15 I DON'T KNOW WHETHER IT'S THE FUNDING OR THE HELP WHERE LIFT
16 SHOULD GIVE LIKE A DISCOUNT TO SOME PEOPLE, DISADVANTAGED
17 COMMUNITIES SO THEY CAN ACCESS THESE BIKES OR IS IT JUST --
18 I'M NOT SURE WHAT THE ROLE IS BETWEEN MTC AND LYFT FOR THE
19 BIKE SHARE.

20

21 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** SO WE MANAGE THE CONTRACT BUT WE PROVIDE
22 ZERO PUBLIC FUNDING FOR IT, SO WE HELP SORT OF A ARRANGE THAT
23 AND GET THE FUNDING OFF THE GROUND. THE LAST SLIDE, I DON'T
24 KNOW IF IT'S POSSIBLE TO BRING UP THE DECK AGAIN, BUT THE VERY
25 LAST SHIED, THE BIKE SHARE FOR ALL PROGRAM IS THE LOW INCOME

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1 DISCOUNTED PROGRAM THROUGH LYFT BAY WHEELS, AND SO LYFT TAKES
2 THE FULL BURDEN IN PROVIDING LOW INCOME ACCESS AT A DISCOUNTED
3 RATE TO THEIR SYSTEM OR TO THEIR FLEET OF BIKES IN ALL FIVE OF
4 THOSE CITIES. SO THEY ACTUALLY -- AND IT'S AT A SIGNIFICANT
5 COST TO THEM. SO WE ARE INTERESTED IN PURSUING THIS, WHEN
6 POSSIBLE. I THINK IT WILL PROVIDE MORE CHALLENGES TRYING TO
7 PURSUE THIS IN NEW CITIES IN THE FUTURE JUST BECAUSE THE
8 ECONOMICS OF BIKE SHARE HAVE BECOME EVIDENTLY MORE DIFFICULT
9 IN THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS WITH COVID, BUT WE ARE VERY
10 INTERESTED IN TRYING TO PROVIDE THAT DISCOUNTED LOW INCOME
11 ACCESS WHEN POSSIBLE.

12

13 **ANA RUIZ:** I CAN ADD TO THAT. I'M WONDERING IF YOU CAN SHARE
14 INFORMATION ON THE LOW INCOME MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM TO THIS
15 GROUP, SOME ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. THERE MAY BE SOME MEMBERS
16 HERE WOULD WHO WOULD LIKE TO PROMOTE THAT THROUGH THEIR
17 CHANNELS, AT LEAST FOR US. WE'RE ALWAYS SEEKING OPPORTUNITIES
18 TO IMPROVE EQUITABLE ACCESS, AND THIS IS ONE OF THEM, AS ONE
19 OF THE MAIN MANAGERS ALONG THE BAY TRAIL AND ALSO CONNECTIONS
20 TO OTHER PARKS AND OPEN SPACES THAT CONNECT TO THE BAY TRAIL
21 AS WELL.

22

23 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** YEAH, I WILL CERTAINLY SHARE SOME MORE
24 INFO ABOUT THE PROGRAM AND SORT OF STATS BUT I CAN ALSO
25 PROVIDE YOU INFO IF YOU DO WANT TO DISSEMINATE THROUGH

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1 CHANNELS, WE'D LOVE TO GET MORE PEOPLE TAKING ADVANTAGE OF
2 THAT.

3

4 TOSHI, I HAVE A QUESTION. I'M WONDERING, WE HAVE A LOT OF
5 PEOPLE THAT ARE HOMELESS IN THE BAY AREA AND I'M WONDERING IF
6 YOU CAN GET ACCESS IF YOU DON'T HAVE A PHONE OR A COMPUTER TO
7 CONTACT THEM AND ALLOW TO YOU GET A MEMBERSHIP. LEO.

8

9 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** YES, THERE ARE WAYS TO DO THAT. I
10 HONESTLY CAN'T SPEAK TO THE LATEST. ORIGINALLY THERE WAS A
11 CASH OPTION BUT THERE ARE OTHER WAYS YOU CAN PAY IN PERSON,
12 BUT I CAN FOLLOW UP AND GET YOU MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THAT
13 BUT THAT HAS BEEN A CONCERN FROM THE VERY BEGINNING AND, YEAH,
14 WE'VE WORKED WITH LYFT ON THAT.

15

16 **WENDY PROCTOR:** I'D JUST LIKE TO ADD AND THANK YOU FOR THAT
17 PRESENTATION. REALLY GREAT. AND THIS IS WENDY PROCTOR. AND I
18 JUST WANTED TO, ON THAT LAST SLIDE, I FORGOT TO MENTION WHEN I
19 WAS INTRODUCED MYSELF, I'M A SENIOR ARCHITECT AND A.D.A.
20 COORDINATOR FOR THE BOARD. SO WHEN I HEAR THIS EQUITY FOR BIKE
21 SHARE FOR ALL, I WOULD JUST WANT TO RECOMMEND THAT YOU ALSO
22 INCLUDE PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, AND AT THE PORT I ALSO WANT
23 TO POINT OUT THAT THE LYFT PROVIDED A GRANT TO BAY AREA ROUTE
24 YEACH AND RECREATIONAL PROGRAM FOR ADAPTIVE CYCLING CENTER,
25 AND THEY SET UP -- THEY WERE LOOKING FOR PLACES ON THE PORT'S

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1 WATERFRONT, WHICH IS THE BAY TRAIL, FOR PLACES TO SET UP FREE
2 ACCESS FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES TO COME AND GET
3 ALTERNATIVE TYPES OF BIKES, AND THAT PROGRAM ALREADY KIND OF
4 EXISTS IN BERKELEY, BUT THEY'RE LOOKING TO DO MORE OUTREACH
5 THROUGHOUT THE BAY FOR PEOPLE ALL AROUND AND THEY ALSO HAD A
6 UP, AND THEY WERE ABLE TO GET SOMETHING REALLY GOOD SET UP IN
7 GOLDEN GATE PARK BEFORE EVERYTHING SHUT DOWN. IT'S A LITTLE
8 MORE HANDS-ON BECAUSE YOU HAVE TO HAVE SOMEBODY THERE TO SORT
9 OF DO SOME LEVEL OF ASSESSMENT AND SET PEOPLE UP, SO THAT
10 WOULD DEFINITELY BE SOMETHING IF YOU WERE TO LOOK INTO THAT,
11 THAT WOULD BE AFTER THE PANDEMIC IS LIFTED WHERE YOU COULD
12 ACTUALLY HAVE A LITTLE MORE INTERACTION, I WOULD ASSUME, SO I
13 JUST WANT TO RECOMMEND THAT YOU ALSO REACH OUT TO INCLUDE
14 PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES BECAUSE THAT'S A PROGRAM THAT ALREADY
15 EXISTS. THANK YOU.

16

17 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** I'M NOT FAMILIAR WITH IT. I'M FAMILIAR
18 WITH THE PROGRAM BUT NOT REALLY THE DETAILS BUT OTHERS ON MY
19 TEAM ARE CERTAIN AWARE AND HAVE BEEN INVOLVED AND, YEAH, VERY
20 INTERESTED IN IT.

21

22 **BRUCE BEYAERT:** I WOULD LIKE TO RETURN TO THE ITEM THAT BILL
23 LONG BROUGHT UP WITH THE IMPORTANCE OF RECREATION ON MULTI-USE
24 BAY TRAIL. FROM THE STAND POINT OF MOBILITY AND
25 TRANSPORTATION, I COULD SEE THAT YOU WANT TO PROMOTE ALL KIND

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1 OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES, MOPEDS, ELECTRIC SCOOTERS, HOVERBOARDS
2 AND CLASS 2 AND 3 EBIKES WHICH WON'T REQUIRE PEDALING AND/OR
3 THEY GO AT MUCH HIGHER SPEEDS THAN ON A MULTI-USE TRAIL, SO
4 THERE'S A REAL BALANCING HERE BECAUSE RIGHT NOW THE INCREASING
5 POPULARITY OF THE BAY TRAIL AND OTHER MULTI-USE TRAILS,
6 THERE'S A LOT OF CONFLICT GROWING ON BETWEEN SPEEDING BICYCLES
7 AND PEDESTRIANS, THOSE WALKING AND JOGGING, AND SO IF YOU HAVE
8 MORE MOTORIZED BICYCLES AND OTHER MOTORIZED DEVICES ON A
9 MULTI-USE TRAIL, PARTICULARLY EBIKES THAT ARE CAPABLE OF HIGH
10 SPEED AND DON'T REQUIRE PEDALING THAT IS ACTIVE
11 TRANSPORTATION, YOUR SETTING UP MORE CONFLICTS BETWEEN
12 RECREATIONAL USERS OF THE BAY TRAIL AND THOSE USING IT FOR
13 TRANSPORTATION. SO REALLY URGE CAUTION THERE IN BALANCING
14 BETWEEN USES.

15

16 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** THEY'RE COMMENTS?

17

18 **SEAN DOUGAN:** YEAH, I HAVE A COMMENT. I'M GETTING USED TOTE
19 FORMAT AND I'M ASSUMING I'M ON THE BOARD NOW. IT'S A JUMP IN
20 THING SO THAT'S WHAT I'M DOING. I WANT TO REITERATE OR
21 REINFORCE WHAT BILL AND ANTOINETTE WAS SAYING, TOO, TO SOME
22 EXTENT WHAT EVERYONE IS SAYING IN MY EXPERIENCE WORKING ON THE
23 SPINE, IF YOU WILL, OF THE BAY TRAIL IN THE CLASS 1 SECTIONS
24 ALONG THE SHORELINE WHEN TRYING TO ADVOCATE FOR CINCHES FROM
25 LOCAL JURISDICTIONS AND CITIES -- ASSISTANCE FROM LOCAL

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1 JURISDICTIONS AND CITIES, THEIR RESPONSE IS, WHY WOULD WE --
2 WHY WOULD WE FOCUS ON THE SPINE MUCH IN PROMOTING MONEY
3 TOWARDS THE SPINE OF THE BAY TRAIL AND CON DEMOCRATIC LANDS
4 FOR THE BAY TRAIL WHEN OUR RESIDENTS IN UNDERSERVED
5 COMMUNITIES ALL ALONG THE BAY TRAIL CAN'T EVEN GET THERE
6 SAFELY BY BIKE OR BY WALKING? AND SO I THINK THERE'S AN
7 OVERLAPPING GOAL THERE WITH MTC IS TO PROVIDE DIFFERENCE --
8 OVERLAPPING GOAL -- TO PROMOTE COMPLETE STREETS PROJECTS AND
9 THINGS LIKE THAT IN CITIES TO PROVIDE THOSE LATERAL
10 CONNECTIONS TO THE BAY TRAIL SO THERE'S EQUITABLE ACCESS TO
11 THEM. I THINK IT'S VERY CLEAR THERE'S DUAL PURPOSE THERE AND
12 OVERLAPPING GOALS.

13

14 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** I COMPLETELY AGREE.

15

16 **ETHAN LAVINE:** I APOLOGIZE. MY INTERNET BASS BUFFERING A LITTLE
17 BIT AT THE BEGINNING OF THE PRESENTATION SO I JUST WANTED TO
18 MAKE SURE I DIDN'T MISS ANYTHING KIND OF FUNDAMENTAL HERE, BUT
19 IT SOUNDS LIKE THERE'S A LOT OF GREAT POTENTIAL AND EXCITING
20 OPPORTUNITIES WITH LOOKING AT BAY TRAIL IN DESIGN AND PROJECT
21 DELIVERY. BUT WHAT IT WASN'T TOTALLY CLEAR IS ON IS THIS
22 SPEAKING TO KIND OF A SHIFT IN THE WAY MTC IS STAFFING THE BAY
23 TRAIL PROJECT? AND IS THERE GOING TO CONTINUE TO BE BAY TRAIL
24 STAFF THAT ARE DEDICATED PRETTY MUCH 100% OF THEIR TIME TO BAY
25 TRAIL OR IS IT GOING TO BE THAT THERE'S FOLKS WHO HAVE BAY

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1 TRAIL PROJECTS WITHIN A PORTFOLIO BUT AREN'T NECESSARILY THE
2 EXCLUSIVELY FOCUSED ON THE PROJECT?

3

4 **ASHLEY NGUYEN:** I THINK THE APPROACH, THE DPD TEAM IS SMALL. I
5 THINK WE'RE ABOUT 15 TO 20 STRONG. BUT I THINK WHAT WE DO BEST
6 IS WE REALLY LEVERAGE THE RESOURCES WE HAVE, AND IN THE CASE
7 OF THE TRANSITION OF THE BAY AND WATER TRAILS INTO DPD, I
8 THINK THE SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS ARE STILL -- ARE STILL HERE
9 WITH THE EXCEPTION OF MAUREEN AS SHE TAKES HER STEPS TO
10 RETIRE, BUT I THINK THE WHOLE PROGRAM, THE BAY TRAIL PROGRAM
11 IS STILL WHOLE, AND WE ARE GOING TO LEVERAGE THE STAFF
12 RESOURCES WE HAVE TO SUPPORT IT. AND WE JUST TRANSITIONED
13 PROBABLY EARLY FEBRUARY, AND SO WE'RE GOING TO WORK THROUGH
14 THE KINKS. THERE'S LOTS OF ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES IN MY GROUP
15 THAT WE WILL START TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO BEST SET UP AND
16 SUPPORT THE BAY TRAIL AND WATER TRAILS, SO YOU HAVE OUR
17 COMMITMENT THAT WE HAVE AN EYE TO BRINGING THIS BODY OF WORK
18 INTO OUR EXISTING PROGRAM, AND REALLY MY GOAL IS TWO INNINGS.
19 ONE IS TO GET THE PROPER RESOURCES TO HELP GET THE BAY TRAILS
20 GOING THROUGH FEASIBILITY STUDIES ALL THE WAY TO DELIVERY. SO
21 THAT'S ONE. AND TWO, FINDING RESOURCES. WE'RE GOING TO DO LOTS
22 OF GRANT APPLICATIONS, AND WE'RE JUST GOING TO GO MAD IN TERMS
23 OF GETTING RESOURCES TO GET SOME OF THESE PROJECTS DELIVERED.
24 I'VE BEEN WORKING WITH MAUREEN BEFORE SHE LEAVES TO KIND OF
25 WORK ON THE STATE ROUTE 37 CIRRUS POINT CONNECTOR, A GAP

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1 THAT'S SOMETHING OF IMPORTANCE FOR THE BAY TRAIL, AND MAUREEN
2 HAS BEEN SUCH A HUGE ADVOCATE AND A GOOD VOICE FOR US TO MOVE
3 FORWARD FOR THAT, JUST ONE OF MANY I'M SURE, AND I THINK
4 THAT'S THE SPURT FOR WHICH WE ARE GOING TO REALLY USE AND WORK
5 WITH BAY TRAIL AND MAKE SURE THAT WE CONTINUE THIS WONDERFUL
6 LEGACY THAT THEY ALREADY ESTABLISHED &. AND WHAT WE WANT TO DO
7 IS HELP MAKE IT HAPPEN.

8

9 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** I NEED TO JUMP IN HERE. LOOKING AT THE
10 TIME IT'S NOW 11:30 SO -- THE DISCUSSION IS VERY IMPORTANT
11 THAT WE'RE HAVING RIGHT NOW. THIS IS SORT OF THE CRUX OF
12 WHAT'S GOING ON WITH THE BAY TRAIL AND WHERE WE'RE GOING TO
13 HEAD BUT IT'S ALSO TIED INTO THE NEXT TWO ITEMS HAVING TO DO
14 WITH RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE BAY TRAIL PROJECT AND MTC, AS
15 WELL AS THE BYLAWS FOR THE BAY TRAIL PROJECT FORWARD. SO
16 UNLESS THERE'S AN INFORMATION ITEM ONLY, SO I WOULD SUGGEST WE
17 MOVE ON UNLESS THERE ARE SOME BURNING QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS TO
18 MAKE, AND THEN WE'RE GOING TO BE REVISITING THIS IN A SENSE IN
19 THE NEXT TWO ITEMS AS WELL. HEARING NO OBJECTIONS --

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21 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** CHAIR, NO ATTENDANCE WITH THEIR HANDS
22 RAISED AND NO PUBLIC COMMENTS WERE SUBMITTED FOR THIS
23 ADVERTISEMENT.

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1 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WITH THAT WE'LL
2 ACCEPT THE REPORT FROM ITEM NUMBER 6 AND MOVE TO 7 WHICH IS
3 ABOUT THE BAY TRAIL PROJECT AND THE MTC COMMISSION AND
4 RELATIONSHIP, DEVELOPING A FRAMEWORK, AND I BELIEVE THAT
5 ANDREW IS, YES, ANDREW IS ON NOW. I'LL TURN THIS OVER TO
6 ANDREW TO START THE DISCUSSION.

7

8 **ANDREW FREMIER:** THANK YOU, JOHN. LET ME APOLOGIZE FIRST OF ALL
9 FOR BEING IN MY CAR DURING THE MEETING BUT I HAD TO GET FROM
10 POINT A AND POINT B SO THANK GOD FOR THE TECHNOLOGY, AS
11 SOMEBODY SAID EARLIER. LOOK, THIS ITEM IS ONE THAT WE'RE
12 BRINGING FORWARD JUST AS INFORMATION, AND IT REALLY I THINK
13 HIGHLIGHTS A LOT OF THE DISCUSSION THAT YOU WILL WERE JUST
14 HAVING RELATIVE TO WHAT ASHLEY AND TOSHI'S GROUP DOES. ONE OF
15 THE THINGS THAT WE'VE BEEN DOING IN TAKING ON THIS ASSIGNMENT
16 IS REALLY REFLECTING ON THE INFRASTRUCTURE OF MTC AND THE
17 RELATIONSHIP, TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO MAKE OUR
18 EFFICIENCIES WORK WELL IN DELIVERING LARGE PROGRAMS, AND WHEN
19 WE DECIDED TO REALLY TAKE A LOOK AT IN MERGER, WE ALSO
20 CONTEMPLATED THE RELATIONSHIP WITH ITS BAY AREA TOLL AUTHORITY
21 HAS THE REGION TRAIL JOHN AND I TALKED ABOUT IS REALLY TAKING
22 A LOOK AT WHETHER OR NOT WE CAN STRENGTHEN THAT RELATIONSHIP.
23 [INDECIPHERABLE] TO THE REGIONAL TRAILS TO REALLY TAKE
24 ADVANTAGE OF THAT EFFORT WHAT YOU WILL SEE IN THE ATTACHMENT
25 IS THE BYLAWS HAVEN'T BEEN UPDATED SINCE 1990. I THINK THEY

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1 WERE DONE ON A TYPEWRITER, THIS IS SORT OF INTERESTING TO LOOK
2 AT. WHAT WE'D LIKE TO DO IN THE COMING MONTHS AND BEFORE THE
3 NEXT MEETING IS REALLY TRY TO PAY ATTENTION TO WHAT WE CAN DO
4 TO MODERNIZE THE RELATIONSHIP AND ALSO INCORPORATE THIS
5 PARTNERSHIP WITH THE BAY AREA TO WORK WITH YOU MORE DIRECTLY.
6 WE REALLY APPRECIATE THE CONVERSATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN
7 HAPPENING JUST IN THE LAST ITEM, AND REALLY I THINK SOLIDIFIED
8 WHAT OUR INTENTIONS WERE IN THAT THIS RECOGNITION THAT THE
9 TRAILS ARE NOT ONLY VERY IMPORTANT FOR RECREATION, BUT AS WE
10 CLOSE THE GAPS IN PARTICULAR ON THE BRIDGES, THEY'RE ALSO VERY
11 IMPORTANT FOR KEEPING THE COMMUTE PATHS WORKING, AND WE THINK
12 THAT THAT IS A PLACE WHERE WE CAN WIN IN BOTH AREAS,
13 RECREATION AND IN COMMUTING, THAT REALLY REFLECT THE GOALS OF
14 THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN. AND I THINK IF YOU GET
15 FAMILIAR WITH THE TURN THE PLAN IN THE AREA IN DISCUSSION
16 RIGHT NOW AND ABOUT TO BE EXECUTED, YOU'LL SEE AN INCREDIBLE
17 INVESTMENT IN ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION. AND SO WE THINK THIS WORK
18 THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HERE REALLY SETS US UP NICELY FOR
19 MODERNIZING THE PROGRAM AND REALLY DEVELOPING IMPROVEMENTS
20 THAT WILL PROVIDE BENEFIT TO ALL CITIZENS OF THE REGION. AND
21 THAT'S REALLY THE HEART OF THIS ITEM, IS JUST TO REMIND FOLKS
22 THAT THERE IS A EXISTING RELATIONSHIP THAT CAN BE STRENGTHENED
23 AND WE WANT TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO DO SO. SEAN, I'LL TURN
24 IT BACK TO YOU IF YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS.

25

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1 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SO I'M REMINDED OF ONE THING.
2 THIS IS SHOWING MY AGE. MANY YEARS AGO WHEN THE INTERSTATE
3 SURFACE TRANSPORTATION EFFICIENCY ACT WAS ADOPTED, IT CREATED
4 THE T PROGRAM, TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENTS ACTS OF, AND THAT
5 WAS THE FIRST TIME I WAS PART OF A PROCESS TO TRY AND DECIDE,
6 WHAT'S A TRANSPORTATION FACILITY AND WHAT'S NOT
7 TRANSPORTATION, WHAT'S RECREATION? AND THE BASIC CONCLUSION
8 WAS IF YOU ENJOY YOURSELF IT'S RECREATION. IF YOU DON'T ENJOY
9 YOURSELF, IT'S TRANSPORTATION. I THINK WE'RE KIND OF BEYOND
10 THAT DISTINCTION IN THAT -- AND IT'S ALSO VERY CLEAR THAT THE
11 BAY TRAIL IS NOT JUST A TRANSPORTATION FACILITY BUT IT'S A
12 DESTINATION, AND SO THE TWO WORK TOGETHER, AND I DO THINK THAT
13 THERE'S A WAY TO INTEGRATE THEM IN A WAY THAT THEY SUPPORT
14 EACH OTHER, BUT IT'S NOT STRAIGHTFORWARD, SO THAT'S SOMETHING
15 WE HAVE TO DEAL WITH AS WE GO FORWARD, OF HOW TO DO THE
16 ANALYSIS AND HOW TO SET PRIORITIES FOR PROJECTS. THIS
17 PARTICULAR ITEM IS JUST FOR INFORMATION, AND WHAT'S IN THE
18 PACKET YOU WILL SEE IS THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BAY TRAIL
19 PROJECT NON-PROFIT AND ABAG WHICH IS WAY OUT OF DATE. THAT
20 STRUCTURE DOES NOT EXIST ANYMORE. AND SO IT CLEARLY NEEDS TO
21 BE UPDATED, REVISED, REFLECT THAT ABAG IS NOW PART OF MTC AND
22 THE STRUCTURE IS BEING CHANGED. THE NEXT ITEMS, WHICH IS ABOUT
23 THE BYLAWS, IS ACTUALLY AN ACTION ITEM, AND THAT'S WHERE WE'LL
24 GET INTO THE QUESTION I THINK OF HOW DO WE GO FORWARD FROM
25 HERE. BUT FOR NOW I WOULD ASK ARE THERE OTHER COMMENTS OR

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1 OBSERVATION OR QUESTIONS THAT PEOPLE HAVE GENERALLY ABOUT
2 WHERE WE'RE AT IN TERMS OF THE MTC STRUCTURE AND THE BAY TRAIL
3 AND WHERE WE WANT TO BE GOING? GEORGE I HAVE ONE, JOHN. JOE
4 LACLAIR HERE. ASHLEY, NICE TO SEE YOU AFTER MANY YEARS AND
5 TOSHI, NICE TO MEET YOU. AND I JUST WANTED TO REFLECT ON THE
6 FACT THAT ONE OF THE STRENGTHS OF THE BAY TRAIL PROJECT HAS
7 BEEN ITS ABILITY TO LEVERAGE THE WORK OF OTHERS, AND THAT'S
8 REFLECTED IN THE BOARD MEMBERSHIP, WHETHER IT'S THE
9 CONSERVANCY FUNDING THROUGH GRANT PROGRAMS, THE CONSTRUCTION
10 OF PROJECTS BY MUNICIPALITIES AND PARK DISTRICTS AND OPEN
11 SPACE PROVIDERS AROUND THE BAY OR WORKING WITH AGENCIES LIKE
12 THE U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICES OR THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH
13 AND WILDLIFE AS THEY RESTORE WETLANDS AROUND THE BAY AND
14 INCORPORATE PUBLIC ACCESS AND BAY TRAIL SEGMENTS IN THEIR
15 PROJECTS. AND SO I THINK THAT ADVOCACY ROLE, THAT COORDINATION
16 ROLE, IN LIEU OF ACTUALLY DOING THE DESIGN AND FINDING THE
17 FUNDING BUT KIND OF LEVERAGING, ASSISTING AND ADVOCATING I
18 THINK ARE ALL REALLY IMPORTANT ROLES THAT THE BAY TRAIL STAFF
19 AND THE BAY TRAIL PROJECT AND BOARD HAVE PROVIDED OVER THE
20 YEARS. AND SO I JUST WANT TO REMIND THAT THAT'S AN IMPORTANT
21 COMPONENT OF GETTING THIS PROJECT DONE AND THAT IS SOMETHING
22 THAT WE'LL NEED TO RETAIN AS A CAPACITY I THINK IN THE BOARD,
23 IN THE STAFF AND THE PROJECT AND THE PARTNERSHIP, THE NEW
24 PARTNERSHIP WITH MTC.
25

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1 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SO I SEE JULIE BOLDURANT HAS
2 HER HAND RAISED. JULIE.

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4 **JULIE BONDURANT, CO-CHAIR:** I JUST HAD A QUESTION ABOUT THE
5 STAFFING. ETHAN BROUGHT IT UP AND JOE KIND OF ALLUDED TO IT.
6 JUST MAKING SURE THAT THERE'S STILL GOING TO BE AT LEAST THE
7 LEVEL OF STAFFING THAT THERE HAS BEEN IN THE PAST BECAUSE, AS
8 JOE SAID, A LOT OF IT'S JUST LONG-TERM ADVOCACY AND
9 PARTNERSHIP BUILDING WITH OUR VARIOUS PARTNERS TO GET THINGS
10 DONE, AND THAT'S A FULL-TIME JOB THAT I DON'T WANT TO SEE
11 TAKEN AWAY.

12

13 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** I WOULD JUMP IN ON THAT. I TOTALLY
14 CONCUR THAT THE BIGGEST VALUE OF THE BAY TRAIL STRUCTURE IN
15 THE PAST HAS BEEN WE HAVE A STAFF THAT KNOWS THE HISTORY, AND
16 THAT HISTORY IS EVERYTHING IN TERMS OF BEING ABLE TO DELIVER
17 PROJECTS AND BEING CREATIVE AND KNOWING WHEN THERE'S
18 OPPORTUNITIES SHOWING UP AND HOW BIG THEY ARE WHEN THEY DO
19 SHOW UP. SO HOWEVER THIS GOES FORWARD, I JUST -- I WOULD THROW
20 MY TWO CENTS IN THAT IT'S VERY CRITICAL I THINK TO MAINTAIN
21 STAFFING WHICH IS DEDICATED TO THE BAY TRAIL SO THAT THEY HAVE
22 THAT HISTORY LONG TERM, THEY KNOW THE BACKGROUND, THEY KNOW
23 THE PLAYERS, THEY KNOW THE OPPORTUNITIES. SO WITH THAT, ARE
24 THERE OTHER COMMENTS?

25

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1 **BRUCE BEYAERT:** YES, JUST PILING ON THAT, IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT
2 TO WORK WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND BE PART OF THEIR REVIEW
3 PROCESS IN NEW PROJECTS ALONG OR NEAR THE BAY TRAIL. OVER FIVE
4 MILES OF THE BAY TRAIL HAS BEEN BUILT BY THE PRIVATE SECTOR
5 THROUGH EFFORTS LOOK THAT.

6

7 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** AGREED. ANYONE ELSE?

8

9 **LEE HUO:** JOHN, THIS IS LEE. I HAVE ONE STEIN BUT IMPORTANT
10 DISTINCTION ABOUT A STATEMENT YOU MADE EARLIER ABOUT ABAG AND
11 T HAVE MTC. THE TWO DO EXIST SEPARATELY, AS SEPARATE ENTITIES
12 THOUGH STAFF ARE SERVING GETTING FOR BOTH AGENCIES AT THIS
13 POINT. ONE OF THE THINGS ABOUT THE CURRENT BYLAW IS IT'S AN
14 AGREEMENT BETWEEN ABAG AND THE BAY TRAIL BOARD ESSENTIALLY, SO
15 THERE IS A CLAUSE IN THERE ABOUT EXITING FROM THAT AGREEMENT.
16 SO I THINK THERE NEEDS TO BE SOME CONSIDERATION GOING THROUGH
17 THIS ABOUT HOW THAT RELATIONSHIP INTERPLACE BETWEEN
18 ESSENTIALLY THREE DIFFERENT ENTITIES AT THIS POINT. YOU KNOW,
19 I THINK ALL OF US HAD HOPED THAT WE'D BE AT A POINT WHERE ABAG
20 AND MTC WOULD BE JOINED TOGETHER IN REALTY IN GOVERNANCE AS
21 ONE AGENCY BUT IT STILL CREATES SOME DISTINCTIONS THAT WE HAVE
22 TO BE CAREFUL ABOUT AND IT COMPLICATES THINGS A LITTLE BIT.
23 BUT I'M CERTAIN THAT WE'LL BE ABLE TO WORK THROUGH THAT. IT'S
24 JUST STEPS THAT WE NEED TO BE AWARE OF.

25

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1 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THAT'S A GOOD POINT. ANY
2 OTHER COMMENTS?

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4 **ELLEN JOHNCK:** THANKS, LEE, FOR THAT DESCRIPTION WHY YOUR
5 STATEMENT THERE. I'VE DONE SOME FUNDRAISING WITH OTHER
6 ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE BAY TRAIL. I THINK IT WAS THE MTC GOLF
7 TOURNAMENT OR WHATEVER AT SOME POINT, GETTING OTHER PEOPLE TO
8 CONTRIBUTE, OTHER COMPANIES TO CONTRIBUTE ALONG THE
9 WATERFRONTS AND THAT KIND OF A THING, AND I JUST WANTED TO
10 MAKE SURE THAT -- I MEAN, THE BAY TRAIL IS STILL A NON-PROFIT,
11 RIGHT? IT'S IT'S STILL A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION.

12

13 **LEE HUO:** IT IS A 501(C)(3).

14

15 **ELLEN JOHNCK:** I WANT TO SAY I THINK YOUR PRESENTATION AND THE
16 RELATIONSHIP WITH THE MTC ARE FANTASTIC. GREAT.

17

18 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** SO IF THERE'S NO FURTHER COMMENT AND NO
19 PUBLIC COMMENT REQUESTS, GOOD.

20

21 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** I SEED NO MEMBERS OF THE PUB WITH THEIR
22 HAND RAISED AND NO WRITTEN COMMENTS WERE PRESENTED FOR THIS
23 ADVERTISEMENT.

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1 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** WE'LL MOVE TO ON ITEM 8 WHICH IS AN
2 ACTION ITEM AND THIS IS BASICALLY THE PLACE WHERE I THINK WE
3 CAN TALK ABOUT HOW WE WANT TO MOVE FORWARD. THE BYLAWS, ALL OF
4 THIS CHANGE OVER THE LAST YEAR HAS ENCOURAGED ME TO LOOK MORE
5 CLOSELY AT THE BYLAWS. I'M NOT SURE PEOPLE HAVE LOOKED AT THEM
6 MUCH FOR THE LAST 20 YEARS, AND THEY'RE CLEARLY OUT OF DATE IN
7 SEVERAL RESPECTS. BASICALLY AT ASSUMES A RELATIONSHIP WITH
8 ABAG ONLY. THERE'S NO DISCUSSION OR UNDERSTANDING OF OUR NEW
9 RELATIONSHIP AND HOW THAT WOULD WORK OUT. THE BOARD
10 COMPOSITION, IT'S VERY FLEXIBLE IN TERMS OF THE CATEGORIES OF
11 REPRESENTATIVES THAT ARE DESIRED FOR THE BOARD AND THE ACTUAL
12 NUMBER. HAVING SAID THAT, I'M NOT SURE IT'S THE SAME LIST
13 TODAY THAT MADE SENSE 20 YEARS AGO. ONE THING, FOR EXAMPLE,
14 THAT'S JUST REALLY JUMPS OUT AT ME IS THERE'S REALLY NO
15 DISCUSSION ABOUT ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE INPUT INTO THIS
16 PROCESS. WE TRIED TO GET IT IN VARIOUS WAYS BUT IT'S NOTE AN
17 EXPLICIT PART OF THE COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD CONSIDERATION
18 WHERE THE LOCATION OF THE BAY TRAIL IS LOCATED I THINK THAT
19 SHOULD BE PART OF THE DISCUSSION GOING FORWARD. THE THE BROWN
20 ACT DIDN'T REALLY EXIST THE WAY IT DOES TODAY BACK IN 1990.
21 AND SO THE BYLAWS HAVE SPECIFIC THINGS WHICH ARE NOT
22 NECESSARILY CONSISTENT WITH THE BROWN ACT, AND SO THAT KIND OF
23 JUST TECHNICAL CLEANUP NEEDS TO HAPPEN. AND THEN THE WATER
24 TRAIL IS NOT AT ALL DISCUSSED IN THE BAY TRAIL BYLAWS. SHOULD
25 IT BE? SO THERE'S A VARIETY OF THINGS THAT NEED TO BE

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1 DISCUSSED. AND I THINK THIS TOTALLY TIES INTO, WELL, WHAT IS
2 GOING TO BE THE MOU OR AGREEMENT GOING FORWARD BETWEEN THE BAY
3 TRAIL PROJECT NON-PROFIT AND THIS BOARD. WHAT IS THE BOARD'S
4 ROLE IN THIS NEW RELATIONSHIP IN TERMS OF PROJECT DELIVERY, IN
5 TERMS OF PROJECT PRIORITIZATION. IT'S -- THERE'S A LOT OF BIG
6 QUESTIONS ON THE TABLE, AND I DON'T THINK ANYONE IS PREPARED
7 TO ANSWER THEM TODAY, SO WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO PROPOSE IS WE
8 BASICALLY GO THROUGH A PROCESS, GET VOLUNTEERS FROM THE
9 CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS, A SUBSET OF YOU ALL, OF US ALL WHO WANT
10 TO WORK ON THIS, AND IT'S PROBABLY GOING TO TAKE SIX MONTHS TO
11 WORK THROUGH IT. I DON'T KNOW. BUT BASICALLY TO PUT TOGETHER
12 AN AD HOC COMMITTEE TO WORK WITH THE STAFF TO FIGURE OUT
13 BYLAWS AND AN MOU THAT MAKES SENSE GOING FORWARD. I DON'T
14 THINK THAT -- WELL, IF PEOPLE WANT TO VOLUNTEER TODAY, THAT
15 WOULD BE GREAT, BUT TO THE EXTENT THAT PEOPLE WANT TO THINK
16 ABOUT THIS AS WELL, I GUESS I WOULD PROPOSE A PROCESS WHERE
17 THE BOARD TODAY, IT BASICALLY SAYS THIS IS WHAT I WE WANT TO
18 GO. PEOPLE WHO WANT TO SERVE ON SOME KIND OF AN AD HOC
19 COMMITTEE EXPRESS THAT INTEREST TO MYSELF OR -- I'M NOT SURE
20 WHO ON STAFF WOULD BE THE RIGHT POINT PERSON AT THIS POINT. IT
21 WOULD HAVE BEEN MAUREEN PROBABLY UNTIL SHE BAILED ON US. BUT
22 ANYWAY, SO THAT'S THE PROPOSAL. AND THEN ONCE WE GET TOGETHER
23 A LIST OF PEOPLE WHO WANT TO WORK ON THIS TOGETHER WITH STAFF,
24 THEN WE CAN GET THAT PROCESS GOING AND HOPEFULLY BY TIME WE
25 HAVE OUR NEXT FULL BOARD MEETING, WHICH PRESUMABLY WOULD BE IN

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1 SIX MONTHS OR SO, THAT'S TYPICALLY I THINK BEEN THE PRACTICE,
2 PRE-PANDEMIC ANYWAY THAT WAS THE PRACTICE, SO ANY WAY THAT'S
3 THE SUGGESTION I WOULD PUT OUT THERE, AND I WOULD LOVE SOME
4 COMMENTS, FEEDBACK, DISCUSSION.

5

6 **ANTOINETTE ROMEO:** I AGREE WITH YOU, JOHN. I JUST HAD A LITTLE
7 BIT OF TIME THIS MORNING TO LOOK AT THIS, THE STAFF REPORT AND
8 SOME OF THE CHANGES TO THE MOU AND I DON'T FEEL COMFORTABLE
9 KNOWING ENOUGH ABOUT IT TO LIKE SAY YEA OR NAY AT THIS POINT.
10 I THINK IT'S A GOOD ASSOCIATION WITH MTC, BUT I TOTALLY AGREE
11 WITH YOU THAT I THINK BOARD MEMBERS SHOULD HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY
12 TO LOOK AT IT AND SERVE WITH SOME OF THE STAFF TO REVISE THE
13 BYLAWS AND THE MOU, SO -- AND SO I SEE THIS AGENDA ITEM AS
14 MORE OF AN INFORMATION ITEM AND WE'LL REVIEW AND TALK ABOUT IT
15 LATER, IF POSSIBLE.

16

17 **ROSEMARY CORBIN:** I AGREE. I THINK THAT IS A VERY GOOD
18 SUGGESTION. AND I THINK THAT IF WE NEED TO MEET AS A WHOLE
19 GROUP BEFORE SIX MONTHS, MAYBE WE COULD MEET AS IN AN AD HOC
20 WAY, AND I HOPE BRUCE BEYAERT VOLUNTEERS.

21

22 **BRUCE BEYAERT:** THANK YOU, ROSEMARY.

23

24 **ASHLEY NGUYEN:** CHAIR WOODBURY, THIS IS ASHLEY. UPDATING THE
25 BYLAWS IS NOT A TRIVIAL TASK. I THINK THERE MIGHT BE A NEED

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1 FOR SOME LEGAL SERVICES TO HELP US TO BRING THOSE BYLAWS UP TO
2 DATE AND REALLY THINK ABOUT SOME OF THE MODERNIZATION
3 COMPONENTS THAT ANDY REFERENCED IN TERMS OF HOW WE WORK
4 TOGETHER. SO I PUT THE QUESTION OUT THERE IN TERMS OF DO WE
5 HAVE ACCESS TO THESE KINDS OF LEGAL SERVICES? ARE YOU
6 INTERESTED IN ASKING MTC, OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL TO BE A
7 SUPPORT FOR YOU? THESE ARE THE KIND OF QUESTIONS I THINK THAT
8 THE BOARD SHOULD THINK ABOUT, AND THEN GIVE DIRECTION TO
9 STAFF.

10

11 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** YES. TO ME THIS IS A TWO-PART
12 DISCUSSION. THE FIRST PART IS REALLY RELATING TO THE LAST
13 ITEM, WHICH IS WHAT IS THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE BAY TRAIL
14 PROJECT NON-PROFIT AND MTC, AND WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND WHAT
15 THAT IS. WHAT DOES MTC WANT FROM US AS A BOARD AND WHAT DO WE
16 WANT FROM MTC. AND ONCE WE FIGURE THAT OUT, THEN WE'LL BE IN A
17 POSITION TO SAY WHAT NEEDS TO CHANGE IN THE BYLAWS TO
18 INCORPORATE THAT. SO I THINK THE BYLAWS DISCUSSION ITSELF IS
19 REALLY MORE A POLICY DISCUSSION FIRST ABOUT WHAT ARE THE ROLES
20 THAT WE WANT TO PLAY. OTHER COMMENTS? BILL LONG.

21

22 **BILL LONG:** YEAH, THIS IS BILL LONG. IF YOU WOULD LIKE A MOTION
23 TO FORMALIZE THIS PROCESS, I'LL MAKE ONE THAT WOULD BASICALLY
24 SAY YOU, THE CHAIR, IS AUTHORIZED TO APPOINT AN AD HOC
25 COMMITTEE TO TAKE ON THIS WORK.

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2 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** THERE'S A MOTION. IS THERE A SECOND?

3

4 **ROSEMARY CORBIN:** SECOND IT. ROSEMARY.

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6 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** PERFECT. THANK YOU. SO MOTION BY BILL

7 LONG, SECONDED BY ROSEMARY CORBIN TO AUTHORIZE ME AS CHAIR TO

8 APPOINT AN ODD HOCH COMMITTEE AFTER WE SOLICIT INTEREST FROM

9 WHO WANTS TO SERVE ON THAT COMMITTEEY.

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13 **BRUCE BEYAERT:** A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT. WOULD IT MAKE SENSE TO

14 ADD SOMETHING IN THERE, BILL, CONCERNING WORKING WITH MTC

15 OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL?

16

17 **BILL LONG:** WELL, ACTUALLY IS THAT APPROPRIATE FOR US TO DO

18 THAT?

19

20 **ROSEMARY CORBIN:** AS THE SECONDER OF THE MOTION, I THINK THAT'S

21 PREMATURE.

22

23 **BRUCE BEYAERT:** OKAY.

24

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1 **ANTOINETTE ROMEO:** WHAT IS THE MOTION, TO FORM A COMMITTEE TO
2 DO WHAT? TO DO LIKE JOHN SAID, JUST SEE, LOOK INTO, MAKE SURE
3 THE INTEREST OF THE BAY TRAIL ARE HEARD OR SEEN OR WORKED WITH
4 MTC OR -- I'M NOT QUITE SURE WHAT THE MOTION IS AND WHAT THE
5 COMMITTEE'S ROLE WILL BE, AT LEAST INITIALLY. I UNDER ABOUT
6 THE BYLAWS. THAT'S SOMETHING WE WOULD HAVE TO HAVE LEGAL
7 OPINIONS ON, BUT THE MOU, CAN WE SAY, YOU KNOW, JUST WHAT'S
8 GOING TO BE ON THE MOU AND WHAT WE WOULD LIKE AND WHAT MTC
9 WOULD LIKE SO WE CAN MOVE FORWARD? IS THERE ANY CLARIFICATION
10 ON WHAT THIS COMMITTEE WILL BE DOING INITIALLY.

11

12 **BILL LONG:** FAIR QUESTION. I GLOSSED OVER THAT BECAUSE THE
13 CONVERSATION UP TO THIS POINT HAS BEEN GENERAL AND AMORPHOUS.
14 I WOULD BE INCLINED TO LEAVE THE DETAILING OF THE CHARGE TO
15 THE AD HOC COMMITTEE AND LET THEM GET BACK TO THE BOARD AT AN
16 APPROPRIATE TIME WHENEVER THEY'RE READY WITH THEIR FIRST PHASE
17 REPORT WHICH WOULD COVER THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE BAY
18 TRAIL AND MTC.

19

20 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** I WOULD JUMP IN ON THAT THAT I WOULD
21 ASSUME THAT THE ROLE OF THIS AD HOC COMMITTEE IS TO MEET WITH
22 MTC STAFF AND MTC STAFF WILL FIGURE OUT WHO ARE THE RIGHT
23 PLAYERS TO BE INVOLVED WITH THOSE DISCUSSIONS. AND THOSE
24 INITIAL DISCUSSES ARE WHO ARE WE? WHAT ARE OUR GOALS GOING
25 FORWARD? AND THEN WHAT STEPS DO WE NEED TO TAKE TO GET THERE?

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1 SO THEN WE HAVE SOMETHING MORE SPECIFIC TO BRING BACK TO THE
2 FULL BOARD TO ACTUALLY DISCUSS. IT'S A MORE FOCUSED KIND OF
3 RECOMMENDATION. OTHER COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS.

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5 **JOE LACLAIR:** I WOULD JUST LIKE TO ADD THAT I THINK THAT THE
6 CHARGE OF THAT INITIAL GROUP WOULD BE TO FOCUS ON ALTERNATIVES
7 RATHER THAN MAYBE A RECOMMENDATION, AND IT MIGHT BE ABLE TO
8 DISTILL A RECOMMENDATION, BUT I THINK THAT GIVEN THE MAGNITUDE
9 OF THE CHANGE THAT IS TAKING PLACE, BOTH WITHIN THE BOARD AND,
10 YOU KNOW, REVISITING THE FUTURE OF THE NON-PROFIT AND THE
11 RELATIONSHIP WITH MTC, THAT PROBABLY IT IS GOOD TO START WITH
12 OPTIONS THAT CAN THEN BE CRYSTALLIZED INTO MORE CONCRETE
13 ACTIONS LATER ON.

14

15 **WENDY PROCTOR:** I'D LIKE TO ADD TO THAT. WHERE I THINK THIS IS
16 PRETTY COMPLEX, LIKE ASHLEY IS SAYING, THAT, YOU KNOW, I THINK
17 IF THERE'S A COMMITTEE, INITIAL COMMITTEE WOULD SORT OF SET
18 OUT A ROADMAP THAT'S GOING TO POTENTIALLY BREAK THIS DOWN INTO
19 SMALLER PIECES IF THERE'S GOING TO BE A LOT OF INPUT FROM
20 VARIOUS PEOPLE WHO HAVE DIFFERENT SPECIALTIES, THAT THAT COULD
21 SORT OF HELP FORMULATE A RECOMMENDATION FOR THE -- AS A NEXT
22 STEP. DUNCHTS I THINK IT WOULD BE PREMATURE FOR US TO HAVE THE
23 MTC STAFF COME INTO THAT FIRST MEETING. I THINK THAT WE NEED
24 TO DETERMINE WHERE WE WANT TO GO INITIALLY, AND THEN BRING IT
25 BACK TO THE BOARD, AND THE BOARD WOULD THEN FORMALIZE WHAT WE

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1 WANT TO DO, AND THEN WE'D ABLE TO GO BACK AND TALK WITH MTC
2 ABOUT WHAT WE'D LIKE TO DO. THAT'S MY COMMENT.

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4 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** OTHER COMMENTS.

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6 **JUAN RAIGOZA:** I CONCUR WITH LEO'S COMMENTS.

7

8 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** ME TOO. OTHER FACTS? I GUESS THE ONE
9 COMMENT I WOULD MAKE IS AS AN AD HOC COMMITTEE, THE COMMITTEE
10 CAN MEET WITHOUT GOING THROUGH THE WHOLE BROWN ACT RIGMAROLE,
11 SO IT CAN BE INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS. I'M NOT SURE HOW FAR A
12 COMMITTEE COULD REALLY GO UNLESS IT WAS ACTUALLY TALKING
13 ACTUALLY WITH MTC STAFF TO UNDERSTAND WHAT THE OPTIONS ARE AND
14 THE ALTERNATIVES, OTHERWISE, IT WOULD JUST BE TALKING IN THE
15 DARK, SO I GUESS I WOULD HOPE THAT THE CHARGE COULD BE A
16 BROADER ONE IN THE SENSE THAT IT'S, ONE, CERTAINLY THE AD HOC
17 COMMITTEE SHOULD TALK AMONG ITSELF AND IDENTIFY THE ISSUES AND
18 WHERE IT WANTS TO HEAD IN GENERAL TERMS, BUT IT SHOULD INCLUDE
19 ALSO CONSULTATION WITH MTC. OTHERWISE, WHAT'S GOING TO COME
20 BACK IS GOING TO BE UNINFORMED RECOMMENDATIONS OR OPINIONS.

21

22 **ROSEMARY CORBIN:** I AGREE.

23

24 **ANTOINETTE ROMEO:** I AGREE, TOO.

25

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1 **SEAN DOUGAN:** I HAVE A QUESTION, JOHN, AS A NEW MEMBER. IS
2 THERE A MISSION STATEMENT OR SOME DISCUSSION THAT HAS HAPPENED
3 IN THE PAST THAT I COULD READ OR COULD INFORM MY UNDERSTANDING
4 OF WHAT IT IS THAT THIS BOARD FEELS ITS JOB IS?

5

6 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** SO THERE'S A LITTLE BIT IN THE STAFF
7 MEMO THAT I THINK MAUREEN PUT TOGETHER THAT PULLS EXCERPTS OUT
8 OF THE BYLAWS IN TERMS OF THE GOALS AND PURPOSES OF THE BAY
9 TRAIL PROJECT, SO THERE'S A FEW THINGS RIGHT THERE, AND YOU
10 COULD ALSO THEN LOOK AT THE BYLAWS, WHEN THE FULL BYLAWS THAT
11 OTHER THINGS THAT AREN'T EXCERPTED, BUT THAT EXCERPT ACTUALLY
12 HIGHLIGHTS PART OF THE ISSUE. ONE OF THE KEY PURPOSES THAT WAS
13 IDENTIFIED IN THE BEGINNING WAS TO ACQUIRE AND OWN LAND AND
14 EASEMENTS. WELL, THE BAY TRAIL PROJECT HAS NEVER DONE THAT.
15 FROM ITS BEGINNING IT'S WORKED WITH LOCAL PARTNERS, OTHER
16 AGENCIES TO DO THE ACQUISITION THAT OWN THE RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND
17 TO BUILD IT. THAT'S A FUNDAMENTAL DISCONNECT BETWEEN THE
18 ORIGINAL THOUGHTS 25 YEARS AGO AND THE WAY WE'VE ACTUALLY
19 OPERATED. OTHER THOUGHTS.

20

21 **ELLEN JOHNCK:** JOHN AND ALL, YOU KNOW, MOST OF US PARTICIPATED
22 IN A DAY-LONG RETREAT OVER AT FORT MASON NOT THAT LONG AGO,
23 AND IT WAS A VERY EXCITING DAY WHEN WE THOUGHT ABOUT THE
24 FUTURE OF THE BAY TRAIL AND WHAT WE COULD DO FOR ITS MISSION
25 AND ITS SUCCESS. I DON'T KNOW WHERE -- I'VE LOST TRACK OVER

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1 WHERE THAT WAS GOING. THE LAST TIME I TALKED TO LAURA, YOU
2 HAVE ALL THE NOTES FROM THAT AND THERE WAS A CONSULTANT THAT
3 RAN THAT PROJECT, BUT I CERTAINLY DON'T WANT TO SEE THAT LOST
4 ANYWHERE. IT WAS KIND OF A MAJOR POINT IN OUR DISCUSSION AND
5 THINKING. QUITE INFORMATIVE. SO I WOULDN'T WANT TO LOSE THAT
6 IN THIS DISCUSSION OF WHEN THE STEERING COMMITTEE GETS GOING.

7

8 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** THEY'LL ACTUALLY, THAT RAISES A GOOD
9 POINT AND MAYBE THIS IS SOMETHING MAUREEN CAN DO BEFORE SHE
10 ABANDONS US COMPLETELY, WHICH IS TO FORWARD TO SOME OF THE NEW
11 MEMBERS SOME OF THE DOCUMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN DEVELOPED AND ARE
12 CURRENT. WE DO HAVE A WORK PROGRAM THAT THE BOARD SPENT A LOT
13 OF TIME TALKING ABOUT IN TERMS OF WHAT THE BAY TRAIL PROJECT
14 SHOULD BE DOING. AND I FORGOT OFFHAND BUTT THERE'S AT LEAST
15 TWO OR THREE DIFFERENT DOCUMENTS THAT TOGETHER WOULD GIVE A
16 PRETTY GOOD BACKGROUND OF THE HISTORIES OF WHAT THE PROJECT
17 HAS DONE AND HOW IT'S GONE ABOUT DOING IT AND WHERE WE THOUGHT
18 WE WERE GOING BEFORE THE PANDEMIC. ANY OTHER THOUGHTS?

19

20 **WENDY PROCTOR:** IN THE MEETING MINUTES THAT WERE ATTACHED TO
21 THE AGENDA ALSO, THERE'S A SECTION 6 THAT HAS ALL THE
22 BRAINSTORMING THAT HAPPENED IN THAT MEETING, I BELIEVE.

23

24 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** IF THERE ARE NO OTHER COMMENTS, FRED,
25 WERE THERE ANY PURCHASE COMMENTS OR HANDS RAISED?

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2 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** I SEE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR
3 RAND HAYED AND NO WRITTEN COMMENTS WITH SUBMITTED FOR THIS
4 ITEM.

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6 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** SO WE HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND. IS
7 EVERYONE CLEAR ON THE MOTION? IN THAT CASE LET'S DO A ROLL
8 CALL.

9

10 **FRED CASTRO:** ON THE MOTION BRUCE BAY ART.

11

12 **BRUCE BEYAERT:** AYE.

13

14 **JULIE BONDURANT, CO-CHAIR:** YES.

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16 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** BRENDA BUXTON.

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18 **BRENDA BUXTON:** YES.

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20 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** JOHN CORWIN BIN WITH ABSENT. ROSEMARY
21 BEGIN.

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23 **ROSEMARY CORBIN:** YES.

24

25 **CORINNE DEBRA:** YES.

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2 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** NANCE DONATI IS ABSENT.

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4 **LEO DUBOSE:** YES.

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6 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** MINANE JAMISON IS ABSENT. ELDON JOHNCKY.

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8 YES.

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10 BILL IAN.

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12 **BILL KEENE:**

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14 **JOE LACLAIR:** YES.

15

16 **ETHAN LAVINE:** YES.

17

18 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** DAVID LEWIS IS ABSENT. BILL LONG.

19

20 **BILL LONG:** YES.

21

22 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** JUDITH MALAMUT JUDITH MALAMUT.

23

24 **JUDITH MALAMUT:** YES.

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1 **FRED CASTRO:** THANK YOU. STEVEN MCADAM.

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3 **STEVE MCADAM:** YES.

4

5 **FRED CASTRO:** JULIA MILLER IS ABSENT. RICK PARMER IS ACCIDENT.

6 JUAN RAIGOZA. JUAN RAIGOZA IS ABSENT. ANTOINETTE ROMEO.

7

8 **ANTOINETTE ROMEO:** YES.

9

10 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** THANK YOU. DIANE ROSS-LEECH IS ABSENT. ANA

11 RUIZ. ANA RUIZ IS ABSENT. PHILLIP SALES IS ABSENT. LINDA

12 STONIER IS ABSENT. DON WEDEN.

13

14 **DON WEDEN:** AYE.

15

16 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** THANK YOU. JOHN WOODBURY.

17

18 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** YES.

19

20 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** ERIC ALM. REBECCA COATES MULDOON.

21

22 **YES.**

23

24 **SEAN DOUGAN.**

25

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1 **YES.**

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3 **WEND PROCTOR.**

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5 **YES.**

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7 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

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9 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** SO BASED ON THAT I WILL TALK TO MAUREEN
10 A LITTLE BIT MORE AND FIGURE OUT WHO YOU SHOULD EXPRESS YOUR
11 INTEREST TO IN TERMS OF SERVING ON THIS AD HOC COMMITTEE,
12 WHETHER IT BE ME DIRECTLY OR SHOULD IT BE THROUGH MAUREEN OR
13 LEE OR TOSHI OR WHOEVER WITHIN MTC THAT WOULD WANT TO HELP ON
14 THIS PART OF THIS. WITH THAT, ITEM 9, REPORT ON THE RICHARD
15 SAN RAFAEL BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN PATH. AND THIS IS LEE, RIGHT?

16

17 **LEE HUO:** THANKS, JOHN. IT'S ACTUALLY GOING TO BE JAMES GO WHO
18 IS PART OF THE RICHMOND SAN RAFAEL BRIDGE ACCESS IMPROVEMENT
19 PROJECT. I'M JUST DOING A QUICK INTRODUCTION OF JAMES. SO AS
20 YOU ALL KNOW, THERE'S BEEN OM CHANGES OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS
21 WITH OPERATION RIMMED OFFICER BRIDGE. THERE'S A FOUR-YEAR
22 PILOT PROGRAM BOTH LOOKING AT CHANGING THE SHOULDERS ON THE
23 EASTBOUND LANES OF THE RICHARD SAN RAFAEL BRIDGE FOR A THIRD
24 LANE TO REDUCE CONGESTION AS WELL AS A CONVERSION OF THE
25 SHOULDERS TO WHAT'S OPERATING AS A TRAIL AND PART OF THE BAY

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1 TRAIL SYSTEM ON THE WESTBOUND TOP DECK. SO WHAT JAMES IS GOING
2 TO DO AS PROJECT MANAGER IS GIVE US AN UPDATES OF WHAT'S BEEN
3 HAPPENING WITH THE TRAIL AND THE PROJECT SINCE ITS HAPPENING
4 IN NOVEMBER OF 2019. WITH THAT, I'LL TURN IT OVER TO JAMES.

5

6 **JAMES GO:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU, LEE. I DID PREPARE A
7 PRESENTATION. PERFECT. AGAIN, THANK YOU, LEE, FOR THE
8 INTRODUCTION AND GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. JAMES JAMES GO AND A
9 PROJECT ENGINEER AT THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
10 AND THE BAY AUTHORITY. TODAY MY COLLEAGUE AND I WILL BE
11 PROVIDING TO THE BOARD AN UPDATE ON THE RICHMOND-SAN RAFAEL
12 BRIDGE ACCESS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT WHICH INCLUDES THE NEW
13 BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN PATH ON THE UPPER BRIDGE DECK. THIS
14 PRESENTATION INCLUDES A HIGH LEVEL OVERVIEW OF THE PROJECT,
15 THE IMPROVEMENTS WE HAVE MADE IN 2020. I WILL ALSO BE SHARING
16 SOME OF THE GATHERED DATA REGARDING THE USAGE OF THE PATH AND,
17 I WILL ALSO SHARE SOME OF THE OPERATIONAL CHALLENGES AND
18 IMPROVEMENT WE HAVE MADE SINCE THE PATH HAS OPENED. NEXT
19 SLIDE. THE RICHMOND-SAN RAFAEL ACCESS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IS
20 COMPRISED OF THREE SEPARATE CONSTRUCTION PACKAGES. PACKAGE A
21 IN BLUE IS THE PEAK PERIOD USE LANE ON THE LOWER DECK HEADING
22 INTO THE EASTBOUND DIRECTION. THIS PROJECT CONVERTED THE
23 EXISTING SHOULDER INTO A TRAVEL LANE THAT IS OPEN TO TRAFFIC
24 DURING COMMUTE OURS ON WEEK DAYS BETWEEN 2:00 P.M. TO 7:00
25 P.M. PACKAGE ALSO ALSO INCLUDED ROADWAY WIDENING AT BOTH ENDS

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1 OF THE BRIDGE. PACKAGE B1 IN RED IS THE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN
2 PATH ON THE YOU ARE BRIDGE DECK HEADING IN THE WESTBOUND
3 CORRECTION. THIS PROJECT CONVERTED THE EXISTING SHOULDER INTO
4 A U. TWO-WAY BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN PATH. THIS PROJECT ALSO
5 INCLUDES BIKE PATH IMPROVEMENTS MADE ALONG THE SIR FRANCIS
6 DRAKE BOULEVARD OFF-RAMP IN MARIN COUNTY. LASTLY PACKAGE B2
7 WHICH IS IN ORANGE IS THE SIDEWALK WIDENING PROJECT ALONG EAST
8 SISQO BOULEVARD IN THE SAVVY SAN RAFAEL THAT WILL HELP CONNECT
9 AND TIE IN THE IMPROVEMENTS FROM PACKAGE B1. AS YOU CAN SEE ON
10 THE BOTTOM OF THE LEFT INSET. SO THE STATUS OF PACKAGE AB A
11 AND B1 ARE IN THE CLOSE-OUT STAGE WITH CALTRANS. PACKAGE B2
12 ARE WORKING THROUGH RIGHT-OF-WAY WAY AND UTILITY AGREEMENTS
13 WHILE WE IT AWAIT THE FUNDING FOR CONSTRUCTION. THIS
14 PRESENTATION WILL BE FOCUSED PRIMARILY ON THE BICYCLE AND
15 PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS OF THESE PROJECTS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.
16 JUST A COUPLE PROJECT UPDATES. THE PROJECT CONVERTED 6 MYSELF
17 EXISTING SHOULDER INTO BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN PATHS. BY
18 SEPARATING THE VEHICULAR TRACK OF WITH A CONCRETE MOVABLE
19 BARRIER SYSTEM AS SHOWN IN THE PHOTOS. THIS IS SIMILAR TO THE
20 SYSTEM USED ALONG THE MEDIAN OF THE GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE. THE
21 PROJECT ALSO IMPROVED CONNECTION TO EXISTING BICYCLE AND
22 PEDESTRIAN STRAN NETWORKS ON BOTH SIDES OF THE BRIDGE. PHOTO 4
23 SHOWS THE PATH THAT CONNECTS THE CITY OF RICHARD. THE PATH
24 WIECK LEE MENTIONED OPENED ON NOVEMBER 16, 2019 WHICH HAD A
25 VERY SUCCESSFUL RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY. THE PATH AND LOWER

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1 DECK IMPROVEMENTS ARE A PILOT PROJECT AND THEY ARE CURRENTLY
2 BEING STUDIED AND EVALUATED BY CALTRANS AND UC BERKELEY PATH
3 THROUGH THE SUMMER OF 2024. THEY HAVE BEEN PROVIDING US
4 QUARTERLY MEETING UPDATES AS WELL AS PERFORMING CONTINUED DATA
5 GATHERING AND ANALYSIS AND WILL BE PERFORMING UPCOMING SURVEYS
6 LATER THIS YEAR. AND LASTLY, THE PROJECT IS CURRENTLY
7 FINALIZING CONSTRUCTION PUNCH LIST AND PROJECT CLOSE-OUT. NEXT
8 SLIDE, PLEASE. THE NEXT FEW SLIDES ARE IMPROVEMENTS WE HAVE
9 ADVANCED IN 2020, SPECIFICALLY ON THE MARIN COUNTY SIDE.
10 PICTURES 2 THROUGH 6 IS THE SIR FRANCIS DRAKE BOULEVARD
11 FLYOVER PILOT PROJECT WHICH CONVERTED THE EXISTING SHOULDER
12 INTO A TWO-WAY CLASS 4 BIKE WAY USING THE SAME CONCRETE
13 MOVABLE BARRIER SYSTEM THAT'S ON THE BRIDGE. IMPROVEMENTS ALSO
14 INCLUDE NEW CROSSWALKS AND ISLANDS AT THE ANDERSON DRIVE
15 INTERSECTION. THIS PROJECT WAS DESIGNED AND FUNDED BY THE
16 TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY OF MARIN AND ENTERED INTO AN
17 AGREEMENT TO PRODUCT IT, BATA. NEXT ITEM IS PICTURES 1 WHICH
18 WE CALL THE CONNECTOR PATH. IT'S ACTUALLY AN EXTENSION OF THE
19 SIR FRANCIS DRAKE BOULEVARD FLYOVER WORK, AND THIS IMPROVEMENT
20 RELOCATED THE ACCESS POINT ALONG FRANCISCO BOULEVARD BY
21 SEVERAL HUNDRED FEET. AND THE NEXT FEW SLIDES I'LL BE PASSING
22 ON IT TO MY COLLEAGUE NICOLA.

23

24 **NICOLA SZIBBO:** NEXT SLIDE. THANKS, JAMES. GOOD MORNING, CHAIR
25 WOODBURY AND BOARD MEMBERS. MY NAME IS CLICK SZIBBO AND I'M A

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1 TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER IN THE DESIGN AND PROJECT DELIVERY
2 SECTION AT M MCWITH A BACKGROUND IN COMPLETE STREETS AND
3 TRAILS, PLANNING DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION. A AND I AM GOING
4 TO GO OVER A QUICK BUILD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT THAT WE PARTNERED
5 ON IN THE RICHARD SAN RAFAEL CORRIDOR IN 2020. SO IN ABOUT
6 MID-2020 WE BEGAN COORDINATING WITH THE CITY OF SAN RAFAEL TO
7 DESIGN AND DELIVER SIGNING AND STRIPING SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS AT
8 THE INTERSECTION OF GRANGE AVENUE AND EAST FRANCISCO BOULEVARD
9 WHICH CONNECT TO THE SIR FRANCE DRAKE BOULEVARD. DUE TO OUR
10 SWIFT COORDINATION AND ABILITY TO LEVERAGE OUR QUICK BUILD ON-
11 CALL CONSULTANT SUPPORT, WE WERE ABLE TO DESIGN AND CONSTRUCT
12 THE PROJECT WITHIN A SPAN OF SIX MONTHS WITH THE COMPLETION
13 DATE OF DECEMBER 2020. BY QUICK BUILD I'M REFERENCING PILOT OR
14 INTERIM PROJECTS, USES TEMPORARY OR MODULAR MATERIALS, RELIES
15 ON RAPID IMPLEMENTATION AND CONSISTS OF MINOR CIVIL
16 ENGINEERING WORK. IN THIS INSTANCE HERE THE QUICK BUILD
17 IMPROVEMENTS COMPRISED OF A BIKE CROSS AND PROTECTED BIKE LANE
18 TO PROTECT USERS OF ALL AGES AND ABILITIES. NEXT SLIDE.
19 SIMULTANEOUS TO THE QUICK BUILD AT GRANT AVENUE, WE MOVED
20 FORWARD WITH AN ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM, ATP, AND GRANT
21 PROGRAM FOR THE LONG-TERM IMPROVEMENTS HAVE B2 WHICH CONNECTS
22 THE RICHMOND-SAN RAFAEL BRIDGE TO SIR FRANCIS DRAKE BOULEVARD.
23 THE CURRENT STATUS FOR THIS B2 PACKAGE IS THAT FINAL DESIGN IS
24 COMPLETE AND RIGHT-OF-WAY CERTIFICATION IS IN PROGRESS. IN
25 VERY EXCITING NEWS, WE ARE RECENTLY NOTIFIED THAT WE HAD BEEN

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1 RECOMMENDED FOR AN AWARD FOR \$4.3 MILLION TO FUND CONSTRUCTION
2 OF THE SITE. AND MTC PROVIDED A 23% OVERMATCH IN LOCAL FUNDS
3 WHICH CONTRIBUTED TO THE HIGH SCORE AND SUCCESS OF OUR GRANT
4 APPLICATION. AND WITH THAT, I'LL HAND IT BACK TO JAMES TO
5 CONTINUE THE PRESENTATION.

6

7 **JAMES GO:** THANK YOU, NICOLA. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. THE NEXT FEW
8 SLIDES I'LL BE TALKING ABOUT BRIDGE PATH. THE PROJECT
9 INSTALLED COUNTERS ON BOTH ENDS OF THE BRIDGE AS PARTLY PILOT
10 PERFORMANCE MEASURES. I DO WANT TO NOTICE THAT THESE COUNTS
11 ARE -- EXTERNAL FACTORS CAN AFFECT THE ACCURACY BUT WE DO TEST
12 THEM ON A REGULAR BASIS. THIS SLIDE SHOWS THE BRIDGE PATH
13 USAGE OF CYCLISTS ONLY. THIS IS BASED ON WEEKLY AVERAGES
14 THROUGHOUT 2020 WHICH SAW APPROXIMATELY 1700 CYCLISTS PER
15 WEEK. AS YOU ALL KNOW, 2020 WAS A CHALLENGING YEAR, SO THE
16 DATA REPRESENTS THE PEAKS AND VALLEYS THAT ARE ATTRIBUTED TO
17 SOME OBSERVATIONS THAT IMPACT THE USAGE SUCH AS, A, THE STAY
18 AT HOME ORDERS IN MARCH, B, PEAK DURING WARMER WEATHER
19 STARTING IN MAY, AND THEN W, INTERMITTENT DIPS DUE TO POOR AIR
20 QUALITY FROM THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA FIRES THROUGH AUGUST AND
21 SEPTEMBER, AND D, THE LOWER USAGE ATTRIBUTABLE TO COLD WEATHER
22 AND RAINY DAYS TOWARDS THE END OF THE YEAR. CALTRANS AND UC
23 BERKELEY WILL CONTINUE TO MONITOR THE USAGE AND COMPARE THIS
24 DATA AGAINST HOPEFULLY POST PANDEMIC YEARS. NEXT SLIDE,
25 PLEASE. AND THIS SLIDE SHOWS THE DAY OF TIME ANALYSIS OF

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1 BRIDGE PATH USAGE BY CYCLISTS. IT SHOWS THE USAGE PEAKS IN THE
2 LATE MORNING AND PEAKS IN THE EASTBOUND DIRECTION IN THE EARLY
3 AFTERNOON FOR BOTH A TYPICAL WEEK DAY AND WEEKEND. NEXT SLIDE.
4 THIS SLIDE SHOWS THE CYCLIST COUNTS FOR WEEK DAY AND WEEKEND
5 DAILY AVERAGE OF THE OTHER BAY AREA BRIDGES WITH BIKE PATHS
6 AND THIS IS AVERAGED OVER THE LAST 45 DAYS WHEN I PREPARED A
7 PRESENTATION AS OF MARCH 3, 2021, AND FORGIVE ME, I FOUND A
8 TYPO ON THE DATE BELOW THE CHART. IT SHOULD BE 2021 AND NOT
9 2020. THIS IS BAY FUNDED DATA. THE BRIDGE USUALLY FLIP-FLOPS
10 WITH THE DUNBARTON BRIDGE FOR SECOND PLACE ABOUT HALF THE
11 TOTAL OF THE BAY BRIDGE USAGE. I ALSO WANT TO HIGHLIGHT THAT
12 THE RICHMOND-SAN RAFAEL BRIDGE PATH REACHED A MILESTONE OF
13 100,000 CYCLISTS LAST MONTH IN FEBRUARY. NEXT SLIDE. THIS
14 SLIDE SHOWS THE PEDESTRIAN COUNTS FOR WEEK DAY AND WEEKEND
15 DAILY AVERAGE FOR THE SAME BARRIER BRIDGES IN THE LAST SLIDE.

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17 **ROSEMARY CORBIN:** BRUCE AND ME IN THE PICTURE.

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19 **JAMES GO:** SORRY. YEAH, I FOUND THIS ON GOOGLE. I WASN'T SPYING
20 OUR GUYS. BUT THIS SLIDE SHOWS THE, AGAIN, THE PEDESTRIAN
21 COUNTS FOR WEEKEND AND WEEKDAY DAILY AVERAGE. DUE TO PHYSICAL
22 AND TECHNOLOGICAL CONSTRAINTS THERE IS ONE PEDESTRIAN COUNTER
23 AND IT'S LOCATED RICHMOND SIDE OF THE BRIDGE. THIS DATA SHOWS
24 THAT THE RSR BRIDGE HAS ABOUT 15 TO 50S PEDESTRIAN COUNTS,
25 AND, YOU KNOW, I DO WANT TO HIGHLIGHT, TOO, THAT RICHMOND

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1 BRIDGE IS THE LONGEST AS FAR AS DISTANCE COMPARED TO THE OTHER
2 BRIDGES, SO MAYBE THAT COULD BE AN INTIMIDATING FACTOR. NEXT
3 SLIDE, PLEASE. AND SO THIS SLIDE SHOWS SOME OF THE OPERATIONAL
4 IMPROVEMENTS AND POTENTIAL UPCOMING BRIDGE PATH CLOSURES.
5 AGAIN, THIS IS AN INNOVATIVE PILOT PROJECT WITHIN THE REGION,
6 IS WE HAVE BEEN PRESENTED SOME CHALLENGES SINCE THE PATH
7 OPENED THAT WE'VE CONTINUED TO WORK WITH OUR STAKEHOLDER TO
8 RESOLVE. SOME OF THE ADDITIONAL IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDE
9 INSTALLING BOLLARDS AND BARRIERS TO PREVENT ANY MOTORIZED
10 VEHICLES ENTERING THE PATH. WE ALSO INSTALLED PAVEMENT
11 MARKINGS AND SIGNAGE ALONG THE PATH TO MINIMIZE ANY INJURIES
12 OR ACCIDENTS THAT COULD BE CAUSED BASED ON GEOMETRY. WE ALSO
13 IMPLEMENTED A CRISIS COUNSELING SERVICE VIA TEXT OR PHONE. WE
14 HAVE PROVIDE CRISIS INTERNING TRAINING TO CHP AND CALTRANS
15 BRIDGE STAFF. AND WE ALSO INSTALLED CRISIS COUNSELING SIGNAGE
16 THROUGHOUT THE BRIDGE TO MINIMIZE ANY POTENTIAL JUMP PERPS WE
17 ALSO HAVE CONTINUED COORDINATION WITH THE CALTRANS BRIDGE
18 STAFF AND FIRST RESPONDERS ON INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TO MINIMIZE
19 PATH CLOSURES AND DOWN TIME. A COMMON INCIDENT IS ROADWAY
20 VEHICLES HITTING THE MOVABLE BARRIERS AND SHIFTING IT INTO THE
21 PATH. THAT'S BEYOND THE TOLERANCE LIMITS. AND ON THE RIGHT --
22 ON THE BOTTOM RIGHT SIDE THERE ARE ALSO -- I DO WANT TO POINT
23 OUT THAT THERE WILL BE SOME POTENTIAL PATH CLOSURES AS IT
24 RELATES TO BRIDGE REHAB, PAINTING, MAINTENANCE AND INSPECTION
25 ACTIVITIES THAT WILL BE PERFORMED BY CALTRANS. TO ENSURE THE

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1 STRUCTURAL INTEGRITIES OF THIS AGING BRIDGE. I ALSO WANT TO
2 NOTE THAT 30 BE A PAINT CONTRACT STARTING THIS SPRING AND
3 SUMMER, AND IF THERE ARE ANY PATH CLOSURES, WE'LL MAKE SURE TO
4 NOTIFY THE PUBLIC THROUGH WEBSITES AND SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS
5 THROUGH OUR MTC 501 BAY TRAIL AND OTHER BICYCLE COALITION
6 GROUPS. IN THE EVENT OF ANY PATH CLOSURES, WE'LL ENSURE THAT
7 SHULTZ SHUTTLES ON EACH END OF THE BRIDGE CAN PICK UP AND DROP
8 OFF CYCLISTS OR PEDESTRIANS THAT NEED TO GET ACROSS THE BRIDGE
9 AS WELL. NEXT SLIDE. AND LASTLY THIS PROJECT CANNOT BE
10 COMPLETED WITHOUT THE SUPPORTED OF SOME OF THE KEY
11 STAKEHOLDERS. SORRY IF I LEFT ANYONE OUT, BUT CALTRANS
12 SPECIFICALLY THEIR HEADQUARTERS IN DISTRICT 4, ALL THE COUNTY
13 TRANSPORTATION AGENCIES, LOCAL CITY AGENCIES, FIRST
14 RESPONDERS, BAY TRAIL, AND BCDC, AS WELL AS THE VARIOUS
15 BICYCLE COALITION, AND H. ARE THE PRIME CONTRACTORS AND
16 CONSULTANTS WHO DESIGNED AND CONSTRUCTED THIS PROJECT TO MAKE
17 IT HAPPEN. NEXT SLIDE. THAT CONCLUDES THIS PRESENTATION, AND
18 THANK YOU.

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20 **ROSEMARY CORBIN:** MAY I ASK A QUESTION?

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22 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** YES, ROSEMARY.

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24 **ROSEMARY CORBIN:** HOW DO THE STATISTICS COMPARE WITH THE
25 PROJECTIONS WHEN THIS PROJECT STARTED?

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2 **JAMES GO:** SO MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT THERE WEREN'T ANY
3 ESTIMATES OR PROJECTIONS BEFORE THE PROJECT STARTED BECAUSE
4 OF, I GUESS JUST THE NATURE OF THE PROJECT. IT WAS DIFFICULT
5 TO QUANTIFY AS FAR AS HOW MANY USERS, YOU KNOW, WOULD ACTUALLY
6 RIDE THE PATH.

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8 **BRUCE BEYAERT:** FIELD OF DREAMS. BUILD IT AND THEY WILL COME.

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10 **LEO DUBOSE:** I WANT TO EMPHASIZE IS THAT AS WELL.

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12 **ROSEMARY CORBIN:** THE REASON I ASKED THE QUESTION IS THERE WERE
13 -- THERE WERE AND STILL ARE A LOT OF CRITICS. THERE ARE A LOT
14 OF PEOPLE IN MARIN WHO WANT THAT AS A LANE. AND I'M JUST
15 WONDERING IF THE STATISTICS ARE OPTIMISTIC FOR KEEPING IT THE
16 FOUR YEARS.

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18 **JAMES GO:** I GUESS JUST BASED ON THE USAGE UP TO DATE AND THAT
19 GRAPHIC EXAIRTS TO ALL THE OTHER BAY AREA BRIDGES, IT'S
20 DEFINITELY SHOWN THAT IT IS HEAVILY USED AND THAT THERE ARE A
21 LOT OF CYCLISTS THAT TRAVEL THE PATH, AND SO AGAIN THERE WILL
22 ALSO -- AS PART OF THE PILOT PROGRAM, UC BERKELEY AND CALTRANS
23 WILL ALSO BE CONDUCTING SURVEYS AND OUTREACH TO GATHER SOME OF
24 THE DATA AND ALSO MAKE THAT RECOMMENDATION THE END OF THE
25 PILOT PROGRAM.

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2 **NICOLA SZIBBO:** I JUST WANT TO SAY WITH THE ACTIVE
3 TRANSPORTATION STUDY WILL BE GATHERING INFORMATION FOR THAT
4 THAT WILL HOPEFULLY GO INTO THE SUCCESSFUL METRICS FOR THIS
5 PROJECT.

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7 **LEE HUO:** THE THING TO REMEMBER IT'S A PILOT PROJECT THAT'S
8 BASE WILL A PROVE IT PROJECT. WHAT WILL MAKE IT SUCCESSFUL IS
9 IF PEOPLE MAKE IT SUCCESSFUL, THAT PEOPLE GO OUT AND UTILIZE
10 IT, AND THAT REALLY IS WHAT THIS IS ABOUT. WE'RE TRYING TO
11 SHOW THAT IF YOU BUILD THE TRAIL, THAT IT WILL HAPPEN I THINK
12 IS WHAT BRUCE WAS ALLUDING TO, FIELD OF DREAMS.

13

14 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** THE OTHER COMMENT I WOULD SAY IS THAT
15 WE'RE NOT THERE YET BECAUSE THE CONNECTIONS FOR THE REALLY ALL
16 COMPLETE, PARTICULARLY ON THE MARIN SIDE, AND SO THE MORE OF
17 THOSE CLOSURES THAT CAN HAPPEN, THEN THERE WILL BE A MORE
18 GENUINE TEST OF WHAT THE OPTIONS ARE. MAUREEN, YOU HAD A
19 COMMENT?

20

21 **MAUREEN GAFFNEY:** JUST SOME TEN CENTS ABOUT THE CONNECTION ON
22 THE MARIN SIDE. THOSE REALLY WERE SUBSTANDARD RIGHT WHEN THE
23 PATHWAY OPENED, AND A LOT OF HARD WORK HAS BEEN DONE TO TRY TO
24 SORT OF CATCH UP AND MAKE -- [INDECIPHERABLE] PRESENTED SOME
25 OF THOSE TO US AND IT'S BEEN GREAT TO SEE THOSE MORE WORK

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1 BEING DONE. MORE WORK HAS TO BE DONE BUT THE KEY IMPROVEMENTS
2 WE'RE CERTAINLY DELIGHTED TO SEE.

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4 **BRUCE BEYAERT:** YOU CAN FIND QUICK BUILD CONNECTIONS IN
5 RICHMOND BUT IT WOULD BE GREAT FOR MARIN TO BE ABLE TO PROVIDE
6 SAFE CROSSING FROM SIR FRANCIS DRAKE AFTER THE OVERCROSSING
7 AND 580 ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE SIR FRANCIS DRAKE AND THEN
8 YOU'VE GOT TO GO TO THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE CLASS 1 TRAIL, SO I
9 HOPE SOMETHING CAN BE DONE THERE. JAMES, IT WOULD BE GREAT --
10 MY SIDEWALK HASN'T HAD PEDESTRIAN COUNTS ON IT FOR THE BRIDGE
11 NORMALLY. IT HAD THEM FOR A WHILE BUT THEY DISAPPEARS AT THE
12 DRAKE PEDESTRIAN COUNTS ON MY SIDEWALK DATABASE. I THINK IT
13 WOULD BE WORTH THINKING ABOUT SORT OF EDUCATION ADVOCACY
14 PROGRAM TO HELP GET THE WORD OUT MORE TO BICYCLISTS AND
15 PEDESTRIANS, TOO, ABOUT THAT TRAIL AND ENCOURAGE ITS USE, SO
16 IT WOULD BE GOOD SOME WAY MTC CAN WORK WITH MARIN BIKES,
17 BIKING BAY AND TRACK AND OTHERS. WE HAVE A GOOD CONSTITUENCY,
18 EMAIL LIST, ET CETERA, WE COULD HELP PUBLICIZE THE ATTRACTION
19 AND THE IMPORTANCE OF USING THE SAN RAFAEL BIKE TRAIL.

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21 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** TO YOUR POINT, WE ALSO ARE A KEY IN THAT
22 AND WE COMPLEMENT THOSE STRATEGIES. WE KNOW THAT IN A VACUUM
23 YOU'LL ONLY GET A MINIMAL NUMBER OF PEOPLE ON THE BRIDGE SO
24 WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON THOSE INFRASTRUCTURE CONNECTIONS AS WELL
25 AS THE COMPLEMENTARY TRANSITIONAL AROUND THE EBIKE REBATE AND

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1 WE HAVE CONTRACTED WITH MARIN COUNTY BIKE COALITION, BIKE EAST
2 BAY, CITY RIDES AND A NUMBER OF RETAILS TO DO GROUP RIDES ON
3 THE CORRIDOR, BEAUT WE HAVE HAD TO POSTPONE DUE TO COVID, SO
4 WE ARE ACTIVELY TRYING TO DO AS MUCH AS WE CAN TO GET PEOPLE
5 OUT THERE.

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7 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** APPRECIATE THAT. I NEED I GUESS BE CHAIR
8 HERE AND NOTE WE'RE WAY OVERDUE OUR AGENDA, SO --

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10 **TOSHI SHEPARD-OHTA:** DO YOU MIND CALLING AN ON ANDREA ANY FEEL
11 GUILTY FOR JUMPING IN FRONT.

12

13 **ANDREA GAFFNEY:** JUST SOMETHING REALLY QUICK. I'M NOT SURE
14 YOU'RE AWARE OF THIS BUT CALTRANS REACHED OUT TO BCDC BECAUSE
15 WE'RE THE PLAN REVIEW AUTHORITY FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION. THERE
16 ARE A LOT OF FISHERMEN FISHING OFF THE MARIN SIDE OF THE
17 BRIDGE, AND SO I DO NOT THINK THAT THAT'S BEING ACCOUNTED FOR
18 IN THE PEDESTRIAN ACTIVITY. WE HAVE -- THEY HAVE ASKED TO US
19 PUT UP A SIGN TO PREVENT FISHING BECAUSE THEY HAVE
20 DEMONSTRATED THAT IT'S A SAFETY RISK FOR NOT ONLY CYCLISTS
21 BECAUSE THEY'RE BLOCKING THE PATH BUT ALSO APPARENT CASTING
22 INTO TRAFFIC. SO WE SAID, OKAY, PUT A SIGN UP. THEY'RE FISHING
23 ON THE CAUSEWAY SECTION. YOU KNOW, THERE'S ABOUT A MILE LONG
24 LOW SECTION. AND SO WE SAID, OKAY, BUT UP PUT UP A SIGN
25 IMMEDIATELY WHERE THE BRIDGE LEAVES LAND SO THAT THEN THEY CAN

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1 FISH ON THE LAND SIDE THAT'S ADJACENT TO THE BRIDGE, BUT THEN
2 ALSO IF THIS PROJECT DOES, IN FACT, TURN INTO A MORE PERMANENT
3 INSTALLATION, THEN THERE SHOULD BE A CONSIDERATION FOR OTHER
4 USERS IF THEY WANT TO ALLOW FISHING ON THE BRIDGE, HAVING LIKE
5 BELVEDERE, WIDENING THAT PATHWAY TO ALLOW FOR ADDITIONAL
6 PAUSING ACTIVITIES, SO THAT'S SOMETHING THAT WE HAVE CALLED TO
7 CALTRANS ATTENTION. I DON'T KNOW IF MTC WAS AWARE OF THIS OR
8 NOT SO I JUST THOUGHT I'D MENTION IT HERE.

9

10 **JAMES GO:** YES, ANDREA, WE ARE AWARE AND WE'VE BEEN WORK WITH
11 MCCARTHY THERE AT CALTRANS WHO I BELIEVE INITIATED THE
12 DISCUSSION WITH BCDC STAFF. AND SO WE ARE WORKING WITH THE
13 PROJECT MANAGER WITH CALTRANS TO COME UP WITH JUST SOME
14 IMPROVED SIGNAGE AND LOCATION TO POST ON THE BRIDGE LIKE YOU
15 ALLUDED TO, AND ALSO THEY'VE -- I GUESS ALSO WE'RE GOING TO
16 WORK ON MAYBE ADDING A SIGN NEAR THAT VISTA POINT TO MAYBE SAY
17 THAT FISHING IS ALLOWED THERE. SO I GUESS THE SHORT ANSWER IS,
18 YES, WE ARE AWARE AND WE'RE WORKING ON THAT. AND AS FAR AS THE
19 PERMITTED CONDITION, PERHAPS THAT'S SOMETHING THAT COULD BE
20 COMMENTED ON DURING THE SURVEYS, AND I'M SURE THAT THAT WILL
21 BE CONSIDERED. THANK YOU.

22

23 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** SO WITH THAT, THIS IS AN INFORMATION
24 ITEM ONLY. WE'RE OVER TIME, SO I WILL CALL THE END TO THIS
25 ITEM AND MOVE ON TO ITEM 10 WHEN IS BAY TRAIL OPENINGS AND BE

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1 THIS IS LEE ASK AND VIJAY GIVING AN UPDATE ON WHAT HAPPENED
2 DURING THE PANDEMIC.

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4 **LEE HUO:** I'LL START OUT ON THIS. I'LL DO THIS QUICKLY. THERE'S
5 BEEN SOME PRETTY HEAVY SUBJECT MATTER TODAY. WE WANTED TO END
6 ON KIND OF A POSITIVE NOTE AND TALK ABOUT SOME OF THE
7 SUCCESSES DURING THE PANDEMIC. IF YOU CAN PUT THE SLIDE SHOW
8 ON. THANKS VERY MUCH. SO ONE OF THE PROBABLY BIGGEST WELL-
9 KNOWN ONES THAT'S GOTTEN A LOT OF MEDIA COVERAGE IS THE JULY
10 2020 OPTION OF WHAT IS COMMONLY CALL ALBANY BEACH BAY TRAIL
11 SEGMENT BUT IT'S ALSO KNOWN AS THE GOLDEN GATE FIELD SEGMENT
12 NEXT TO THE RACE HOR TRACK. I KNOW THAT MAP IS SUPER TINY AND
13 KIND OF HARD TO SEE. THE THE ALIGNMENT WHERE THE CLOSING
14 OCCURRED IS ON THE LOWER RIGHT-HAND SIDE OF THAT MAP. YOU CAN
15 KIND OF SEE IT'S GOT NICE VISTAS OUT THERE OF THE CITY SCAPE.
16 THIS WAS A 1 MILE GAP THAT ESSENTIALLY CREATES 40 MILES OF
17 CONTINUOUS CONNECTED BAY TRAIL FROM ABOUT GOLDEN GATE FIELDS
18 TO POINT PINAL. THERE'S A TINY AWKWARD LITTLE GAP ON THE
19 GILMAN STREET END OF THINGS THAT'S GOING TO BE FILLED IN AS
20 PART OF GILMAN STREET INTERCHANGE PROJECT THAT THE CITY OF
21 BERKELEY AND ALAMEDA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION ARE
22 WORKING ON. YOU CAN STILL BYPASS IT PRETTY EASLY. THERE'S A
23 EASY ACCESS ACROSS IT EVEN THOUGH IT'S A LITTLE AWKWARD.
24 BEYOND THAT IT GIVES YOU ANOTHER 18 MILES OF CONTINUOUS BAY
25 TRAIL TO HEADS DOWN TO THE PORT OF OAKLAND AND THE YERBA BUENA

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1 ISLAND BAY BRIDGE TRAIL. OLIVER THIS IS GOING TO BE A GREAT
2 OPPORTUNITY TO OPPORTUNITY FOR ALTERNATIVE COMMUTE IN THE LONG
3 RUN. NEXT SLIDE. I JUST WANTED TO SHOW YOU SOME BEAUTIFUL
4 SLIDES OF THAT AREA. THIS IS VISTA POINT THAT WAS PUT IN BY
5 EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT. YOU CAN SEE THE GOLDEN GATE
6 BRIDGE AND THE PROJECT. THIS IS THE TRAILS TEAM BEFORE LAURA
7 LEFT BEN ON THE LEFT, LAURA IN THE WHITE, VIJAY NEXT TO HER,
8 AND ON THE RIGHT IS MAUREEN. NEXT SLIDE. JUST A DIFFERENT LOOK
9 AT SOME OF THE CHALLENGES THAT THEY HAD TO DEAL WITH ON THIS
10 PROJECT WHERE THEY HAD TO CLIMB A SLOPE THERE AND RETAINING
11 WALL TO BASICALLY HOLD BACK SOME OF THE SOILS ON THE OTHER
12 SIDE. NEXT SLIDE. AND JUST AGAIN, JUST SHOWING OFF THE VISTA
13 AND HOW PEOPLE ENJOY IT. NEXT SLIDE. ANOTHER OPENING THAT
14 HAPPENED IN NOVEMBER 20, ALTHOUGH NOT QUITE AS, YOU KNOW,
15 PROBABLY SHINY, BUT IT'S NO LESS IMPORTANT AS A GAP CLOSURE IS
16 THE GOODRICK AVENUE PROJECT WHICH PUTS IN A SEGMENT OF GAP
17 CLOSURE BETWEEN THE DOTSON FAMILY MARSH AND THE RICHMOND
18 PARKWAY. THIS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PREVIOUS PROJECT IS WHAT
19 HELPS CREATE THAT 40 MILES OF CONTINUOUS BAY TRAIL. AND I'D
20 LIKE TO THANK THE CITY OF RICHMOND AND BRUCE FOR A LOT OF THE
21 EFFORTS THEY WENT THROUGH TO PUSH FORWARD THIS PROJECT AND TO
22 FIND THE FUNDING FOR THIS. WITH DOTSON FAMILY MARSH THERE'S A
23 LOTS OF OPPORTUNITIES OUT THERE FOR SOME WETLAND, WILDLIFE
24 VIEWING, AND GHEEN THIS IS WHAT KEEPS CREATING THE ALTERNATIVE
25 COMMUTE. AND I'LL TURN IT OVER TO VIJAY FOR THE NEXT SLIDE.

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2 **VIJAY KESAVAN:** NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. IN AUGUST OF LAST YEAR IN
3 THE SOUTH BAY WE HAD THE RAVENSWOOD BAY TRAIL OPENING. THIS
4 PROJECT ALLOWED FOR A HALF MILE GAP CLOSURE BETWEEN UNIVERSITY
5 AVENUE AND THE MID-PEN REGIONAL OPEN SPACE PRESERVE DIST. THUS
6 ALLOWING FOR 35 MILES OF COTTONUS BAY TRAIL ACCESS. NEXT
7 SLIDE, PLEASE. AS YOU CAN SEE, THERE I WAS BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION
8 THAT PROVIDED FOR ACCESS TO THE BAY FOR EAST PALO ALTO AND
9 MENLO PARK RESIDENTS. ALSO AN ALTERNATIVE FOR CYCLISTS. THE
10 AREAS HAS LOTS OF WILDLIFE VIEWING AND ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION
11 OPPORTUNITIES. I BELIEVE THAT'S THE END OF MY SLIDES. IF YOU
12 WANT TO SWITCH TO THE NEXT SLIDE, THAT MIGHT BE THE LAST ONE.

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14 **LEE HUO:** I THINK THAT'S IT. SO I THINK, JOHN, WE'RE AT THE END
15 HERE IF YOU WANT TO CLOSE THINGS UP.

16

17 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** WELL, THANK YOU SO MUCH. IT WAS GOOD TO
18 SEE THINGS HAPPENING IN THE MIDDLE HAVE A PANDEMIC. IN SOME
19 WAYS THE LAST YEAR FELT LIKE A LOST YEAR FOR I THINK MANY OF
20 US, BUT PEOPLE WERE STILL BUSY AND STILL DOING THINGS, SO
21 THAT'S WONDERFUL. THAT'S THE REST OF THE AGENDA. THE LAST ITEM
22 IS REALLY PUBLIC COMMENT, IF THERE IS ANY.

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1 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** THIS IS FRED. I SEE NO ATTENDANCE WITH
2 THEIR HANDS RAISE. NO GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED
3 FOR THIS ITEM.

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5 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** SO IN THAT DAYS I THINK WE'RE READY TO A
6 SURIN JOURN. THERE IS NO DATE SPORT NEXT MEETING. TYPICALLY IT
7 WOULD BE IN ABOUT SIX MONTHS, AS AS WAS COMMENTED ON. THERE
8 MIGHT BE VALUE IN DOING SOMETHING EARLIER IF INFORMATION
9 CHANGES, IF THIS AD HOC COMMITTEE MAKES A LOT OF PROGRESS VERY
10 QUICKLY BUT WE'LL SEE HOW THAT PLAYS OUT.

11

12 **BRENDA BUXTON:** I THOUGHT WE WERE THINKING ONE IN MAY BECAUSE
13 WE MIGHT HAVE SOME GRANT ROUND --

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15 **MAUREEN GAFFNEY:** THAT'S THE STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING.

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17 **BRENDA BUXTON:** I'M SORRY. I GOT CONFUSED.

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19 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** YEAH, IT'S HARD. BUT MEANWHILE IF YOU
20 ARE INTERESTED, AND I HOPE SOME OF YOU ARE, PARTICULARLY
21 PEOPLE WHO HAVE HAD A LOT OF EXPERIENCE WITH THE BAY TRAIL, AS
22 WELL AS SOME OF THE NEW MEMBERS WHO HAVE NEW ENERGY AND IDEAS,
23 IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN BEING PART OF THIS AD HOC COMMITTEE TO
24 TALK ABOUT WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE WANT TO BE WHEN WE GROW UP,
25 LET ME KNOW OR MAUREEN KNOW AND WE'LL ACTUALLY FOLLOW UP WITH

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1 SOME MORE WRITTEN COMMUNICATION JUST FORMALIZING THIS PROCESS
2 OF HOW TO GET PART OF THIS GOING FORWARD.

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4 **ROSEMARY CORBIN:** I JUST HAVE ONE SHORT QUESTION, AND THAT IS
5 YOU SAID THAT THE AD HOC COMMITTEE NOT BE GOVERNED BY THE
6 BROWN ACT. IF THEY GET MORE THAN A MAJORITY OF MEMBERS, DOES
7 THAT CHANGE?

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9 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** YES. THAT'S MY UNDERSTANDING. SO -- BUT
10 I DON'T THINK WE'RE GOING TO GET MORE THAN A QUORUM, BUT IF WE
11 DO, THEN THAT'S A PROBLEM WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO DEAL WITH.

12

13 **ROSEMARY CORBIN:** OKAY.

14

15 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** ANY OTHER COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS? ALL
16 RIGHT.

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18 **ANTOINETTE ROMEO:** ONE OTHER THING. YOU SAID THAT MAUREEN CAN
19 MAYBE GIVE TO THE NEW MEMBERS BACKGROUND INFORMATION. I THINK
20 SHE SHOULD JUST PUSH THAT OUT, WHAT DOCUMENTS ARE AVAILABLE.

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22 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** YEAH. SHE WILL DO THAT. THANK YOU MUCH,
23 EVERYBODY, FOR HANGING IN THERE.

24

25 **ROSEMARY CORBIN:** THANK YOU.

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2 **JOHN WOODBURY, CHAIR:** HAVE A GOOD WEEKEND. BYE.

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4 **FRED CASTRO, CLERK:** NTT, GREAT JOB. HAVE A NICE WEEKEND,

5 EVERYBODY.

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