# METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION Meeting Transcript



1	ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS
2	JOINT MTC PLANNING COMMITTEE WITH THE
3	ABAG ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE
4	FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2021, 9:45 A.M.
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6	JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: I WOULD LIKE TO CALL THE JOINT
7	MTC PLANNING COMMITTEE WITH THE ABAG ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE
8	TO ORDER. JESS, YOU CAN ROLL THE COVID ANNOUNCEMENT, PLEASE?
9	[RECORDED MEETING PROCEDURES ANNOUNCEMENT] DUE TO COVID-19
10	THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED AS A ZOOM WEBINAR PURSUANT TO
11	THE PROVISIONS OF THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20 WHICH
12	SUSPENDS CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS OF THE BROWN ACT. THIS MEETING
13	IS BEING WEBCAST ON THE MTC WEB SITE. THE CHAIR WILL CALL
14	UPON COMMISSIONERS, PRESENTERS, STAFF, AND OTHER SPEAKERS BY
15	NAME AND ASK THAT THEY SPEAK CLEARLY AND STATE THEIR NAMES
16	BEFORE GIVING COMMENTS OR REMARKS. PERSONS PARTICIPATING VIA
17	WEBCAST AND ZOOM WITH THEIR CAMERAS ENABLED ARE REMINDED THAT
18	THEIR ACTIVITIES ARE VISIBLE TO VIEWERS. COMMISSIONERS AND
19	MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATING BY ZOOM WISHING TO SPEAK
20	SHOULD USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE, OR DIAL STAR NINE, AND THE
21	CHAIR WILL CALL UPON THEM AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME.
22	TELECONFERENCE ATTENDEES WILL BE CALLED UPON BY THE LAST FOUR
23	DIGITS OF THEIR PHONE NUMBER. IT IS REQUESTED THAT PUBLIC
24	SPEAKERS STATE THEIR NAMES AND ORGANIZATION, BUT PROVIDING
25	SUCH INFORMATION IS VOLUNTARY. WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS



1	RECEIVED AT INFO@BAYAREAMETRO.GOV BY 5:00 P.M. YESTERDAY WILL
2	BE POSTED TO THE ONLINE AGENDA AND ENTERED INTO THE RECORD BUT
3	WILL NOT BE READ OUT LOUD. IF AUTHORS OF THE WRITTEN
4	CORRESPONDENCE WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK, THEY ARE FREE TO DO SO. A
5	ROLL CALL VOTE WILL BE TAKEN FOR ALL ACTION ITEMS. PANELISTS
6	AND ATTENDEES SHOULD NOTE THAT THE CHAT FEATURE IS NOT ACTIVE.
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8	JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: THANK YOU. WHAT I'LL DO IS I'LL
9	TAKE ITEM 1 AND 4. THIS IS THE MTC ROLL CALL TO CONFIRM A
10	QUORUM AND THEN OUR CONSENT CALENDAR. AND WITH THAT, MARTHA
11	COULD YOU TAKE THE MTC ROLL, PLEASE?
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13	CLERK OF THE BOARD: WILL DO. CHAIR SPERING?
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15	JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: PRESENT.
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17	CLERK OF THE BOARD: VICE CHAIR AHN?
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19	EDDIE AHN: HERE.
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21	CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER CANEPA?
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23	DAVID CANEPA: HERE.
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CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER CONNOLY?



1 2 DAMON CONNOLLY: HERE. 3 CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER DUTRA-VERNACI? 4 5 6 CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: HERE. 7 8 CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER FLEMING? COMMISSIONER 9 GIACOPINI NON-VOTING? 10 DORENE M. GIACOPINI: HERE. 11 12 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. COMMISSIONER LICCARDO? 13 14 COMMISSIONER LICCARDO? COMMISSIONER SCHAFF? COMMISSIONER 15 SCHAFF? WE HAVE A QUORUM. 16 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: THANK YOU MARTHA. NEXT IS THE MTC 17 18 PLANNING COMMITTEE CONSENT CALENDAR. MARTHA, DO YOU HAVE ANY PUBLIC COMMENTS? OR ANY WRITTEN COMMENTS? 19 20 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED ON 21 22 THIS ITEM AND THERE IS ONE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED. BARRY IS YOUR QUESTION ABOUT PLANNED BAY AREA? OR 23 IS IT ABOUT OUR CONSENT CALENDAR? 24



1	SPEAKER: I DON'T SEE THE AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING ON YOUR WEB
2	SITE.
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4	JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: SO THIS WILL BE I'M SURE IT'S
5	THE 2050 PLAN, MARTHA.
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7	CLERK OF THE BOARD: OKAY.
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9	JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: SO WITH THAT, I'LL ENTERTAIN A
10	MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR.
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12	CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: DUTRA-VERNACI MOVES APPROVAL.
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14	DAVID CANEPA: SECOND CANEPA.
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16	JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: WITH THAT WE'LL MOVE TO ROLL CALI
17	VOTE, MARTHA.
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19	CLERK OF THE BOARD: [ROLL CALL VOTE]
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21	CLERK OF THE BOARD: IT PASSES. AND OUR GENERAL COUNSEL HAD A
22	COMMENT.
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24	KATHLEEN KANE: THANK YOU. THROUGH THE CHAIR. I JUST WANT TO
25	NOTE FOR AND ANY MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC, IF ANYBODY IS CONFUSED,



1	THE AGENDA IS ON THE WEB SITE F YOU GO TO
2	HTTPS//MTC.CA.GOV/MEETINGS/EVENTS OR JUST GOOGLE OR SEARCH FOR
3	MTC MEETINGS, THE AGENDAS ARE ALL LIVE.
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5	JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: THANK YOU FOR THOSE COMMENTS.
6	I'LL TURN IT OVER TO PRESIDENT ARREGUIN, AND HE'LL DO ITEM TWO
7	AND THREE AND THE ABAG ROLL CALL.
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9	JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: I'LL ASK THE ABAG CLERK OF THE
10	BOARD TO PLEASE CONDUCT A ROLL CALL TO CONFIRM WHETHER A
11	QUORUM OF THE ABAG ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE IS PRESENT.
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13	CLERK OF THE BOARD: ARREGUIN?
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15	JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: HERE.
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17	CLERK OF THE BOARD: FLIGOR? ABSENT. MAYOR HUDSON?
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19	DAVID E. HUDSON: HERE.
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21	CLERK OF THE BOARD: SUPERVISOR LEE? LEE?
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23	OTTO LEE: HERE.



1	CLERK OF THE BOARD: SUPERVISOR MANDELMAN? IS ABSENT.
2	SUPERVISOR MITCHOFF?
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4	KAREN MITCHOFF: HERE.
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6	CLERK OF THE BOARD: PERALEZ?
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8	RAUL PERALEZ: HERE.
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10	CLERK OF THE BOARD: SUPERVISOR RABBIT?
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12	DAVID RABBIT, MTC V. CHAIR: HERE.
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14	CLERK OF THE BOARD: SUPERVISOR RAMOS?
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16	BELIA RAMOS: HERE.
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18	CLERK OF THE BOARD: MAYOR ROMERO?
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20	CARLOS ROMERO: HERE.
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22	CLERK OF THE BOARD: MAYOR WILSON? ABSENT. QUORUM IS PRESENT.
23	
	JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: WE'LL MOVE TO ITEM TWO, THE ABAG
	COMPENSATION ANNOUNCEMENT.



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2	CLERK OF THE BOARD: ACCORDING TO STATE LAW I AM MAKING THE
3	FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENT, THE MEMBERS OF THE ABAG BOARD IN
4	ATTENDANCE AT THIS MEETING ARE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE PER DIEM AN
5	AMOUNT OF \$100 AS A RESULT OF CONVENING A MEETING FOR WHICH
6	EACH MEMBER IS ENTITLED TO COLLECT PER DIEM. THANK YOU.
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8	JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: OUR NEXT ITEM IS ITEM 3B, APPROVAL
9	OF BAYREN SINGLE FAMILY DESIGN IMPLEMENTATION CONSULTING
10	SERVICES, DOES ANY MEMBER WISH TO PULL AN ITEM OR IS THERE A
11	MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR?
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13	DAVID E. HUDSON: MOVE CONSENT; HUDSON.
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15	PAT ECKLUND: SECOND BY ECKLUND.
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17	JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: MOTION BY HUDSON; SECOND BY
18	ECKLUND. COLLEAGUES, ANY COMMENTS ON THE MOTION? I DON'T SEE
19	ANY RAISED HANDS. MR. CASTRO, ANY PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED ON
20	THIS ITEM?
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22	CLERK OF THE BOARD: THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED ON
23	THIS ITEM.



JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: THANK YOU. WITH THAT, I'LL ASK THE 1 2 CLERK TO CALL THE ROLL. 3 CLERK OF THE BOARD: ROLL ON THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE 4 5 CONSENT CALENDAR. 6 7 JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: YES. 8 CLERK OF THE BOARD: [ROLL CALL VOTE] MOTION PASSES. 9 10 JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: MOTION CARRIES. I'LL TURN IT TO 11 CHAIR SPERING FOR THE MAIN EVENT. JIM, YOU'RE MUTED. 12 13 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: THANK YOU PRESIDENT ARREGUIN 14 15 WE'RE GOING TO MOVE TO FINAL PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 AND AS 16 CHAIR PEDROZA AND ARREGUIN WILL TELL YOU IT'S BEEN A LONG JOURNEY TO GET TO THIS POINT AND THIS IS A LANDMARK DECISION 17 WE'RE GOING TO BE MAKING TODAY SENDING THIS PLAN ON TO THE 18 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND THE COMMISSION. THERE IS THOUSANDS OF 19 HOURS THAT HAVE BEEN PUT INTO THIS, THOUSANDS OF PUBLIC 20 TESTIMONY WORKING WITH MULTIPLE JURISDICTIONS AND IT REALLY 21 HAS BEEN, I THINK, A PLAN -- OH, NO OF ANY OTHER PLAN AT MTC 22 THAT HAS HAD THIS MUCH PUBLIC EXPOSURE AS THIS PLAN HAD, AND 23 THE STRATEGIES THAT ARE INCORPORATED IN THIS PLAN, I WANT TO 24

COMMEND THE ABAG EXECUTIVE STAFF AND MTC COMMISSIONERS. THIS



- 1 IS JUST A WELL THOUGHT OUT PLAN AND GOOD WORK. SO WITH THAT
- 2 WE'LL BE MOVE ON TO MULTIPLE ITEMS. WE'RE GOING TO HAVE THE
- 3 AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY BEFORE US TODAY THE ENVIRONMENTAL
- 4 IMPACT REPORT, AND ALSO THE FINAL PLAN THAT WE'LL BE
- 5 RECOMMENDING BOTH TO MTC COMMISSION AND ABAG EXECUTIVE BOARD.
- 6 AND SO I WANT TO THANK BOTH CHAIR PEDROZA AND PRESIDENT
- 7 ARREGUIN. THEY BOTH HAVE BEEN TIRELESSLY WORKING ON THIS
- 8 PROJECT. SO, THANK BOTH OF YOU, IN YOUR LEADERSHIP IN THOSE
- 9 TWO AGENCIES. WITH THAT, DAVE VAUTIN, ARE YOU GOING TO BE
- 10 KICKING IT OFF WITH THE CONSOLIDATED SLIDE DECK AND WALK US
- 11 THROUGH THIS PLAN?

- 13 MATT MALONEY: COMMISSIONER SPERING, I'LL SAY A FEW WORDS THIS
- 14 MATT MALONEY DIRECTOR OF PLANNING. AND THEN I'LL PASS IT TO
- 15 DAVE. AND THANK YOU CHAIR SPERING. THIS IS A BIG DAY FOR US,
- 16 THE FINAL REFERRAL OF THE PLAN TO THE MTC COMMISSION AND ABAG
- 17 EXECUTIVE BOARD. THERE ARE FOUR SEPARATE ITEMS TO ACT ON TODAY
- 18 5B THROUGH 5E BUT DAVE WILL RUN YOU THROUGH UNIFIED SLIDE DECK
- 19 THAT COVERS ALL THE ITEMS. BEFORE I HAND IT TO DAVE I WANT TO
- 20 ADD SOME QUICK PERSPECTIVE ON THE PLAN THAT'S BEFORE YOU
- 21 TODAY. SO, FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE PROCESS, FOUR YEARS AGO,
- 22 WE PLACED A CENTRAL FOCUS ON EXPANDING THE REACH OF OUR
- 23 OUTREACH TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE BAY AREA. AND THAT'S REALLY
- 24 BECAUSE WE WANTED THIS PLAN TO REFLECT THE POINTS OF VIEW OF
- 25 AS MANY OF OUR RESIDENTS AS POSSIBLE. AND, NOT SIMPLY JUST THE

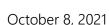


- 1 FOLKS WITH THE MEANS AND THE TIME TO PARTICIPATE. AND
- 2 ACCOMPLISHING THAT MEANT, REALLY, MEETING PEOPLE WHERE THEY
- 3 WERE. BEFORE COVID-19, WE WERE OUT IN COMMUNITIES DOING POP-UP
- 4 WORKSHOPS, THAT'S WHEN WE WERE KIND OF FACE-TO-FACE AND TIMES
- 5 WERE NORMAL. WE SPENT A LOT OF TIME ON SOCIAL MEDIA, REALLY
- 6 PROVIDING EVERYONE ACCESS TO OUR DIGITAL SURVEYS AND OUR GAMES
- 7 AND MAKING SURE FOLKS KNEW WHAT WAS GOING ON. OBVIOUSLY
- 8 VIRTUALLY THROUGH ZOOM, MANY WORKSHOPS MANY WEBINAR SESSIONS
- 9 AND WE ALSO USED OLD FASHIONS TECHNOLOGIES LIKE THE TELEPHONE
- 10 AND U.S. MAIL FOR A LOT OF WHAT WE DID IN THIS PROCESS AND
- 11 BEYOND MEETING PEOPLE WHERE WE WERE, WE LISTENED TO THEM AND
- 12 FROM THEM. AND INCORPORATED INTO THE SET OF THE 35 STRATEGIES
- 13 THAT YOU KNOW WELL, AND THIS IS REALLY WHAT COMPOSES THE PLAN.
- 14 YOU WILL SEE A BIT TODAY OF HOW WE ENGAGED WITH OUR YOUTH IN
- 15 THIS PROCESS. THIS WAS ALSO A BIG PRIORITY FOR US. THIS IS THE
- 16 DEMOGRAPHIC THAT IS INHERITING THIS REGION. AND THEY ARE THE
- 17 ONES THAT HAVE, PERHAPS, THE BIGGEST STAKE IN SEEING A
- 18 REGIONAL PLAN LIKE THIS ACTUALLY COME TO FRUITION. SO I WANT
- 19 TO CLOSE BY THANKING THE THOUSANDS OF BAY AREA RESIDENTS WHO
- 20 TOOK PART IN THIS EFFORT. WE DISCUSSED THESE VENUES, AND THIS
- 21 IS BY AND LARGE SHARED VARIOUS. I ALSO WANT TO THANK THE
- 22 COMMITTEE WHO HAVE HEARD COUNTLESS PRESS OVER THE LAST FOUR
- 23 YEARS, YOU HAVE ALL PLACED YOUR STAMP ON THIS PLAN AS WELL AND
- 24 YOUR CONSTITUENTS THANK YOU FOR THAT. WE HAVE RECEIVED
- 25 CORRESPONDENCE AS WELL THAT'S IN YOUR PACKET AND WE ARE HAPPY



- 1 TO RESPOND TO THAT TODAY AFTER THE PRESENTATION. AND WITH THAT
- 2 I'M GOING TO PASS IT OVER TO OUR PROJECT MANAGER. THIS IS THE
- 3 SECOND TO LAST TIME I CAN REFER TO HIM AS PLANNED BAY AREA
- 4 2050 PROJECT MANAGER HE'S JUST GOING TO BE GO BACK TO BECOMING
- 5 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR DAVE VAUTIN. D

- 7 DAVE VAUTIN: THANK YOU, MATT. AND, THANK YOU, MEMBERS OF THE
- 8 COMMITTEE. GOOD MORNING. AS MATT MENTIONED, DAVE VAUTIN,
- 9 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF MAJOR PLANS. I AM PLEASED TO BE HERE
- 10 THIS MORNING TO PRESENT FINAL PLANNED BAY AREA 2050, THE
- 11 REGIONAL PLAN FOR TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING, THE ECONOMY, AND
- 12 THE ENVIRONMENT. AND ASK THAT STAFF BRING UP THE SLIDE DECK.
- 13 THANK YOU. I'M ALSO JOINED BY ADAM NOELTING WHO LED THE EIR
- 14 PROCESS WITH AMY HIGUERA OF THOMAS LAW GROUP AND FRAN RIVERA
- 15 OF A SENSE ENVIRONMENTAL, AS WELL AS CHIRAG RABARI WHO LED THE
- 16 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN, AND RALEIGH MCCOY WHO LED THE PLAN
- 17 DOCUMENT AND URSULA VOGLER WHO LED OUR PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT WORK
- 18 FOR THIS CYCLE. NEXT SLIDE. AS MATT MENTIONED, PLANNED BAY
- 19 AREA 2050 HAS GONE THROUGH AN EXTENSIVE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS
- 20 THAT SPANNED NEARLY FOUR YEARS. AND FROM THE HORIZON
- 21 INITIATIVE IN 2018 AND 2019, MTC AND ABAG EXPLORED DIVERGENT
- 22 FUTURES FOR OUR REGION, FOCUSING ON RESILIENT STRATEGIES,
- 23 POLICIES AND INVESTMENTS THAT ADVANCE MORE EQUITABLE OUTCOMES
- 24 IN THE UNCERTAIN FUTURE WE LIVE IN TODAY. BETTER UNDERSTANDING
- 25 OF HOW THOSE STRATEGIES FARED UNDER WIDE ARRANGE RANGING





- 1 FUTURE CONTINUES SET US UP FOR A MUCH FIRMER FOUNDATION FOR
- 2 OUR PLANNING WORK IN COVID HIT IN EARLY 2020. AND DURING THE
- 3 BLUEPRINT PROCESS THROUGHOUT 2020, WE REFINED STRATEGIES TO
- 4 INCREASE THE PLAN'S PROGRESS TOWARDS KEY OBJECTIVES, WEAVE IN
- 5 FURTHER PUBLIC INPUT AND INTEGRATE EMERGING ISSUES RELATED TO
- 6 POST-COVID RECOVERY. ULTIMATELY, THE COMMISSION AND ABAG
- 7 EXECUTIVE BOARD, AS YOU ARE AWARE, VOTED IN JANUARY 2021 TO
- 8 ADVANCE THE FINAL BLUEPRINT AS THE PROPOSED PLAN INTO THE
- 9 ENVIRONMENTAL PROCESS. AND THIS'S WHAT STAFF IS RECOMMENDING
- 10 FOR ADOPTION AS THE FINAL PLAN, LATER IN THIS PRESENTATION.
- 11 THIS YOUR-YEAR LONG DELIBERATE PROCESS CREATED A MORE
- 12 COMPREHENSIVE REGIONAL VISION THAN EVER BEFORE, WITH NEW
- 13 ELEMENTS FOCUSED ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL
- 14 RESILIENCE, COMPLIMENTING OUR WORK IN THE TRANSPORTATION AND
- 15 HOUSING SPACES. NEXT SLIDE. NOTABLY, PLANNED BAY AREA 2050
- 16 REPRESENTS A MAJOR EVOLUTION OF THE REGIONAL VISION, COMPARED
- 17 TO PAST ITERATIONS OF PLANNED BAY AREA. IT INTEGRATED THAT
- 18 STRATEGIC PIVOT AWAY FROM PREDICTING THE FUTURE TO EMBRACING
- 19 UNCERTAINTY AND PREPARING FOR IT. IT PLACED EQUITY FRONT AND
- 20 CENTER AND WORKED TO CRAFT EACH STRATEGY WITH AN EQUITY FIRST
- 21 MINDSET. THE PLAN ALSO INTEGRATED NEW AND DIKE FORMS OF
- 22 PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT, FROM MOBILE GAINS LIKE THE MAYOR OF
- 23 BAYVILLE TO PRECOVID POP-UP EVENTS AT FARMERS MARKETS AND
- 24 LIBRARIES. AND IT'S THE FIRST PROJECT TACKLED BY AN INTEGRATED
- 25 TEAM OF FORMER MTC AND FORMER ABAG STAFF COMING TOGETHER IN





- 1 2017. I BELIEVE IT DEMONSTRATES HOUR EFFECTIVE THE UNIFIED
- 2 REGIONAL PLANNING TEAM CAN BE FOR OUR REGION. WHEN IT COMES
- 3 TO POLICY, PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 GOES WELL BEYOND ITS
- 4 PREDECESSORS, NOT JUST ACKNOWLEDGING THE HOUSING CRISIS, BUT
- 5 LAYING OUT THE SPECIFIC STRATEGIES NEEDED TO TACKLE IT AND
- 6 BRING DOWN OUR REGION'S STUBBORNLY HIGH COST OF LIVING. IT
- 7 INTEGRATED BOLD NEW STRATEGIES TO ADDRESS OUR TRANSPORTATION
- 8 CHALLENGES AND ACHIEVE THE AMBITIOUS GREENHOUSE GAS TARGETS
- 9 SET BY THE STATE FROM ROADWAY PRICING TO SPEED LIMIT
- 10 REDUCTIONS. AND FOR THE FIRST TIME, RATHER THAN JUST
- 11 ANALYZING SEA LEVEL RISE AS AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT, IT LAID
- 12 OUT A VISION OF PROTECTIONS, BOTH GREEN AND GRAY, THAT RING
- 13 THE BAY AND OUR PACIFIC COAST TO MITIGATE NEARLY ALL IMPACTS
- 14 THROUGH 2050. AND, FINALLY, THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN SPECIFIES
- 15 ACTIONS THAT MTC AND ABAG WILL ADVANCE OVER THE NEXT FIVE
- 16 YEARS, NOT JUST FOR A HANDFUL OF STRATEGIES, BUT ALL 35 OF
- 17 THEM. NEXT SLIDE. AS MATT MENTIONED, CREATING THIS PLAN WOULD
- 18 NOT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE WITHOUT DEEP SUSTAINED PUBLIC
- 19 ENGAGEMENT ACROSS OUR DIVERSE REGION. WE HOLD MORE THAN 400
- 20 AND MEETINGS AND EVENTS, TARGETED TO THE PUBLIC AND
- 21 STAKEHOLDERS OVER THE LAST FOUR YEARS. AND WITH INNOVATIVE
- 22 AND TARGETED ENGAGEMENT TECHNIQUES, WE WERE ABLE TO INCREASE
- 23 PARTICIPATION AND INPUT BY AN ORDER OF MAGNITUDE, COMPARED TO
- 24 PRIOR LONG-RANGE PLANS. AT THE END OF THE DAY, WE HAD MORE
- 25 THAN 234,000 COMMENTS AND MORE THAN 23,000 PARTICIPANTS



- ENGAGED IN THE PROCESS. AND FROM THE START OF THE PROCESS, WE 1 EMPHASIZED HEARING FROM THOSE WHOSE VOICES HAVEN'T BEEN HEARD 2 3 ENOUGH IN TRADITIONAL PLANNING PROCESSES, WITH MORE THAN 60% OF EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES SERVING EQUITY PRIORITY COMMUNITIES 4 5 OR FOCUSED UNDERSERVED GROUPS. NEXT SLIDE. OUR PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT EFFORTS INCLUDED LISTENING AND LEARNING FROM THE 6 NEXT GENERATION. THE VERY PEOPLE WHO WE SEE AS THE FUTURE 7 8 LEADERS OF THE BAY AREA. AND RATHER THAN TELLING YOU WHAT THEY ARE EXCITED B WE'RE GOING TO GIVE THEM AN OPPORTUNITY TO 9
- 10 DO SO RIGHT NOW, BY VIDEO, THIS MORNING, THROUGH THE
- 11 HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SUMMER 2021 YOUTH VIDEO CHALLENGE. I'LL ASK
- 12 THE STAFF TO ROLL THE CLIP, PLEASE. [ VIDEO PLAYING ] [MUSIC]
- 14 SPEAKER: HI. MY NAME IS MENIM, AND I LIVE IN PLEASANTON,
- 15 CALIFORNIA. MY FAVORITE PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 STRATEGY IS
- 16 PROVIDING INCENTIVES TO EMPLOYERS TO SHIFT JOB LOCATIONS TO
- 17 HOUSING-RICH AREAS THAT ARE WELL SERVED BY TRANSIT. THE REASON
- 18 I REALLY LIKE THIS IS BECAUSE PEOPLE LIKE MY MOM, WHO HAVE
- 19 REALLY LONG COMMUTES TO WORK, AND THESE COMMUTES AREN'T SERVED
- 20 BY PUBLIC TRANSIT, USUALLY HAVE TO DRIVE VERY LONG HOURS, DAY
- 21 IN AND DAY OUT. SO THIS WOULD HELP, NOT ONLY REDUCE THE AMOUNT
- 22 OF CARS BEING USED, BUT, IT ALSO REDUCES STRESS OF LOTS OF
- 23 THESE WORKERS.

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SPEAKER: HEY, MY NAME IS YURIAL CARDOZA. I AM FROM PITTSBURG 1 HERE IN THE BAY AREA AND MY FAVORITE PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 2 3 STRATEGY IS MAINTAINING URBAN GROWTH BOUNDARIES. I THINK IT'S A SUPER IMPORTANT STRATEGY ESPECIALLY FOR INLAND CITIES LIKE 4 5 MINE WHERE THEIR IS A LOT OF OPEN PLOTS OF LAND BECAUSE IT WOULD ALLOW US TO PREVENT THE DECREASE OF BIO DIVERSITY WHICH 6 IS SUPER IMPORTANT AS WE CONTINUE TO DEVELOP THE BAY AREA. WE 7 8 NEED TO RECOGNIZE THE SPECIES AND WILDLIFE THAT SHARE OUR ENVIRONMENT WITH US. IT WILL ALSO ALLOW US TO MAINTAIN FOCUS 9 10 ON THE COMMUNITIES THAT ARE ALREADY BUILT, AND IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR BAY AREA RESIDENTS, THROUGH THAT FOCUS. 11 12 SPEAKER: HI. I'M KATHERINE, I'M FROM HERCULES CALIFORNIA. 13 AND THE STRATEGY I CARE ABOUT MOST IS KEEPING AFORETHOUGHT 14 15 HOUSING, BECAUSE SOME PEOPLE SLEEP ON THE FLOOR, BUT THEY DO 16 NOT HAVE TO SLEEP ON THE FLOOR IF THEY GET A HOUSE. THEY CAN SLEEP ON THE BED. 17 18 SPEAKER: OUT OF EVERYTHING PLANNED BAY AREA 2050, I AM MOST 19 EXCITED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A COMPLETE STREETS NETWORK. 20 21 WHEN COMPLETED, THIS NETWORK WILL HELP BAY AREA RESIDENTS BY 22 PROVIDING ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS AND IMPROVING OUALITY OF LIFE. A COMPLETE STREETS NETWORK WILL ALLOW FOR 23 IMPROVEMENT IN ROAD SAFETY, PROVIDE A MORE LIVABLE STREET 24

ENVIRONMENT, AND ALLOW FOR FASTER TRANSPORT. I HOPE THAT BY



2050, BAY AREA RESIDENTS WILL HAVE MORE TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS 1 2 AND WILL SEE STREETS AS A CONTRIBUTOR TO THE URBAN LANDSCAPE. 3 SPEAKER: HI. I'M DAVID, RESIDENT OF BURLINGAME. WHAT EXCITES 4 5 ME MOST ABOUT PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 IS REGIONAL RAIL NETWORK MODERNIZATION. [INDISCERNIBLE] HAPPENING NOW, BUT IN THE 6 FUTURE, WE WILL SEE A SECOND TRANSBAY TWO, PERHAPS, LINK 21, 7 8 OR VALLEY RAIL, WHICH ARE REALLY, REALLY EXCITING -- PROPOSALS TO TAKE CARS OFF THE ROAD AND INTO PERHAPS ELECTRIFIED -- AND 9 10 -- IMPORTANT FOR THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY WE'RE IN RIGHT NOW. 11 SPEAKER: HI. I'M HILLARY. AND I'M FROM HERCULES, CALIFORNIA. 12 ONE OF MY FAVORITE STRATEGIES ON THE PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 IS 13 EXPANDING RELIABILITY AND FREQUENCY OF BUSES, AND IN FACT, 14 15 THERE IS A BUS RIGHT THERE, AND ACROSS THE STREET, THERE IS A 16 BUS STOP. THIS WOULD REALLY HELP WITH HELPING PEOPLE TO GET TO WORK ON TIME AND SCHOOL ON TIME, AND I THINK THIS COULD ALSO 17 BE COMBINED WITH CONVERTING MORE OF THESE BUSES INTO CLEAN AIR 18 VEHICLES SO THAT THEY CAN REDUCE THE IMPACT OF POLLUTION. 19 20 DAVE VAUTIN: I WANT TO THANK ALL OF THE YOUTH WHO WORKED WITH 21 US OVER THE PAST FOUR YEARS. BECAUSE THEIR IDEAS AND 22 CREATIVITY HAVE JUST GIVEN US SO MUCH HOPE FOR THE REGION'S 23 FUTURE. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. PIVOTING TO THE PLAN BEFORE YOU 24

TODAY WE'RE GOING TO PROVIDE A QUICK REFRESHER ON THE FINAL



- 1 PLAN BEFORE TURNING TO THE MINOR UPDATES AND ENHANCEMENTS MADE
- 2 IN RESPONSE TO FEEDBACK FROM THIS SUMMER'S PUBLIC COMMENT
- 3 PERIOD. AS YOU WILL RECALL THE COMMISSION AND ABAG BOARD
- 4 ADOPTED THE PLAN VISION AND GUIDING PRINCIPLES SHOWN ON SCREEN
- 5 TO ENSURE THAT THE BAY AREA IS MORE AFFORDABLE, CONNECTED,
- 6 DIVERSE, HEALTHY, AND VIBRANT FOR ALL RESIDENTS BY THE YEAR
- 7 2050. AND THAT'S DRIVEN ALL OF OUR STRATEGY DEVELOPMENT OVER
- 8 THE COURSE OF THE PLANNING PROCESS. NESTED WITHIN EACH OF THE
- 9 FOUR ELEMENTS OF THE PLAN, TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING, THE
- 10 ECONOMY, AND THE ENVIRONMENT, FIT THOSE 11 THEMES AND 35
- 11 STRATEGIES THAT ARE AT THE CORE OF THE PLAN. THE
- 12 TRANSPORTATION ELEMENT FOCUSES ON MAINTAINING AND OPTIMIZING
- 13 THE EXISTING SYSTEM WHILE CREATING HEALTHY AND SAFE STREETS
- 14 FOR ALL ROADWAY USERS, AND BUILDING OUT THAT \$100 BILLION PLUS
- 15 NEXT GENERATION TRANSIT NETWORK. HOUSING ELEMENT FOCUSES ON
- 16 THOSE THREE PS OF HOUSING, PROTECTION, PRESERVATION, AND
- 17 PRODUCTION, STARTING FIRST WITH PROTECTION AND PRESERVING
- 18 EXISTING AFFORDABLE UNITS. THE PLAN ALSO INTEGRATED STRATEGIES
- 19 TO SPUR NEW HOUSING CONSTRUCTION AT EVERY INCOME LEVEL, WHILE
- 20 WORKING TO CREATE MORE INCLUSIVE COMMUNITIES. THE ECONOMY
- 21 ELEMENT OF THE PLAN HAS STRATEGIES THAT FOCUS ON IMPROVING
- 22 ECONOMIC MOBILITY, CREATING PATHWAYS TO THE MIDDLE CLASS, AND
- 23 SHIFTING THE LOCATION OF JOBS TO GET TOWARDS A BETTER
- 24 JOBS/HOUSING BALANCE WITHIN THE REGION. AND THE ENVIRONMENT
- 25 ELEMENT OF THE PLAN INCLUDES STRATEGIES TO REDUCE THE RISKS OF





- 1 HAZARDS, LIKE EARTHOUAKES, AND SEA LEVEL RISE. EXPAND ACCESS
- 2 TO PARKS, RECREATION FACILITIES, AND OPEN SPACE, AND REDUCE
- 3 CLIMATE EMISSIONS THROUGH ELECTRIFICATION AND DEMAND
- 4 MANAGEMENT. COMBINED, THESE STRATEGIES HELP TO ACCOMMODATE AN
- 5 ESTIMATED 1.4 MILLION NEW HOUSEHOLDS AND 1.4 MILLION NEW JOBS
- 6 THROUGH 2050. A CRITICAL REQUIREMENT ESTABLISHED IN SB 375.
- 7 NEXT SLIDE. TRANSFORMING OUR REGION TO ALIGN WITH THE GUIDING
- 8 PRINCIPLES WILL REQUIRE \$1.4 TRILLION OVER THE NEXT 30 YEARS.
- 9 WHILE MOST TRANSPORTATION MONEYS ARE EXISTING, WITH THE
- 10 REMAINDER REASONABLY ANTICIPATED FROM NEW TOLLS, PARKING
- 11 REVENUE, AND OTHER SOURCES, THERE ARE NOTABLE FUNDING GAPS IN
- 12 THE HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND ENVIRONMENTAL SPACES
- 13 THAT WOULD NEED TO BE FILLED WITH NEW MONEYS TO REALIZE THE
- 14 PLAN'S VISION. THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT NEW REVENUES ARE ALREADY
- 15 FLOWING FROM DC, AND SACRAMENTO THAT CAN START FILLING THESE
- 16 FINANCIAL GAPS WITH POTENTIALLY MORE ON THE WAY. BUT WE
- 17 RECOGNIZE THAT REGIONAL AND LOCAL ACTION TO GENERATE NEW
- 18 REVENUES WILL LIKELY BE NECESSARY AT SOME POINT IN THE NEXT
- 19 DECADE TO TACKLE THE BIG CHALLENGES THE REGION FACES. NEXT
- 20 SLIDE. AND WHILE WE ACKNOWLEDGE, WE CANNOT PREDICT THE
- 21 FUTURE. WE CAN ESTIMATE HOW THESE STRATEGIES AT THE CORE OF
- 22 THE PLAN WOULD INFLUENCE THE REGION'S TRAJECTORY. IF
- 23 IMPLEMENTED, THE STRATEGIES IN THE PLAN WOULD SIGNIFICANTLY
- 24 IMPROVE AFFORDABILITY FOR ALL BAY AREA RESIDENTS. IN 2015,
- 25 THE AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD SPENT ABOUT 58% OF THEIR ANNUAL INCOME



- 1 ON HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION, WHICH IS WELL ABOVE THE
- 2 NATIONAL AVERAGE. THE STRATEGIES IN THE PLAN WOULD BRING THAT
- 3 SHARE DOWN BY 13 PERCENTAGE POINTS TO 45% OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME
- 4 BY 2050, AND WE WOULD SEE EVEN GREATER REDUCTIONS FOR LOW-
- 5 INCOME HOUSEHOLDS. THE PLAN WOULD ALSO MAKE THE BAY AREA MUCH
- 6 MORE CONNECTED BY ALL MODES OF TRANSPORTATION, WITH ITS MORE
- 7 FREQUENT AND MORE SEAMLESS TRANSIT NETWORK CONNECTING
- 8 COMMUNITIES, THOUSANDS OF MILES OF NEW BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN
- 9 PATHS, AND FOUR OUT OF FIVE NEW HOMES WITHIN A SHORT WALK OF
- 10 FREQUENT TRANSIT. THIS WOULD ENABLE US TO SHIFT 20% OF WORKERS
- 11 AWAY FROM AUTO COMMUTING. THE PLAN ALSO PROVIDES MORE
- 12 AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN HISTORICALLY EXCLUSIONARY JURISDICTIONS,
- 13 AND CREATES MORE HOUSING CHOICES FOR HOUSEHOLDS WITH LOW-
- 14 INCOMES, ENABLING MORE DIVERSE AND INCLUSIVE COMMUNITIES. AND
- 15 FAMILIES WITH LOW-INCOMES, MANY OF WHOM WHO HAVE BEEN
- 16 DISPLACED TO THE REGION'S PER REFINERY WOULD HAVE MORE
- 17 OPPORTUNITY TO RELOCATE TO AREAS WITH RICH TRANSIT AND WITH
- 18 THE REGION'S BEST SCHOOLS, PARKS, AND OTHER INFRASTRUCTURE.
- 19 THE PLAN ALSO MEETS THE STATE-MANDATED GREENHOUSE GAS
- 20 REDUCTION TARGET WHILE CONCURRENTLY PROTECTING NEARLY ALL
- 21 HOMES FROM SEA LEVEL RISE IMPACTS THROUGH 2050. AND THE PLAN
- 22 LOOKS TO MAKE THE BAY AREA MORE VIBRANT BY IMPROVING THE
- 23 JOBS/HOUSING BALANCE IN COUNTIES THROUGHOUT THE BAY AREA. IT
- 24 WORKS TO BRING MORE JOBS TO HOUSING-RICH COMMUNITIES IN THE
- 25 NORTH AND EAST BAY, AND MORE HOMES TO JOB RICH COMMUNITIES IN



- 1 THE WEST AND SOUTH BAY, YIELDING SHORTER COMMUTES FOR ALL
- 2 WORKERS. NEXT SLIDE. SO, AS YOU MAY HAVE NOTICED FROM THE
- 3 OVERVIEW OF THE STRATEGIES, FUNDING, AND OUTCOMES, THE CORE OF
- 4 FINAL PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 REMAINS THE SAME AS DRAFT PLANNED
- 5 BAY AREA 2050, WHICH WE SHARED IN JUNE. BUT THERE ARE SOME
- 6 MINOR UPDATES THAT REFINE PERFORMANCE OUTCOMES, AS WELL AS
- 7 RESPONSES AND REVISIONS TO THE FINAL PLAN, INFORMED BY PUBLIC
- 8 COMMENTS THAT WE PASSED ALONG IN AUGUST 2021, AND HELD A
- 9 WEBINAR AT THAT TIME. WE HAVE ALSO INCLUDED THAT MATERIAL IN
- 10 TODAY'S PACKET FOR YOUR REFERENCE. I'LL NOW DISCUSS EACH
- 11 ASPECT OF THE PLAN AND DESCRIBE THESE TARGETED UPDATES BETWEEN
- 12 DRAFT AND FINAL. NEXT SLIDE. SO, FIRST, TRANSPORTATION
- 13 PERFORMANCE OUTCOMES AND FUNDING LEVELS, SUCH AS THE SHARE OF
- 14 TRIPS TAKEN BY VARIOUS MODES OF TRANSPORT HAS SOME SLIGHT
- 15 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE DRAFT AND FINAL PLAN. THIS IS DRIVEN
- 16 BY THREE UPDATES. SO, FIRST, MINOR TWEAKS OF THE STRATEGY
- 17 FUNDING LEVELS, AS WELL AS THE PRECISE CATEGORIZATION OF
- 18 SPECIFIC TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS NESTED WITHIN THEM, WERE
- 19 MADE. MOST NOTABLE IS STRATEGY EN EIGHT WHICH FOCUSING ON
- 20 ELECTRIC VEHICLE INFRASTRUCTURE AND SUBSIDIES. IN THIS CASE,
- 21 THE CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD REQUIRED MTC AND ABAG TO
- 22 GIVE THE STATE MORE CREDIT FOR A PORTION OF GREENHOUSE GAS
- 23 EMISSIONS REDUCTIONS COMING FROM REGIONAL INVESTMENT IN
- 24 ELECTRIFICATION. IN RESPONSE, MTC/ABAG STAFF SHIFTED MORE
- 25 FUNDING FROM SOME PROGRAMMATIC CATEGORIES TOWARDS THE STRATEGY



- 1 TO OFFSET ANY POTENTIAL LOSSES FROM THIS STATE REQUEST. THIS
- 2 ENABLED THE STRATEGY'S POSITIVE IMPACTS ON GHG TO REMAIN
- 3 CONSTANT BETWEEN DRAFT AND FINAL. SECOND, STAFF CORRECTED A
- 4 TECHNICAL ISSUE IN TRAVEL DEMAND MODELING THAT ASSUMED AN
- 5 INCREASE IN VACATION, SICK, AND PERSONAL DAYS TAKEN BY WORKERS
- 6 THROUGH 2050. SINCE THERE IS NO STRATEGY IN THE PLAN TO
- 7 MANDATE GREATER PAID TIME OFF PER WORKERS, THE FINAL PLAN
- 8 MODELING MORE CONSERVATIVELY ASSUMES THIS EXOGENIC -- TODAY
- 9 FROM 2050. THE RESULT, FEWER BAY AREA RESIDENTS ARE ABLE TO
- 10 TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THAT EXTRA VACATION TIME TO JET OFF TO
- 11 DESTINATIONS LIKE HAWAII AND GENERATE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS
- 12 IN THOSE LOCATIONS OUTSIDE OF THE BAY AREA, THEY, INSTEAD,
- 13 CONTRIBUTE TO MORE EMISSIONS INSIDE THE BAY AREA, THROUGH
- 14 COMMUTE AND NON-COMMUTE TRIPS ON DAYS THAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE
- 15 TAKEN OFF AND SPENT OUTSIDE THE REGION. THE NET IMPACT OF 1
- 16 TO 2 GREENHOUSE GAS PERCENTAGE POINTS AFFECTS ALL ALTERNATIVES
- 17 ACROSS THE BOARD FROM THE NO PROJECT AND PROPOSED PLAN TO
- 18 ALTERNATIVE 1 AND 2. THIRD, STAFF FIXED SOME CODING ERRORS
- 19 FOR A FEW TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS BOTH BASED ON EXTERNAL
- 20 FEEDBACK FROM TRANSPORTATION PARTNERS AND A FINAL ROUND OF
- 21 QUALITY CONTROL. NOTE THAT ALL OF THESE UPDATES WERE RELATED
- 22 TO THE TRANSPORTATION MODELING. AND THIS IS IMPORTANT, AS NO
- 23 CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE TO THE HOUSING OR ECONOMIC STRATEGIES.
- 24 AND THE LAND USE PATTERN REMAINS EXACTLY THE SAME AS IN
- 25 JANUARY 2021, WHICH FORMS THE BASELINE OF THE ONGOING RHNA



- 1 PROCESS. NEXT SLIDE. THESE MINOR UPDATES WERE FOLDED INTO
- 2 THE FINAL EIR, CLARIFYING AND AMPLIFYING THE ANALYSIS IN THE
- 3 DRAFT RELEASED IN EARLY JUNE, AND PRESENTED TO THE COMMITTEE
- 4 AT THAT TIME. BEYOND THAT, THE FINAL EIR FOCUSES ON
- 5 RESPONDING TO APPROXIMATELY 150 EIR RELATED COMMENTS RECEIVED
- 6 DURING THE COMMENT PERIOD IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH CEQA
- 7 REQUIREMENTS. NOTABLY, MANY OF THE COMMENTS WERE RELATED TO
- 8 EIGHT ISSUE AREAS, WHICH, FOR CONSISTENCY AND CLARITY, WERE
- 9 RESPONDED TO VIA WHAT ARE KNOWN AS "MASTER RESPONSES" THESE
- 10 INCLUDE TOPICS SUCH AS THE REGIONAL GROWTH FORECAST, COVID-19
- 11 PANDEMIC, WATER SUPPLY, AND EIR ALTERNATIVES, SEA LEVEL RISE,
- 12 REGIONAL ROLES AND AUTHORITY, FISCALLY CONSTRAINED
- 13 TRANSPORTATION PROJECT LIST, AND THE TRAVEL MODEL REFINEMENTS
- 14 I JUST MENTIONED. NEXT SLIDE. THERE ARE THREE MAIN THINGS YOU
- 15 NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE FINAL EIR. THE FINAL EIR, WHICH, DUE
- 16 TO ITS FILE SIZE, COULD NOT BE INCLUDED IN TODAY'S PACKET, IS
- 17 AVAILABLE ON PLANNEDBAYAREA.ORG/EIR, AND A LINK IS AVAILABLE
- 18 IN THE STAFF'S MEMO IN THE PACKET. SO, FIRST, NO NEW
- 19 SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION WAS ADDED TO THE DRAFT EIR, IN THE
- 20 FINAL, THAT WOULD WARRANT RECIRCULATION. ALL OF THE
- 21 REVISIONS, REFINEMENTS, IS RESPONSES TO COMMENTS SERVE TO
- 22 CLARIFY AND AMPLIFY PAST ANALYSIS. SECOND, THE FINAL EIR DID
- 23 NOT IDENTIFY ANY NEW SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS
- 24 COMPARED TO THE DRAFT EIR. FURTHERMORE, THE FINAL EIR DID NOT
- 25 IDENTIFY ANY SUBSTANTIAL INCREASES IN THE SEVERITY OF ANY



- 1 SIGNIFICANT IMPACT. PLEASE NOTE THAT EIR ALTERNATIVE ONE
- 2 REMAINS THE ENVIRONMENTALLY SUPERIOR ALTERNATIVE BETWEEN DRAFT
- 3 AND FINAL. THIRD, THE FINAL EIR DOES NOT MAKE A
- 4 RECOMMENDATION ON WHICH ALTERNATIVE TO ADVANCE. THE DRAFT
- 5 COMMITTEE'S DIRECTION WILL SHAPE THE CEQA FINDINGS AND
- 6 STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS FOR YOUR OCTOBER 21ST
- 7 MEETING. NEXT SLIDE. SO, GIVEN THESE TAKE-AWAY'S AND THE
- 8 COMPLETION OF THE PUBLIC REVIEW PROCESS THIS SUMMER, STAFF
- 9 RECOMMENDS THAT THE COMMISSION BOARD CERTIFY THE FINAL EIR.
- 10 FURTHERMORE, STAFF IS RECOMMENDING THE JOINT PLANNING ADMIN
- 11 COMMITTEE RECOMMEND ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED PLAN AS THE FINAL
- 12 PLAN FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS, WHICH WOULD THEN WEAVE INTO
- 13 THE CEQA FINDINGS NEXT WEEK. THOSE CEQA FINDINGS WILL INCLUDE
- 14 THAT STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATION TO IDENTIFY LEGAL,
- 15 SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, AND OTHER FACTORS TO SUPPORT APPROVAL OF THE
- 16 PROPOSED PLAN, GIVEN THAT THE DRAFT EIR IDENTIFIES SIGNIFICANT
- 17 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS. FOUR KEY REASONS FOR THIS
- 18 RECOMMENDATION ARE SHOWN ON SCREEN. FIRST OF ALL, THE
- 19 PROPOSED PLAN REFLECTS MUCH GREATER PUBLIC AND STAKEHOLDER
- 20 INPUT THAN THE OTHER EIR ALTERNATIVE. THE STRATEGIES DRIVING
- 21 THE PROPOSED PLAN WERE JUST RATED, ITERATED, REVIEWED BY THE
- 22 PUBLIC AND STAKEHOLDERS, AND REVISED FROM FUTURES TO DRAFT
- 23 BLUEPRINT TO FINAL BLUEPRINT. THE STRATEGIES IN THE EIR
- 24 ALTERNATIVES WHILE RESPONSIVE TO COMMENTS HEARD DURING
- 25 SCOPING, SOMETIMES CONFLICTED WITH PUBLIC AND STAKEHOLDER



- 1 INPUT RECEIVED EARLIER IN THE PLANNING PROCESS. TWO EXAMPLES
- 2 INCLUDE THE DEFERMENT OF ALL FREEWAY EXPANSION PROJECTS AND
- 3 EIR ALTERNATIVE ONE, WHICH IS INCONSISTENT WITH PROJECT
- 4 PRIORITIES AND COUNTY VOTER APPROVED SALES TAX MEASURES, AS
- 5 WELL AS THE INCLUSION OF AN OFFICE DEVELOPMENT CAP STRATEGY
- 6 ACROSS SILICON VALLEY IN EIR ALTERNATIVE TWO, WHICH DOESN'T
- 7 ALIGN WITH COMMISSION BOARD DIRECTION ON THE ECONOMIC
- 8 STRATEGIES PROVIDED THROUGHOUT 2020 DUE TO ITS RELIANCE ON A
- 9 STICK-BASED-APPROACH AS OPPOSED IT A CARROT BASED APPROACH.
- 10 SECONDLY STRATEGIES INTRODUCED DURING SCOPING WENT THROUGH
- 11 LESS STRESS TESTING DURING THEIR HORIZON IN THE BLUEPRINT
- 12 PHASES, IN CONTRAST TO THE 35 TRAGEDIES THAT WERE CONTINUALLY
- 13 HONED AND REFINED TO MAXIMIZE THEIR EFFICACY. THIRD, THE
- 14 PROPOSED PLAN ADVANCES ALL FIVE GUIDING PRINCIPLES APPROVED AT
- 15 THE START OF THE PROCESS WHILE MEETING ALL FEDERAL AND STATE
- 16 REQUIREMENTS. NOTABLY, THE NO-PROJECT ALTERNATIVE FAILS TO
- 17 MEET MOST OF THESE PROJECT OBJECTIVES, AS WELL AS EIR
- 18 ALTERNATIVE TWO, WHICH DOES NOT ADVANCE THE VIBRANT GUIDING
- 19 PRINCIPLE THROUGH ITS EXACERBATION OF JOBS/HOUSING IMBALANCES
- 20 BETWEEN SAN FRANCISCO AND ITS NEIGHBORS. FINALLY THE PROPOSED
- 21 PLAN IS IN BEST POSITION TO ADVANCE IMPLEMENTATION DUE TO BUY-
- 22 IN STRATEGIES AND THE EXPANSIVE IMPLEMENTATION PROCESS. THE
- 23 DEFINED ACTIONS READY TO GO FOR EACH OF THE STRATEGIES MTC AND
- 24 ABAG WILL BE ABLE TO HIT THE GROUND RUNNING IN 2022. OF THE IN
- 25 CONCLUSION, WE ASK THAT THE JOINT COMMITTEE RECOMMEND THE



- 1 PROPOSED PLAN FOR ADVANCEMENT AS THE FINE PLAN, AND STAFF WILL
- 2 BRING FORWARD FINDINGS TO THAT EFFECT LATER THIS MONTH AT THE
- 3 COMMISSION BOARD. NEXT SLIDE. QUICKLY PIVOTING TO THE FINAL
- 4 PLAN DOCUMENT AND THE VARIOUS SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS THAT
- 5 UNDERGIRD IT, THIS COMPONENT OF FINAL PLANNED BAY AREA 2050
- 6 SAW FOCUSED IMPROVEMENTS BETWEEN DRAFT AND FINAL DESIGNED TO
- 7 CLARIFY THE PLAN AND RESPOND TO COMMENTS RECEIVED. THE FINAL
- 8 PLAN DOCUMENT WAS INCLUDED IN YOUR PACKET, AND ALL
- 9 SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS ARE AVAILABLE ON PLANNEDBAYAREA.ORG. NEW
- 10 SIDE BARS ON CRITICAL ISSUES, LIKE THE BLUE RIBBON TRANSIT
- 11 RECOVERY TASK FORCE'S WORK, THIS SUMMER, WERE ADDED. AS WELL
- 12 AS ADDITIONAL CONTEXT ON HOW COVID-19 WAS INTEGRATED INTO THE
- 13 PLAN IN 2020 AND 2021. NEW MAPS AND IMPROVED MAPS WERE ADDED
- 14 ON IMPORTANT ISSUES LIKE PARKS, RECREATION, AND CONSERVATION,
- 15 AS WELL AS A MORE COMPREHENSIVE LOOK AT THE EXPRESS BUSES
- 16 FUNDED UNDER STRATEGY T12. AND ADDITIONAL CLARITY WAS ADDED TO
- 17 KEY ISSUES IN THE PLAN DOCUMENT, SUCH AS GREATER REFLECTION ON
- 18 THE NEEDS OF ELDER AND DISABLED PERSONS IN EACH OF THE PLAN
- 19 ELEMENT CHAPTERS. NEXT SLIDE. FINALLY, LET'S TURN TO THE
- 20 FINAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AND MORE BROADLY HOW MTC AND ABAG
- 21 CAN PIVOT FROM THIS FOUR-YEAR EFFORT TO CRAFT A LONG RANGE
- 22 PLAN TO THE EQUALLY IMPORTANT, IF NOT MORE IMPORTANT EFFORTS
- 23 TO IMPLEMENT IT. NEXT SLIDE. STAFF ARRIVED AT A PREVIEW OF
- 24 THE FINAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN IN EARLY SEPTEMBER AND PRESENTED
- 25 TO THIS COMMITTEE. IT'S NOW BEEN WOVEN INTO THE FINAL CHAPTER



- 1 OF THE FINAL PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 DOCUMENT. SINCE THE
- 2 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN WAS A MORE FOCUSED EFFORT, DEVELOPED OVER
- 3 THE PAST YEAR, WITH THE PARTNERSHIP PHASE HAPPENING THIS
- 4 SUMMER, SIZABLE REVISIONS TO INTEGRATE STAGE HOLDER AND PUBLIC
- 5 FEEDBACK HAVE BEEN MADE BETWEEN THE DRAFT AND FINAL IN
- 6 CONTRAST TO MOST OTHER ASPECTS OF PLANNED BAY AREA 2050. THE
- 7 80 PLUS ACTIONS IN THE FINAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN PROVIDE MORE
- 8 SPECIFICITY ON HOW MTC AND ABAG WILL PLAY A ROLE IN THE NEAR-
- 9 TERM, INCLUDING GENERAL TIME FRAMES AND WHETHER A LEAD PARTNER
- 10 OR SUPPORT ROLE IS MOST APPROPRIATE. AND THE FINAL
- 11 IMPLEMENTATION PLAN ACKNOWLEDGES MANY OF THE POTENTIAL
- 12 PARTNERS THAT WILL BE ESSENTIAL IN REALIZING THE PLAN'S WIDE
- 13 RANGING VISION, WITH EXPANDED REFLECTIONS ON THE IMPORTANT
- 14 ROLE THAT LABOR ORGANIZATIONS CAN PLAY. WHILE WE DON'T HAVE
- 15 TIME TODAY TO RUN THROUGH ALL 80 PLUS ACTIONS, WE WANTED TO
- 16 GIVE YOU A FLAVOR OF WHAT'S NEXT, SPECIFICALLY, IN 2022, WHEN
- 17 IT COMES TO IMPLEMENTING EACH ELEMENT OF THE PLAN. NEXT
- 18 SLIDE. STARTING WITH HOUSING, THERE IS LOTS GOING ON IN THE
- 19 REGIONAL HOUSING SPACE, AS WE WORK TO ASSIST LOCAL
- 20 JURISDICTIONS WITH THE IMPORTANT WORK OF UPDATING THEIR
- 21 HOUSING ELEMENTS. SO, GOING INTO 2022, ADVANCING THE EXPANDED
- 22 REGIONAL HOUSING PORTFOLIO WILL ENABLE MTC AND ABAG TO MAKE
- 23 PROGRESS ON CRITICAL EFFORTS, LIKE A REGIONAL HOMELESSNESS
- 24 PREVENTION SYSTEM, THE DOORWAY OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING PLATFORM,
- 25 AND MORE. AND WE ANTICIPATE THE TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT



- 1 POLICY UPDATE WILL YIELD ENHANCED GUIDANCE FOR LOCAL
- 2 JURISDICTIONS ON CRITICAL LAND USE AND TRANSIT CONNECTIONS
- 3 NEXT YEAR. NEXT SLIDE. 2022 WILL ALSO PRESENT OPPORTUNITIES
- 4 FOR MTC AND ABAG TO WORK WITH PARTNERS TO ACCELERATE THE
- 5 REGION'S ECONOMIC RECOVERY. WITH NEW FUNDING PROGRAMS LIKE
- 6 OBAG THREE AND REAP 2.0 BEING CRAFTED THERE MAY BE
- 7 OPPORTUNITIES TO FUND WORK RELATED TO THE PILOT PRIORITY
- 8 PRODUCTION AREA PROGRAM AND THERE WILL BE A POSTPONED TO
- 9 UPDATE THE AGENCY'S ADVOCACY PLATFORM TO REFLECT ANY MAJORITY
- 10 EMERGING ECONOMIC PRIORITIES. NEXT SLIDE. IN THE
- 11 TRANSPORTATION SPACE, 2022, WILL BE A PRIME OPPORTUNITY TO
- 12 POSITION BAY AREA TRANSIT FOR SUCCESS IN THE YEARS AHEAD. BLUE
- 13 RIBBON IMPLEMENTATION FURTHER PROGRESS ON THE MAJOR PROJECTS
- 14 ADVANCEMENT POLICY, AND COMPLETION OF THE FARE COORDINATION
- 15 STUDY WILL ALL PLAY A ROLE HERE. AND THE NEXT GENERATION
- 16 FREEWAY STUDY WILL ALSO KICKOFF WITH DEEP COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
- 17 TO FURTHER EXPLORE HOW TO TRANSFORM THE REGION'S AGING 20TH
- 18 INDUSTRY FREEWAY NETWORK WITH PRICING AS A KEY PIECE OF THE
- 19 PUZZLE. NEXT SLIDE. LAST BUT NOT LEAST, THE IMPLEMENTATION
- 20 ACTIONS IN THE ENVIRONMENT ELEMENT WILL BE FAST TRACKED IN
- 21 2022 AND BEYOND. THIS INCLUDES THE SEA LEVEL RISE FUNDING AND
- 22 INVESTMENT STRATEGY, WHICH WAS SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFIED AS A
- 23 PRIORITY IN PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 AND IN BCDC'S BAY ADAPT
- 24 EFFORT. THIS WORK WILL KICKOFF AND HELP US FURTHER REFINE
- 25 SHORELINE SOLUTIONS ENVISIONED IN THE PLAN, WHILE ALSO



- 1 EXPLORING WHAT FUNDING SOURCES WOULD BEST POSITION LOCAL
- 2 JURISDICTIONS AND THE REGION FOR SUCCESS IN THIS SPACE. MTC
- 3 AND ABAG WILL ALSO CONTINUE WORKING WITH OUR AIR DISTRICT
- 4 PARTNERS TO ACCELERATE IMPLEMENTATION OF CRITICAL CLIMATE
- 5 STRATEGIES FROM SUSTAINABLE COMMUTE TARGETS TO INCREASED
- 6 ELECTRIC VEHICLE SUBSIDIES AND MARKETING THAT ARE ABSOLUTELY
- 7 ESSENTIAL TO MEET THE GREENHOUSE GAS TARGETS SET BY THE STATE.
- 8 NEXT SLIDE. ALL OF THESE INITIATIVES AND MANY MORE WILL HELP
- 9 BRING THE LONG RANGE PLAN TO LIFE. THOUSANDS OF RESIDENTS
- 10 HAVE CHIMED IN DURING THE CREATION OF PLANNED BAY AREA 2050,
- 11 AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO ENGAGING THEM, DEEPLY, AS WE MOVE INTO
- 12 IMPLEMENTATION, AS WELL. THROUGH DELIBERATE AND SUSTAINED
- 13 PARTNERSHIP, WE BELIEVE MTC AND ABAG CAN MAKE MEANINGFUL
- 14 PROGRESS TOWARD THE BOLD 30-YEAR STRATEGIES LAID OUT IN THE
- 15 REGIONAL PLAN IN THE MONTHS AND YEARS AHEAD. NEXT SLIDE.
- 16 MOVING FORWARD, WE CAN MAKE THIS TRANSITION, PLANNED BAY AREA
- 17 2050 MUST BE ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSION AND THE ABAG EXECUTIVE
- 18 BOARD. AND WE'RE ASKING, TODAY, THAT THE JOINT COMMITTEE MAKE
- 19 THAT RECOMMENDATION TO THE JOINT MEETING TO BE HELD ON OCTOBER
- 20 21ST. AS YOU WILL SEE ON THIS SLIDE, THERE ARE SIX
- 21 RESOLUTIONS THAT COMPRISE THE ACTION BEFORE YOU. FIRST IS THE
- 22 AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY ANALYSIS UNDER MTC RESOLUTION 4482,
- 23 SECOND IS THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT UNDER MTC
- 24 RESOLUTION 4484, AND OBAG RESOLUTION 0821. THIRD IS THE FINAL
- 25 PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 ITSELF UNDER MTC RESOLUTION UNDER 4485,



- 1 AND ABAG RESOLUTION [INDISCERNIBLE] 21, AND LASTLY, IS THE
- 2 2021 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, MTC RESOLUTION 4475,
- 3 WHICH WOULD SYNC UP THE NEAR-TERM TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT
- 4 PROGRAM WITH PLANNED BAY AREA 2050'S TRANSPORTATION ELEMENT.
- 5 WITH THAT, I WANT TO THANK ALL OF THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR
- 6 YOUR CONTINUED ENGAGEMENT ON THIS PROJECT OVER THE PAST FOUR
- 7 YEARS, AND WE'RE HAPPY TO TAKE ANY QUESTIONS YOU MIGHT HAVE AT
- 8 THIS TIME.

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- 10 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: OKAY DAVID. HOPEFULLY AFTER
- 11 TODAY'S MEETING YOU WILL BE ABLE TO TAKE A DEEP BREATH AND
- 12 KIND OF RELAX. PRESIDENT ARREGUIN, WITH YOUR PERMISSION, WHAT
- 13 I WOULD LIKE TO DO IS TAKE PUBLIC TESTIMONY FIRST THEN BRING
- 14 IT BACK FOR COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND ACTION?

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16 JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: THAT'S FINE.

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18 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: MARTHA DO YOU HAVE PUBLIC SPEAKS?

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20 CLERK OF THE BOARD: YES.

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22 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: LET'S GIVE THEM TWO MINUTES EACH.

- 24 **CLERK OF THE BOARD:** CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM SHERMAN
- 25 LEWIS, HELEN MURPHY E CITY OF AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO,



CITIZEN'S COALITION AND THEY HAVE BEEN POSTED ONLINE AND 1 2 DISTRIBUTED TO ALL COMMISSIONERS OF THE ABAG ADMINISTRATIVE 3 COMMITTEE AND MTC PLANNING COMMITTEE. FIRST UP IS FRANK 4 5 SPEAKER: I'M REPRESENTING BUILDING TRADES AND CONSTRUCTION TRADES, WE'RE PLEASED TO SAY THAT WE'RE SUPPORTIVE OF THE PLAN 6 AND VERY HAPPY TO SEE THE EXCEPTIONAL WORK THAT STAFF HAS 7 8 INCORPORATING OUR CONCERNS INTO THE PLAN. WE HAD SEEN THE ORIGINAL DRAFT AND STAFF HAS WORKED DILIGENTLY WITH US AND WE 9 10 ARE VERY PLEASED WITH THE COOPERATION AND SUPPORT THAT WE GOT FROM THE COMMISSIONERS HELPING TO RECTIFY THIS ISSUE AND WE'RE 11 VERY PLEASED WITH THE FINAL RESULT. WE'RE IN A POSITION I 12 THINK A LOT OF PEOPLE ARE. OUR ALLIES IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL 13 COMMUNITY AND HOUSING ADVOCATES, THERE ARE A LOT OF PEOPLE WHO 14 15 ARE OUITE PLEASED WITH THE PROGRESS THE PLAN HAS MADE AND ARE 16 GETTING READY TO CHEER ON OCTOBER 21ST. SO WE RECOMMEND THAT YOU FORWARD THIS RECOMMENDATION TO THE ABAG AND MTC BOARDS FOR 17 THEIR FINAL APPROVAL. SO, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. 18 19 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: THANK YOU. 20 21 22 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU. NEXT UP IS HOLLY LOFTGREN, FOLLOWED BY GREG. AND THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE REMINDED 23 TO PRESS STAR NINE OR USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE TO SPEAK ON 24

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THIS ITEM HOLLY?



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October 8, 2021

SPEAKER: I'M SPEAKING TO YOU THIS MORNING TO OPPOSE THE PLAN 2 3 2050 PLAN MTC/ABAG WAS IRRESPONSIBLE CAPRICIOUS NON-TRANSPARENT AND INEPT IN THEIR DATA ANALYSIS THE LETTER 4 5 PROVIDES BASIS FOR COMMENTS. FAILURE TO PUBLISH MODELS FOR HOUSING JOBS CALCULATIONS WAS NOT TRANSPARENT THE USE OF 2012 6 7 CENSUS DATA AND NOT 2020 CENSUS DATA WAS IRRESPONSIBLE, 8 CALCULATIONS INCLUDES DOUBLE COUNTING PRESIDENT BIDEN HIS ESTIMATED 3.8 MILLION HOMES HOW CAN CALIFORNIA SEE 3.5 9 MILLION? IS PLANNED BAY AREA WRONG OR IS BIDEN? THE 10 REQUIREMENT TO HOLD PUBLIC MEETINGS AND ACCEPT PUBLIC COMMENT 11 SOCIAL MEDIA ARE INAPPROPRIATE SUBSTITUTIONS SEATING 12

- 13 DISCUSSIONS WITH SPECIFIC DEMOGRAPHIC GROUPS ESPECIALLY
- 14 CHILDREN IS UNDEMOCRATIC AND INAPPROPRIATE THESE ARE CAMPAIGN
- 15 STRATEGIES NOT OBJECTIVE GOVERNMENTAL REPORTS AND SURVEYS IT
- 16 IS NOT THE INTENT OF LAWS REQUIRING PUBLIC MEETINGS AND FLIES
- 17 IN THE FACE OF FAIR AND REASONABLE GOVERNANCE SO I OPPOSE PLAN
- 18 2050. THANK YOU.

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20 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: THANK YOU.

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- 22 CLERK OF THE BOARD: GREG, WHENEVER YOU ARE READY. FOLLOWED BY
- 23 RICH. GREG, YOU HAVE TO UNMUTE YOURSELF. STAR SIGN. OKAY.
- 24 THERE YOU GO. YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES, GREG.



- SPEAKER: THANK YOU. MTC ABAG'S PLANNED BAY AREA HAS FAILED TO 1 FOLLOW CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODES USED A METHODOLOGY THAT HAS 2 3 FAVORED THE INTEREST OF A FEW NON-ELECTED DECISION MAKING BODIES RATHER THAN ENGAGE IN FULL PUBLIC DISCUSSION. FOUR KEY 4 5 PLAYERS, MTC, ABAG, HCD, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE HAVE DOMINATED THE IN-HOUSE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE THAT HAS MADE ALL 6 OF THE CRITICAL DECISIONS IN PLANNED BAY AREA 2050. 7 8 THIS TECHNICAL COMMITTEE THAT PROVIDED ALL THE DETAILED RECOMMENDATIONS THAT ARE BEFORE YOU NOW. THE COMMITTEE'S 9 10 DECISION RELIED ON TWO INTERNAL MODELS, REMI AND URBAN SIM 2.0, THAT HAD SHOWN SERIOUS ERRORS IN FORECASTING PREVIOUS 11 RHNA CYCLES. IN THE FIRST MONTH, FOLLOWING THE APPROVAL OF 12 METHODOLOGY IN SEPTEMBER 2019, THIS TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MADE 13 TWO CRITICAL DECISIONS. SET A PRIORITY FOCUS OF JOBS AND 14 HOUSING GROWTH IN ALREADY JOBS RICH AREAS, AND EXCLUDED PUBLIC 15 16 DISCUSSION OF ALTERNATE MEANS OF REDUCING THE IMPACT OF JOBS IN ALREADY JOBS RICH AREAS. THE DECISION PROCESS HAS EXCLUDED 17 REQUIRED PUBLIC DISCUSSIONS FROM THE VERY START ON CRITICAL 18 ISSUES. DISCUSSION OF JOBS CAPS IN JOB RICH AREAS, EXCLUDING 19 LONGER TERM IMPACT OF REMOTE WORKING BY COVID, PRICES, THE 20 21 OUTRAGEOUS COST OF NEEDED OUTLAYS THAT FALL IN LOCAL --22 [INDISCERNIBLE]
- 23
- 24 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU GREG. NEXT UP IS RICH, FOLLOWED
- 25 BY BARRY. RICH, GO AHEAD AND UNMUTE YOURSELF.



1 SPEAKER: MARTHA THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I'M GOING TO CHANGE TONE 2 3 HERE A LITTLE BIT. I'M VERY POSITIVE ABOUT PLANNED BAY AREA 2050. I ATTENDED AN ESTIMATE OF ABOUT 100 MEETINGS IN PART OR 4 5 IN WHOLE WITH PLANNED BAY AREA. I HAVE BEEN -- I HAVE MADE PROBABLY SOMEWHERE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF 40 COMMENTS 6 REGARDING PLANNED BAY AREA. MY COMMENTS HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED, 7 8 AND SOMETIMES ACTED UPON. I AM VERY POSITIVE ABOUT THIS PROCESS AND THE STAFF THAT HAS BROUGHT PLAN 2050 FORWARD, AND 9 I URGE THIS COMMITTEE AND THE MTC, AS A WHOLE, TO IMPLEMENT 10 PLANNED BAY AREA 2050. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. 11 12 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU, RICH. NEXT UP IS BAR E 13 FOLLOWED BY ELIZABETH. GO AHEAD AND UNMUTE YOURSELF. 14 15 16 SPEAKER: YES, THANK YOU FOR THE PRESENTATION. THAT WAS REALLY DONE VERY WELL. I LEARNED A LOT. REALLY APPRECIATE IT. I AGREE 17 WITH THE VISION OF PLAN PLANNED BAY AREA 2050, BUT LET ME GIVE 18 YOU QUICK BACKGROUND. I REPRESENT UNITED NEIGHBORS IN SAN 19 FRANCISCO BAY AREA, ALL NINE COUNTIES AND CURRENT RESIDENTS, 20 CONSTITUENTS, AND HOMEOWNERS, AND MY BIGGEST CONCERN, AND BY 21 WAY OF BACKGROUND, I WORK FOR ANDY GROVE AT INTEL THAT WAS 22 HIRED BY STEVE JOBS AT APPLE. I KNOW THE TECH INDUSTRY OUITE 23 WELL. IT'S A DRIVING INDUSTRY OF THE BAY AREA AND I WOULD SAY 24

THAT BOTH ANDY AND STEVE WOULD NOT BE -- WOULD NOT ACCEPT A



- 1 PLAN THAT THEY CANNOT SEE THE MODEL, AND THE KEY UNDERLYING
- 2 INPUTS. SO, I THINK -- I FEEL LIKE WE'RE LOOKING AT THE RESULT
- 3 OF AN EXCEL SPREADSHEET THAT YOU'RE DICTATING, RATHER THAN
- 4 LETTING VOTERS, CONSTITUENTS, RESIDENTS SEE THE KEY UNDERLYING
- 5 INPUTS AND THE MODEL. AND SO I WOULD ASK YOU, BEFORE YOU
- 6 ACCEPT THIS PLAN, TO MAKE THAT PUBLICLY AVAILABLE TO PEOPLE
- 7 THAT HAVE THE EXPERTISE TO LOOK AT THESE THINGS AND MAKE SURE
- 8 THAT THERE IS NOT A CERTAIN HAND ON THE SCALE TIPPING IN ONE
- 9 DIRECTION. THANK YOU.

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11 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: THANK YOU.

- 13 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THANK YOU BARRY. NEXT UP IS ELIZABETH, AND
- 14 SHE IS OUR LAST SPEAKER RIGHT NOW. THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
- 15 ARE REMINDED TO USE THE RAISED HAND FEATURE OR PRESS STAR NINE
- 16 IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON THIS. ELIZABETH, GO AHEAD, YOU
- 17 HAVE TWO MINUTES.

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- 19 SPEAKER: GOOD MORNING MY NAME IS ELIZABETH REID AND I AM
- 20 SPEAKING TODAY ON BEHALF OF THE CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL
- 21 DIVERSITY THE CENTER APPRECIATES MTC'S ABAG PROVISION THAT
- 22 INCORPORATING IMPROVEMENT TO MITIGATION ON IMPACTS TO THE
- 23 WILDLIFE CONNECTIVITY IN THE FINAL EIR, HOWEVER GIVEN THE
- 24 STATE'S DIVERSE EAGLES WE URGE YOU GO EVEN FURTHER PROTECT
- 25 SENSITIVE SPECIES AND HABITATS, CONNECTIVITY BETWEEN



1	HETEROGENEOUS HABITATS IN WETLANDS, CHAPARRALS, AND OAK
2	WOODLANDS TO REDWOOD FORESTS IS CRITICAL TO ADAPTING TO
3	CLIMATE CHANGE PRESERVING REGION'S UNIQUE BIODIVERSITY. AS
4	WELL YOU COULD DO MORE TO PROTECT AGAINST THE VIRUS BY
5	DISSUADING SITING OF NEW DEVELOPMENT IN HIGH WILDFIRE RISK
6	AREAS BY ENSURING INSURABILITY AND REDUNDANCY OF INGRESS AND
7	EGRESS. GIVEN THE INCREASE OF WILDFIRES IN THE WILDLAND
8	INTERFACE, STRONGER STEPS ARE NEEDED TO REDUCE WILDFIRE RISK
9	IN EXISTING COMMUNITIES. ROOFTOP SOLAR AND SOLAR MICRO GRIDS
10	SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN EXISTING AT-RISK STRUCTURES SHOULD BE
11	INCLUDED IN THE PROPOSED MITIGATION AND FINALLY CARBON OFFSETS
12	WHILE POSING A BARRIER TO REACHING REGIONAL CLIMATE GOALS
13	LOCALIZED OFFSETS SUCH AS REGIONAL RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS
14	AND PRESERVATION AND RESTORATION OF ECOLOGICAL CARBON SINKS
15	CAN HELP TO ADDRESS EMISSIONS. EFFICIENCY STANDARDS AND IMPACT
16	ON COMMUNITIES BAY AREA THAT IS AFFORDABLE CONNECTED
17	DIVERSE AND VIBRANT THIS ADDRESSES DEVELOPMENT NEEDS AS WELL
18	AS WILDLIFE HABITATS THAT ARE INTEGRAL TO OUR REGION'S HEALTH
19	AND WELL-BEING.
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21	CLERK OF THE BOARD: NEXT UP IS CHRISTY. GO AHEAD, YOU HAVE TWO
22	MINUTES.
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SPEAKER: THANK YOU FOR THE -- [AUDIO DIFFICULTIES]

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- 1 CLERK OF THE BOARD: CHRISTY, ARE YOU STILL WITH US? CHRISTY,
- 2 WE CAN'T HEAR YOU IF YOU ARE SPEAKING. ANYBODY ELSE HEAR
- 3 ANYTHING?

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5 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: NO. I CANNOT HEAR, MARTHA.

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- 7 CLERK OF THE BOARD: CHRISTY, WE WILL LOOP BACK TO YOU AFTER
- 8 COMMISSIONER COMMENTS. PLEASE FIX YOUR AUDIO IF YOU CAN.
- 9 COMMISSIONER SPERING, BACK TO YOU.

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- 11 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: OKAY. THANK YOU, MARTHA.
- 12 PRESIDENT ARREGUIN, JESS, WHAT I THOUGHT WOULD BE A GOOD WAY
- 13 TO DO THIS IS, AS WE DO THESE RESOLUTIONS, JUST HAVE THE
- 14 COMMITTEE MEMBERS COMMENT. SO AS WE GO THROUGH THEM. AND THEN
- 15 WHAT I WILL DO IS I WILL DO THE MTC, TAKE THE VOTE OF MTC, AND
- 16 THEN YOU WILL TAKE THE VOTE OF THE ABAG. MATT, IS THAT -- DO
- 17 WE HAVE TO DO IT SEPARATELY?

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- 19 MATT MALONEY: GENERAL COUNSEL CAN WEIGH IN. I WOULD ENCOURAGE
- 20 YOU TO DO IT IN TURN ACCORDING TO THE AGENDA, NOT TO COMBINE
- 21 ITEMS TOGETHER, BUT TO DO THEM IN TURN.

- 23 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: RIGHT BUT WHEN WE HAVE MTC/ABAG
- 24 RESOLUTION, DO THEY NEED TO BE DONE SEPARATELY. I MEAN, MTC
- 25 COMMITTEE MEMBERS, AND THEN ABAG?



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2	JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: I BELIEVE SO. YEAH. VOTE OF MTC
3	AND SEPARATE SHOW THE OF ABAG.
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5	JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: THAT'S WHAT I THOUGHT. JESS IS
6	THAT OKAY THAT WE TAKE THE RESOLUTIONS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS
7	AND COMMISSIONERS CAN COMMENT ON THOSE ITEMS AS WE DO IT?
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9	JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: YES.
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11	JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: OKAY FIRST 15DMTC RESOLUTION
12	FINAL TRANSPORTATION AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY ANALYSIS. AND THIS
13	WOULD BE AN ACTION OF THE MTC COMMITTEE MEMBERS. SO, I WOULD
14	LIKE TO GO AHEAD AND OPEN THAT UP FOR ANY COMMITTEE MEMBER'S
15	DISCUSSIONS? AND IF THERE IS NO DISCUSSION, I'LL ENTERTAIN A
16	MOTION TO APPROVE.
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18	DAVID CANEPA: SO MOVED.
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20	CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: AND DUTRA-VERNACI SECONDS.
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22	JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: WE HAVE DAVE CANEPA AND DUTRA-
23	VERNACI SECONDS.
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CLERK OF THE BOARD: COMMISSIONER AHN HAS HIS HAND RAISED.



1 2 EDDIE AHN: I SAW A BOARD MEMBER WHO HAD THEIR HAND UP BEFORE 3 ME. 4 5 JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: I HAVE A COMMENT. FIRST I WANT TO THANK OUR ENTIRE TEAM AT ABAG MTC FOR THE INCREDIBLE WORK 6 THESE PAST FOUR YEARS AND TO OUR COLLEAGUES, I THINK THIS PLAN 7 8 IS VISIONARY AND ADDRESSES A LOT OF THE MAJOR CHALLENGES FACING OUR REGION NOW AND IN THE FUTURE. THERE WERE COMMENTS 9 MADE DURING PUBLIC TESTIMONY REGARDING ERRORS AND PUBLIC 10 PROCESS AROUND NOT JUST THE PLANNED BAY AREA, BUT ALSO THE WAY 11 THE RHNA METHODOLOGY WAS DEVELOPED, AND I'LL JUST SAY AS CHAIR 12 OF THE HOUSING METHODOLOGY COMMITTEE, ALL OF OUR MEETINGS WERE 13 OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. WE HAD A LOT OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND 14 COMMENTS THAT HELPED INFORM THE DECISIONS OF THE HOUSING 15 16 METHODOLOGY COMMITTEE. I WANT TO RESPOND FOR THE RECORD THAT NO DECISIONS WERE MADE IN SECRET, IT WAS AN OPEN, TRANSPARENT 17 PROCESS, AND WE RECEIVED AMPLE PUBLIC TESTIMONY THAT HELPED 18 INFORM THE DECISIONS AROUND THE BASELINE DATA THAT FED INTO 19 THE METHODOLOGY, AND THE METHODOLOGY THAT WAS RECOMMENDED. 20 21 THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR. 22 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: THANK YOU FOR THOSE COMMENTS. 23 24 EDDIE?



EDDIE AHN, V. CHAIR MTC: YES, AND I ALSO APPRECIATE MTC/ABAG 1 STAFF IN ALL THEIR WORK IN RECITATION THE TRANSPORTATION 2 3 PROJECT LIST AND WORKING WITH THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO ON THAT. I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT THE LETTER, THOUGH, 4 5 THAT WAS ATTACHED IN THE CORRESPONDENCE, SAN FRANCISCO WILL CONTINUE TO DO ITS PART TO PRESERVE HOUSING. THERE ARE 6 CONCERNS ABOUT THE GROWTH FORECAST HOW IT PRESUMES HIGHER 7 8 FUTURE DENSITY ON ALREADY EXISTING MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING AND THE LETTER HIGHLIGHTS PARTICULARLY VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES AND 9 EMISSIONS DISTRICT AND WESTERN IN ADDITION RENT CONTROL UNITS 10 WE'LL CONTINUE WORKING THROUGH THIS THERE IS A NUMBER OF 11 RECOMMENDATIONS OUTLINED AND ADDITIONAL RESOURCES TO 12 SUBSTITUTIONS TO LAND USE ASSUMPTIONS FROM THE EQUITY 13 ALTERNATIVE I APPRECIATE ALL THE WORK AND EFFORTS INVOLVED BY 14 15 STAFF. 16 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: THANK YOU. WORTHY OF DISCUSSION 17 IN THE FUTURE. THANK YOU FOR THOSE COMMENTS. NEYSA FLIGOR? 18 19 NEYSA FLIGOR: THANK YOU CHAIR SPERING IS NOW THAT WE'RE MAKING 20 21 COMMENTS ON THE PRESENTATION? 22 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: YES WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO IS 23

DEAL WITH THE AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY ANALYSIS AND WITH EACH OF

THESE IF YOU WANT TO COMMENT, OR IF YOU WANT GENERAL COMMENTS

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ON THE PRESENTATION, YOU CAN MAKE THEM NOW. SO THAT WOULD BE GREAT.

NEYSA FLIGOR: I ACTUALLY HAVE A QUESTION FOR DAVE. AND FRED,

JUST SO YOU KNOW, I HAVE BEEN HERE SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING, MY AUDIO WASN'T WORKING, SO WHEN YOU WERE DOING THE

7 ROLL CALL, YOU COULDN'T HEAR ME. BUT I HAVE BEEN PRESENT.

8 THANKS FRED. DAVE, ON THE PLANNED BAY AREA 2050, I HAVE SAT

9 THROUGH AND PARTICIPATED IN MANY OF THE MEETINGS, AND COULD

10 YOU GO OVER THE REVIEW PROCESS FOR PLANNED BAY AREA 2050?

11 BECAUSE I REMEMBER LEARNING EARLY ON, MATTER OF FACT, THIS

12 GOES BACK TO WHATEVER IN-PERSON MEETINGS, WHERE IT'S NOT A

13 STATIC PLAN. RIGHT? I THINK WE REVIEWED THE PLAN MANY TIMES.

14 IF YOU COULD JUST SHARE THAT PROCESS, I THINK THAT WOULD BE

15 GREAT. >DAVE VAUTIN: CERTAINLY. FIRST OF ALL, I WOULD MENTION

16 WE DEVELOP A REGIONAL PLAN FOR THE BAY AREA EVERY FOUR YEARS

17 THIS WAS A MAJOR UPDATE THAT INVOLVED MANY STEPS ALONG THE

18 WAY. IF I'M UNDERSTANDING YOUR QUESTION, CORRECTLY, YOU KNOW,

19 JUST TO EXPLAIN THE CYCLES OF REVIEW DURING THIS PROCESS, WE

20 WENT THROUGH TWO ROUND OF THE FUTURES ANALYSIS, THE DRAFT AND

21 FINAL BLUEPRINT, THE DRAFT EIR AND FINAL EIR AND AT THE END OF

22 EACH OF THOSE PHASES, THERE WAS A MAJOR REPORT, OPPORTUNITY

23 FOR COMMENT PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES WE OFTEN HAD

24 STAKEHOLDER JURISDICTION OFFICE HOURS. AM I UNDERSTANDING YOUR

25 QUESTION CORRECTLY?



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2	NEYSA FLIGOR: NO. SO THAT INFORMATION WAS HELPFUL, BUT IT'S
3	MORE GOING FORWARD THE REVIEW PROCESS AND HOW MANY TIMES WE'RE
4	GOING TO LOOK AND WHAT THAT TIMELINE LOOKS LIKE. >DAVE
5	VAUTIN: A COUPLE OF THINGS ON THIS, GOING INTO THE NEXT COUPLE
6	OF YEARS WE'LL REVIEW THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AS A LIVING
7	DOCUMENT, ANNUALLY MTC/ABAG STAFF WILL COME BACK TO THIS
8	COMMITTEE AND REPORT-OUT ON HOW WE'RE DOING ON THOSE 80
9	DIFFERENT IMPLEMENTATION ACTIONS AND PROVIDE OPPORTUNITY TO
10	CONTINUE TO REFINE AND SHIFT AND TWEAKS THOSE ACTIONS BASED ON
11	CIRCUMSTANCES IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS. WE'LL ALSO BE DOING AN
12	UPDATE TO PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 IN THE YEAR 2025 WE ANTICIPATE
13	THAT WILL KICKOFF AROUND 2023 MIGHT BE A MORE MINOR UPDATE TO
14	WHAT WE HAVE DONE OVER THE PAST FOUR YEARS BUT OPPORTUNITY TO
15	LOOK AT WHAT ARE THE CIRCUMSTANCES AS OF A YEAR AND A HALF
16	FROM NOW WE WILL KNOW MORE ABOUT POST-COVID CONDITIONS, WE
17	HAVE INTEGRATED THEM INTO THE PLAN BUT OBVIOUSLY THERE IS A
18	LOT OF UNCERTAINTY RIGHT NOW THEY MAY CHANGE. IT IS A
19	CONTINUAL PLANNING PROCESS AND WE'LL BE BACK AT IT IN ANOTHER
20	YEAR AND A HALF OR SO.
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22	NEYSA FLIGOR: GOOD. THANKS CHAIR SPERING.



JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: THANK YOU. I DON'T SEE ANY OTHER 1 2 HANDS. IF THERE IS NO OTHER COMMENTS. MARTHA, IF YOU WOULD PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL, PLEASE, FOR THE MTC COMMISSIONERS? 3 4 5 CLERK OF THE BOARD: GENERAL COUNSEL. 6 KATHLEEN KANE: WE'LL RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT ON EACH ITEM 7 8 BEFORE THE VOTE AND NOTE THAT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED ON THIS ITEM RELEVANT TO NUMEROUS -- SOME PARTS OF IT 9 AND MEMBERS OF RESPECTIVE COMMITTEES HAVE REVIEWED IT FOR EACH 10 APPLICABLE MOTION. 11 12 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: THE PLAN PRESENTED AND WE TOOK 13 TESTIMONY ON PROPOSED RESOLUTION. 14 15 16 KATHLEEN KANE: EXACTLY. SO, THE PUBLIC COMMENT SHOULD REALLY BE FOCUSED ON IF THERE IS SOMETHING ADDITIONAL TO SAY, IN THIS 17 CASE, FOR EXAMPLE, ABOUT THE AIR QUALITY MOTION, THEN THIS IS 18 THE TIME TO TALK ABOUT THAT. WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE 19 GIVEN EVERYBODY THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. THEY SHOULD NOT 20 21 REPEAT THE COMMENTS THAT THEY MADE PREVIOUSLY. 22 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: OKAY. THANK YOU. THAT'S A SAFE 23 APPROACH. WITH THAT, MARTHA, IS THERE ANY PUBLIC COMMENTS ON 24

THE AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY ANALYSIS?



1 CLERK OF THE BOARD: NO SEPARATE PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED ON 2 3 THIS ITEM AND THERE IS ONE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED. CHRISTY, IS THIS THE ITEM YOU WANTED TO SPEAK ON? 4 5 CRISTY? 6 SPEAKER: YES. I WAS SPEAKING BEFORE, AND I GOT CUT OFF, DID 7 8 ANYONE HEAR ME? 9 CLERK OF THE BOARD: NO. WE DIDN'T HEAR YOU. THERE WAS AN ISSUE 10 ON YOUR END WITH THE CONNECTION. BUT DID YOU WANT TO SPEAK ON 11 THE FINAL TRANSPORTATION AIR OUALITY CONFIRMING THE ANALYSIS? 12 13 SPEAKER: I WAS NOT ALLOWED TO TALK BEFORE, AND I WAS TALKING 14 AND THEN A VOTE WAS -- I WAS BEING TALKED OVER --15 16 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: CHRISTY, GO AHEAD AND TAKE YOUR 17 18 TWO MINUTES NOW. 19 SPEAKER: THANK YOU. IF WE GO BACK TO WHERE MY COMMENTS WERE, 20 I WAS SAYING THAT I THINK THE CENSUS 2020 CENSUS DATA SHOULD 21 BE USED, SINCE THE METHODOLOGY USES POPULATION AND NOT AN 22 OLDER CENSUS NUMBER. THAT'S MY NUMBER ONE COMMENT. NUMBER TWO 23 COMMENT IS CAL FIRE MAPS ARE COMING OUT IN DECEMBER OF 2021, 24 AND THAT WOULD HELP ALL CITIES IN THEIR HOUSING ELEMENT KNOW 25



- 1 THE UPDATED MATCHES FROM TEN YEARS AGO. THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT
- 2 INFORMATION. IF WE CAN GET ACCESS TO IT BEFORE WE DO OUR
- 3 ANALYSIS AND ALLOCATIONS FOR EACH CITY, WE WOULD THEN KNOW OUR
- 4 VERY HIGH AND HIGH FIRE AREAS. SO, I THINK PLANNED BAY AREA
- 5 SHOULD BE WORKING WITH CAL FIRE AND GET THE MAPS OUT EARLIER
- 6 IF THEY'RE WAITING IN THE WINGS AND THEY'RE ALREADY READY, I
- 7 THINK THEY SHOULD BE RELEASED TO ALL CITY IN CALIFORNIA. THANK
- 8 YOU.

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- 10 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: OKAY. THANK YOU. I DON'T KNOW IF
- 11 DAVID OR MATT HAD ANY COMMENT? IF IT REQUIRED A COMMENT?
- 12 DAVID? >DAVE VAUTIN: YEAH. NO COMMENTS ON THAT, OTHER THAN,
- 13 YOU KNOW, WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO GETTING THE CAL FIRE MAPS.
- 14 THEY'RE STILL DRAFT AT THIS POINT SO IT'S NOT SOMETHING
- 15 AVAILABLE WE WOULD USE FOR THIS PLAN BUT WOULD DEFINITELY
- 16 INTEGRATE THEM IN THE NEXT.

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- 18 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: THANK YOU. MARTHA ANY OTHER
- 19 PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY?

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- 21 CLERK OF THE BOARD: NO ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THIS
- 22 ITEM.

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24 CLERK OF THE BOARD: [ROLL CALL VOTE] IT PASSES.



JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: OKAY. THANK YOU. LET'S MOVE TO 1 ITEM 5C. JESSE, WHAT I'LL DO IS MTC RESOLUTION 4484 TAKE A 2 3 VOTE THEN TURN IT OVER TO YOU FOR ABAG. THIS IS ON THE AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT. I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION AND 4 SECOND AND SEE IF THERE IS ANY PUBLIC COMMENT. 5 6 7 DAVID CANEPA: I'LL MOVE THE ITEM. 8 9 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: DAVID CANEPA. 10 CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: AND I GUESS I'LL SECOND IT. DUTRA-11 VERNACI. 12 13 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: THANK YOU CAROL. MARTHA ANY 14 PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ITEM? 15 16 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH 17 THEIR HAND RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED 18 19 ON THIS ITEM. 20 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL. 21 22 23 CLERK OF THE BOARD: WILL DO. [ROLL CALL VOTE] IT PASSES.



JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: THANK YOU. I'LL PASS IT OVER TO 1 PRESIDENT ARREGUIN. THIS IS ABAG RESOLUTION NUMBER 0821 FINAL 2 3 PLANNED BAY AREA 2050. JESS? 4 5 JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: THIS IS AN ACTION ITEM I'LL ASK IF THERE IS A MOTION FROM MEMBERS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE 6 7 COMMITTEE. 8 9 KAREN MITCHOFF: MOVE. 10 JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: MOVE MITCHOFF. SECOND? 11 12 DAVID E. HUDSON: SECOND. 13 14 JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: SECOND HUDSON. DISCUSSION? THE 15 16 MOTION IS TO RECOMMEND TO THE EXECUTIVE BOARD ADOPTION OF THE ABAG RESOLUTION 08, 2021, PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 EIR. I'LL ASK 17 THE CLERK TO PLEASE CALL THE ROLL. 18 19 CLERK OF THE BOARD: PUBLIC COMMENT. 20 21 22 JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: THIS IS OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC 23 COMMENT ON ABAG RESOLUTION 08 2021, THE FINAL PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 EIR. ARE THERE ANY SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM? 24



CLERK OF THE BOARD: ONE PUBLIC SPEAKER BARRY SMITH. 1 2 3 SPEAKER: QUICK COMMENT. I THINK IT WAS DAVE THAT SAID THERE WAS PUBLIC REVIEW AND TRANSPARENCY, DAVE, I'M ASSUMING THAT 4 5 MEANS THAT CITIZENS CAN GET FULL ACCESS TO THE MODEL THAT YOU USE AND THE INPUTS THAT WENT INTO IT? SAYING THAT THERE WAS 6 PUBLIC INPUT AND PEOPLE IN A BACK ROOM PLAYING WITH A MODEL IS 7 8 NOT TRANSPARENCY. THANK YOU. 9 JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: THANK YOU. ANY OTHER SPEAKERS? 10 11 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH 12 THEIR HAND RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED 13 ON THIS ITEM. 14 15 16 JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: OKAY NOW WE'RE GOING TO CALL ROLL ON THE MOTION. 17 18 CLERK OF THE BOARD: MOTION BY EKLUND SECOND BY HUDSON. [ROLL 19 CALL VOTE] PASSES UNANIMOUSLY BY ALL MEMBERS PRESENT 11 VOTES, 20 21 AYE. 22 JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: THANK YOU TURNING BACK TO CHAIR 23 24 SPERING.



1	JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: RESOLUTION 4485 FINAL PLANNED BAY
2	AREA 2050 AND IT DESERVES AN AMEN IF THERE IS A MOTION, I'LL
3	TAKE A MOTION AND A SECOND AND PUBLIC TESTIMONY.
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5	CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI: DUTRA-VERNACI MAKES THE MOTION.
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7	DAVID CANEPA: I'LL SECOND.
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9	JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: THANK YOU.
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11	DAVID CANEPA: WITH AMEN.
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13	JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: THANK YOU FOR THAT. MARTHA ANY
14	PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED?
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16	CLERK OF THE BOARD: THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH
17	THEIR HAND RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED
18	ON THIS ITEM.
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20	JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: WITH THAT PLEASE TAKE MTC
21	COMMITTEE ROLL CALL.
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23	CLERK OF THE BOARD: WILL DO. [ROLL CALL VOTE] IT PASSES.



JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: THANK YOU. I'LL TURN IT OVER TO 1 2 PRESIDENT ARREGUIN THIS IS ABAG RESOLUTION 921 PLANNED BAY 3 AREA 2050. JESS? 4 5 JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE CULMINATION OF FOUR YEARS OF WORK BY STAFF, BY THIS COMMITTEE 6 AND THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE BAY AREA WHO HAVE 7 8 PARTICIPATED IN OUR PROCESS. I WANT TO RECOGNIZE OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, THERESE MCMILLAN, WHO WOULD LIKE TO MAKE SOME 9 10 COMMENTS BEFORE WE VOTE. 11 THERESE MCMILLAN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH PRESIDENT ARREGUIN AND 12 ALSO CHAIR SPERING. AS YOUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, GIVEN THE 13 MOMENTOUS MILESTONE BEFORE US, I REALLY DID WANT TO HAVE SOME 14 15 CLOSING OBSERVATIONS. YOU KNOW, WHEN I JOINED THE AGENCY AS 16 YOUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TWO AND A HALF YEARS AGO, IT WAS 17 REALLY, RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE PLANNED BAY AREA. I WAS COMING IN ON THE TAIL END OF HORIZONS, WE WERE, SORT OF, 18 LAUNCHING THIS INITIATIVE, AND IT TRULY IS AND WAS, CONTINUES 19 TO BE A CROSS CUTTING EFFORT THAT INVOLVES ALL LAYERS OF THE 20 AGENCY. AND A COUPLE OF THINGS I THINK THAT WERE REALLY 21 IMPORTANT, AGAIN, TO REFLECT ON, THAT WERE MENTIONED, BUT I 22 JUST WANT TO WRAP THEM UP AS PART OF THIS ACTION. AS MENTIONED 23 BEFORE, EQUITY WAS INTENTIONALLY AND SPECIFICALLY INTEGRATED 24

AS A FORWARD-FACING LENS FOR THIS PLAN. BOTH MTC AND ABAG



- 1 ENDORSED AND SUPPORTED THE EOUITY PLATFORM THEY HAVE BROUGHT
- 2 FORWARD, A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO, AND IT HAS BEEN INCREDIBLY
- 3 REWARDING TO SEE HOW THAT HAS BEEN, AGAIN, ACTIVELY
- 4 INCORPORATED INTO THE PLAN ITSELF, AND WILL BE A SPECIFIC, YOU
- 5 KNOW, CONTINUING IDENTIFICATION, I THINK, OF NOT ONLY THIS
- 6 EFFORT, BUT OF THE WORK AHEAD. AND THAT'S, I THINK, IMPORTANT
- 7 FOR ALL OF US TO HOLD, PARTICULARLY, IN THESE TIMES. THE
- 8 SECOND POINT I WANTED TO MAKE IS, YOU KNOW, THE ADOPTION
- 9 ACTIONS THAT WE'RE ON THE CUSP OF FINISHING RIGHT NOW, AS I
- 10 SAID BEFORE, THIS PLAN ISN'T DONE. AND I JUST WANT TO
- 11 UNDERSCORE THE INCREDIBLE IMPORTANCE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN HOW
- 12 CRITICAL THAT IS GOING TO BE IN TERMS OF CONTINUED EFFORTS
- 13 ACROSS THIS REGION AND THE PLAN IS REALLY A NORTH STAR FOR
- 14 POLICY DISCUSSIONS ON EVERY LEVEL GOING FORWARD, AND I INTEND,
- 15 AS WE, YOU KNOW, FOR BOTH MTC AND ABAG, AS WE BRING ISSUES,
- 16 RECOMMENDATIONS FORWARD TO YOU, BOTH AT MTC AND AT ABAG TO
- 17 IDENTIFY AS PART OF THOSE, AND ASK THE QUESTION, WHAT IS THE
- 18 CONNECTION TO PLANNED BAY AREA? HOW IS IT RELEVANT? HOW DOES
- 19 IT ADVANCE WHAT OUR LONG RAGE PLAN WENT FOR. SO WE CONTINUE TO
- 20 CONNECT THE DOTS ON THE WORK AHEAD. AND THAT LEADS TO MY LAST
- 21 POINT WHICH IS CERTAINLY SOMETHING THAT THE COMMISSION WILL BE
- 22 LAUNCHING UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF CHAIR PEDROZA, AT THE
- 23 COMMISSION WORKSHOP, AS WE HAVE OUTLINED IN THIS PLAN, THE
- 24 NEED FOR TRANSFORMATIVE CHANGE IN THIS REGION, THAT IS GOING
- 25 TO CHALLENGE US TO QUESTION THE STATUS QUO OF HOW WE LOOK AT



- 1 INVESTMENTS. HOW WE LOOK AT POLICY, HOW WE LOOK AT REGULATION
- 2 AND THE LIKE. AND THERE IS GOING TO BE SOME VERY DIFFICULT
- 3 AND CHALLENGING DECISIONS AHEAD, BUT WITH, AGAIN, THE LONG
- 4 RANGE PLAN AS OUR NORTH STAR, I AM CONFIDENT AND EXCITED TO
- 5 CONTINUE TO WORK WITH YOU, AS WE BRING THIS FORWARD. AND,
- 6 AGAIN, I CAN'T BE MORE PROUD OF THIS STAFF AND THE, JUST,
- 7 UNRELENTING AND UNQUESTIONED COMMITMENT THAT THEY HAVE MADE
- 8 DOWN THE LINE IN DELIVERING THIS EFFORT. AND THANK YOU VERY
- 9 MUCH FOR ALLOWING ME TO MAKE THOSE COMMENTS.

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- 11 JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: AND I WANT TO RECOGNIZE A GREAT
- 12 PARTNER IN THIS WHOLE PROCESS, THE CHAIR OF THE METROPOLITAN
- 13 TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, SUPERVISOR PEDROZA.

- 15 ALFREDO PEDROZA: THANK YOU, PRESIDENT ARREGUIN AND TO OUR
- 16 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP, THERESE,
- 17 IT'S VERY APPROPRIATE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE WORK THAT OUR STAFF
- 18 DID, AND MAYOR ARREGUIN ALSO MADE GREAT COMMENTS ACKNOWLEDGING
- 19 STAFF. I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE ELECTED OFFICIALS THAT ARE
- 20 HERE TODAY IT TAKES COURAGE, THIS IS A PLAN THAT ADDRESSES THE
- 21 ISSUES THAT WE'RE FACING LOCALLY, BUT ALSO AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
- 22 THAT WE NEED SOME REGIONAL SOLUTIONS WE NEED TO ACT AS A
- 23 REGION BUT ALSO ENSURE THAT OUR LOCAL CONCERNS ARE BEING
- 24 ADDRESSED AND I THINK THE PLAN ADDRESSES THAT. THERE IS MORE
- 25 WORK AND FEEDBACK THAT WE HAVE TO PROVIDE, AND WE'RE GOING TO



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- 1 CONTINUE TO PROVIDE. BUT ASIDE OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
- 2 MENTIONED WE HAVE THE NORTH STAR THAT WE'RE CHASING BUT I
- 3 APPRECIATE EVERY ELECTED OFFICIAL ACKNOWLEDGES WORK THAT WE'RE
- 4 DOING TOGETHER, ADDRESSING THESE MONUMENTAL ISSUES WE'RE
- 5 FACING LOCALLY AND IT'S A PLAN LIKE THIS THAT GETS US ON THE
- 6 RIGHT TRACK AS WE FACE THE CHALLENGES THAT FACE OUR REGIONS.
- 8 JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: I WANT TO SECOND COMMENTS AND
- 9 THANK MEMBERS OF THIS COMMITTEE WHO HAVE BEEN WORKING ON THIS
- 10 PLAN FOR THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS, AND THE WORKSHOPS WITH OUR
- 11 CONSTITUENTS AND HELPING SHAPE THIS VISIONARY DOCUMENT. I WANT
- 12 TO RECOGNIZE THE LEADERSHIP OF OUR INCREDIBLE CHAIR,
- 13 SUPERVISOR SPERING, THROUGHOUT THIS ENTIRE PROCESS IN HELPING
- 14 GUIDE US TO THIS POINT IT'S AN IMPORTANT MILESTONE FOR OUR
- 15 REGION AND AGENCIES. THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP
- 16 COMMISSIONER SPERING.
- 18 DAVID E. HUDSON: YOU HAVE TO DO IT WAY BETTER THAN THAT.
- 20 JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION FROM THE
- 21 ABAG MEMBERS ON RESOLUTION 0921 TO RECOMMEND THE FINAL PLANNED
- 22 BAY AREA TO THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.
- 24 DAVID E. HUDSON: SO MOVED. HUDSON.

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KAREN MITCHOFF: SECOND, MITCHOFF. 1 2 3 JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: SECOND BY MITCHOFF. ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION? SEEING NO RAISED HANDS. I'M NOT SEEING PUBLIC 4 5 COMMENT? 6 CLERK OF THE BOARD: NO RAISED HANDS AND NO WRITTEN COMMENTS 7 8 RECEIVED ON THIS ITEM. 9 JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: ROLL CALL VOTE. 10 11 CLERK OF THE BOARD: [ROLL CALL VOTE] PASSES UNANIMOUSLY BY ALL 12 MEMBERS PRESENT 12 VOTES AYE. 13 14 JESSE ARREGUIN, ABAG CHAIR: I'LL TURN IT BACK OVER TO CHAIR 15 16 SPERING FOR THE NEXT ITEM WHICH I BELIEVE IS THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM. 17 18 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: THANK YOU, PRESIDENT ARREGUIN. 19 AND THANK YOU FOR THOSE COULDN'T COMMENTS. I TOO, JUST IN 20 21 CLOSING, ON THAT LAST ITEM, I REALLY APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT 22 WE INCLUDED THE NEAR-TERM BLUE RIBBON RECOMMENDATIONS. YOU KNOW, THESE ARE GOING TO BE VERY SIGNIFICANT IMPROVING TRANSIT 23 AND HOW IT OPERATES WITHIN THE REGION AND AS THE EXECUTIVE 24

DIRECTOR SAID, I APPRECIATE HER GUIDANCE THAT EQUITY HAS BEEN



- WOVEN INTO ALL OF THESE STRATEGIES WHICH I THINK IS REALLY 1 GOING TO SERVE THIS REGION IN THE LONG-TERM. SO THANK STAFF, 2 3 THANK EVERYONE INVOLVED IN GETTING THIS PLAN TO WHERE IT IS TODAY. MOVING TO ITEM 5E, MTC RESOLUTION 4475 TRANSPORTATION 4 5 IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM. I'LL ENTERTAIN A MOTION AND SECOND AND 6 SEE IF THERE IS ANY PUBLIC COMMENTS. 7 8 DAMON CONNOLLY: I'LL MOVE. 9 10 EDDIE AHN: SECOND. 11 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: CONNOLY AND AHN. MOTION AND 12 SECOND. MARTHA ANY PUBLIC COMMENT? 13 14 CLERK OF THE BOARD: THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH 15 16 THEIR HAND RAISED, AND THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED ON THIS ITEM. 17 18 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: OKAY. IF YOU COULD PLEASE TAKE 19 THE ROLL. 20
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- JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: THANK YOU. THIS HAS BEEN A LANDMARK MEETING, AND A LOT OF PEOPLE HAVE THANKED STAFF AND 25

CLERK OF THE BOARD: WILL DO. [ROLL CALL VOTE] IT PASSES.

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- 1 ALL, BUT I DO WANT TO THANK ALL OF THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR
- 2 YOUR PARTICIPATION AND HELPING GUIDE THIS PROCESS IT'S BEEN
- 3 LONG, AND VERY REWARDING. WITH THAT MATT MALONEY, DAVE VAUTIN.
- 4 DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS.

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- 6 MATT MALONEY: JUST LOOKING FORWARD TO OCTOBER 21ST, WHEN WE
- 7 GET BOTH BOARDS TOGETHER. THAT SHOULD BE FUN; LOOKING FORWARD
- 8 TO IT.

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- 10 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: DAVE ANY CLOSING COMMENT? >DAVE
- 11 VAUTIN: THANK YOU TO ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE.

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13 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: THERESE?

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- 15 THERESE MCMILLAN: THANK YOU TO THE COMMITTEE. THANK YOU, JIM,
- 16 FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP, AND JESS E HERE WE GO.

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- 18 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: [LAUGHTER] YEAH. THIS TRAIN IS
- 19 JUST LEAVING THE STATION. WE'LL SEE YOU ON OCTOBER 21ST MARTHA
- 20 IS THERE ANY PUBLIC COMMENT OR OTHER BUSINESS?

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- 22 CLERK OF THE BOARD: NO PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED AND WE HAVE ONE
- 23 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED. ROLAND.



- 1 SPEAKER: HELLO MARTHA AND COMMISSIONERS. I WOULD LIKE TO CLOSE
- 2 OFF BY REPEATING THE SAME SENTENCE TWICE AND I WOULD ASK THAT
- 3 YOU CONSIDER THINKING ABOUT WHAT I'M ABOUT TO SAY. FOR A
- 4 COUPLE OF MINUTES, OVER THE WEEKEND. YESTERDAY, TESLA
- 5 ANNOUNCED THAT THEY WERE RELOCATING THEIR HEADQUARTERS FROM
- 6 PALO ALTO CALIFORNIA TO AUSTIN TEXAS. I WILL REPEAT,
- 7 YESTERDAY, TESLA ANNOUNCED THAT IT WOULD BE RELOCATING THE
- 8 HEADQUARTERS FROM PALO ALTO CALIFORNIA TO AUSTIN TEXAS. THANK
- 9 YOU, AND HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND.

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- 11 JAMES P. SPERING, MTC CHAIR: THANK YOU, ROLAND. WITH THAT IF
- 12 THERE IS NO CLOSING COMMENTS. I WANT TO THANK EVERYONE. THIS
- 13 CONCLUDES OUR MEETING AND LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYONE ON
- 14 THE 21ST. WITH THAT, THE PLANNING COMMITTEE IS ADJOURNED.
- 15 THANK YOU EVERYONE. [ADJOURNED]



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