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Meeting Transcript

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ABAG REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2021, 10:00 A.M.

KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING IT'S 10:00 A.M. OCTOBER 14TH. WELCOME TO THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING. BEFORE WE DO ALL THE ROLL CALL AND EVERYTHING, COULD WE HAVE THE TAPE, PLEASE? DUE TO COVID-19, THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED AS A ZOOM WEBINAR PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ASSEMBLY BILL 361 WHICH SUSPENDS CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS OF THE BROWN ACT. THIS MEETING IS BEING WEBCAST ON THE ABAG WEBSITE. THE CHAIR WILL CALL UPON COMMISSIONERS, PRESENTERS, STAFF, AND OTHER SPEAKERS, BY NAME, AND ASK THAT THEY SPEAK CLEARLY AND STATE THEIR NAMES BEFORE GIVING COMMENTS OR REMARKS. PERSONS PARTICIPATING VIA WEBCAST AND ZOOM, WITH THEIR CAMERAS ENABLED, ARE REMINDED THAT THEIR ACTIVITIES ARE VISIBLE TO VIEWERS. COMMISSIONERS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION BY ZOOM, WISHING TO SPEAK, SHOULD USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE OR DIAL STAR 9, AND THE CHAIR WILL CALL UPON THEM AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME. TELECONFERENCE ATTENDEES WILL BE CALLED UPON BY THE LAST FOUR DIGITS OF THEIR PHONE NUMBER. IT IS REQUESTED THAT PUBLIC SPEAKERS STATE THEIR NAMES AND ORGANIZATION, BUT, PROVIDING SUCH INFORMATION IS VOLUNTARY. WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED AT INFO@BAYAREAMETRO.GOV BY 5 P.M., YESTERDAY, WILL BE POSTED TO THE ONLINE AGENDA AND ENTERED

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INTO THE RECORD, BUT WILL NOT BE READ OUT LOUD. IF AUTHORS OF THE WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK, THEY ARE FREE TO DO SO. THEY SHOULD RAISE THEIR HAND AND THE CHAIR WILL CALL UPON THEM AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME. A ROLL CALL VOTE WILL BE TAKEN FOR ALL ACTION ITEMS. PANELISTS AND ATTENDEES SHOULD NOTE THAT THE CHAT FEATURE IS NOT ACTIVE. IN ORDER TO GET THE FULL ZOOM EXPERIENCE, PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR APPLICATION IS UP TO DATE.

KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: AND I WOULD LIKE TO NOTE THAT WE ARE ALSO NOW OPERATING UNDER A.B. 412, I THINK IT IS. FOR --

CLERK, FRED CASTRO: ONE. A.B. 361.

KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. -- RELATIVE TO OUR MEETINGS AND DOING THEM THIS WAY. SO, WITH THAT, MR. CASTRO, WOULD YOU CALL THE ROLL, PLEASE?

CLERK, FRED CASTRO: YES, MA'AM. COUNCILMEMBER ADAMS?

SUSAN ADAMS: HERE.

CLERK, FRED CASTRO: ARREGUIN IS ABSENT. ASHCRAFT?

MARILYN EZZY ASHCRAFT: HERE.

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CLERK, FRED CASTRO: BONILLA?

RICK BONILLA: PRESENT.

CLERK, FRED CASTRO: BROWN-STEVENS?

SPEAKER: HERE.

CLERK, FRED CASTRO: CAMPOS?

PAUL CAMPOS: HERE.

CLERK, FRED CASTRO: SUPERVISOR CANEPA IS ABSENT. MS. CHA?

SPEAKER: HERE.

CLERK, FRED CASTRO: CRABBE?

AMBER CRABBE: HERE.

CLERK, FRED CASTRO: DILLON IS ABSENT. MAYOR EKLUND?

PAT ECKLUND: I AM PRESENT WITH MY ZOOM KITTY.

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KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: I SEE HER. I HAVE ONE TOO. SHE LOOKS JUST LIKE THAT.

CLERK, FRED CASTRO: FLIGOR?

NEYSA FLIGOR: HERE.

CLERK, FRED CASTRO: THANK YOU. MR. HANCOCK?

RUSSELL HANCOCK: PRESENT. THANK YOU.

CLERK, FRED CASTRO: MS. JONES? MS. JONES IS ABSENT. SUPERVISOR LEE? I'LL GIVE HIM ONE SECOND. SUPERVISOR LEE.

OTTO LEE: SUPERVISORS LEE HERE.

CLERK, FRED CASTRO: MAYOR MECHANIC CONNELL?

ROBERT MCCONNELL: HERE.

CLERK, FRED CASTRO: SUPERVISOR MILEY IS ABSENT. SUPERVISOR MITCHOFF?

KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: HERE.

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CLERK, FRED CASTRO: SUPERVISOR MOULTON PETERS? SUPERVISOR MOULTON PETERS IS ABSENT. MR. MUNOZ?

SPEAKER: HERE.

CLERK, FRED CASTRO: NICKENS? ABSENT. RABBIT.

DAVID RABBIT: HERE.

CLERK, FRED CASTRO: ROMERO?

CARLOS ROMERO: HERE.

CLERK, FRED CASTRO: COUNCILMEMBER ROSS?

KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: HE IS AT A MEETING. HE JUST LEFT. MAY JOIN US LATER.

CLERK, FRED CASTRO: THANK YOU. MR. SCHARFF IS ABSENT. SEDGLEY?

SCOTT SEDGLEY: HERE.

CLERK, FRED CASTRO: SPERING?

JAMES P. SPERING: HERE.

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CLERK, FRED CASTRO: MS. TRAUSS? MS. TRAUSS IS ABSENT. QUORUM IS PRESENT.

JESSE ARREGUIN: I'M PRESENT.

KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: I SEE MAYOR ARREGUIN AND MS. JONES.

STEPHANIE MOULTON-PETERS: AND MOULTON PETERS.

KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: MOULTON PETERS AS WELL. THANK YOU VERY MUCH EVERYONE. LOVELY TO SEE YOU TODAY. I DO NOT HAVE A CHAIR REPORT. I'M GOING TO MOVE ON TO OUR CONSENT CALENDAR.

CLERK, FRED CASTRO: CHAIR MITCHOFF THIS, IS FRED.

KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: YES?

CLERK, FRED CASTRO: I THINK WE SKIPPED NUMBER TWO, PUBLIC COMMENT.

KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THANK YOU. MINOR DETAIL. [LAUGHTER] ARE THERE ANY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WISH TO ADDRESS US ON ITEMS NOT ON TODAY'S AGENDA. THERE WILL BE

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OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS US ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA. MR. CASTRO ANY WRITTEN COMMENTS

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

KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: WONDERFUL. THANK YOU. WE WILL MOVE TO ITEM FIVE, WHICH IS APPROVAL OF OUR MINUTES. WE HAVEN'T MET SINCE JUNE 10TH. I KNOW. I HAVE SEEN YOU AND YOU HAVE SEEN MANY OTHERS, SINCE THEN, WITH ALL OF THE WORK OF ABAG AND MTC OVER THE SUMMER. DO I HAVE A MOTION FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR?

PAT ECKLUND: I'LL MOVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR.

KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: THANK YOU, PAT.

DAVID RABBIT: RABBIT SECOND.

KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: RABBIT SECOND. ANY PUBLIC COMMENT ON OUR CONSENT CALENDAR, FRED?

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

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KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: AND DO ANY OF MY COLLEAGUES HAVE ANY COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS? ALL RIGHT. MOVED BY EKLUND. SECOND BY RABBIT. ROLL CALL, PLEASE.

CLERK, FRED CASTRO: YES, MA'AM. [ROLL CALL VOTE] PASSES UNANIMOUSLY BY ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.

KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. THEN WE'RE MOVING TO ITEM SIX WHICH IS FINAL PLANNED BAY AREA 2050. WE HAVE TWO ITEMS, BOTH OF WHICH ARE INFORMATIONAL. ONE PERTAINING TO MTC RESOLUTION NUMBER 4484 AND ABAG RESOLUTION NUMBER 80-2021, WHICH IS THE FINAL PLAN. MR. VAUTIN? PLEASE TAKE IT AWAY. >DAVE VAUTIN: GOOD AFTERNOON EVERYONE. I'M DAVE VAUTIN ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF MAJOR PLANS.

KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: IT'S STILL MORNING, DEAR. >DAVE VAUTIN: I'M SORRY. GOOD MORNING. [LAUGHTER] PLEASED TO BE HERE TO SHARE OUR PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 ON HOUSING, ECONOMY, AND THE ENVIRONMENT. I AM PLEASED TO BE JOINED BY ADAM NOELTING, LED THE EIR PROCESS, AND CHIRAG RABARI, WHO LED THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN DEVELOPMENT, AND RALEIGH MCCOY, LED THE PLAN DOCUMENT DEVELOPMENT, AND URSULA VOEGLER WHO LED OUR PUBLIC WORK. I RECOGNIZE SOME OF YOU HAVE HEARD THIS PRESENTATION AT LEAST ONCE. APOLOGIES ON THAT FRONT. NEXT

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SLIDE PLEASE. CAN WE LOAD UP THE DECK? NEXT SLIDE. AS YOU ARE AWARE PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 HAS GONE THROUGH AN EXTENSIVE PLANNING OVER THE PAST FOUR YEARS OVER THE YEARS HORIZON INITIATIVES SHOWN HERE 2018 AND 2019 FUTURES FOCUSING ON STRATEGIES ON POLICIES INVESTMENTS AND ADVANCING EQUITY OUTCOMES UN-- DURING THAT BLUE RIBBON PROCESS THAT OCCURRED IN 2020 THE STRATEGIES WERE FURTHER REFINED TO INCREASE THE PLAN'S PROGRESS TOWARDS KEY OBJECTIVES TO WEAVE IN FURTHER PUBLIC INPUT AND GREATER EMERGING ISSUES RELATED TO POST-COVID RECOVERY. ULTIMATELY THE COMMISSION AND THE ABAG EXECUTIVE BOARD VOTED IN JANUARY 2021 TO ADVANCE THE FINAL BLUEPRINT INTO THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROCESS AS THE PROPOSED PLAN WHICH STAFF HAS RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION AS THE FINAL PLAN. THIS FOUR YEAR PROCESS CREATED A MORE COMPREHENSIVE REGIONAL VISION THAN EVER BEFORE, WITH NEW ELEMENTS FOCUSED ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESILIENCE COMP IMPLEMENTING WORK IN THE TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING SPACES. NEXT SLIDE. NOTABLY PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 IS A MAJOR EVOLUTION OF THE REGION'S VISION COMPARED TO PAST ITERATIONS OF PLANNED BAY AREA. IT REALLY INTEGRATES A STRATEGIC PIVOT AWAY FROM PREDICTING THE FUTURE AND TOWARD EMBRACING UNCERTAINTY AND PREPARING FOR IT. THE PLAN PLACES EQUITY FRONT AND CENTER AND WE WORK TO CRAFT EACH STRATEGY WITH AN EQUITY FIRST MINDSET. WE LEVERAGE NEW AND DYNAMIC FORMS OF PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT LIKE THE GAMES MAYOR OF BAYVILLE TO PRECOVID POP-UP EVENTS AT

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LIBRARIES AND FARMERS MARKETS AND PROJECT TACKLED BY INTEGRATED TEAM OF FORMER MTC AND FORMER ABAG STAFF COMING TOGETHER IN 2017 DEMONSTRATING HOUR EFFECTIVE A UNIFIED PLANNED BAY AREA CAN BE, AND ACKNOWLEDGING THE HOUSING CRISIS LAYING OUT STRATEGIES THAT ARE NECESSARY TO BRING DOWN THE COST OF EXTREME LIVING IN THE REGION. WE HAVE INTEGRATED BOLD NEW STRATEGIES TO ADDRESS TRANSPORTATION CHALLENGES AS WELL AND TO CHIEF THE AMBITIOUS GREENHOUSE GAS TARGETS SET BY THE STATE. WITH ROADWAY PRICING AND LIMITING SPEED RESULTS. FOR THE FIRST TIME RATHER THAN JUST ANALYZING SEA LEVEL RISE AS AN EXTERNAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT WE HAVE LAID OUT PROTECTIONS BOTH GREEN AND GRAY THAT RING THE BAY AND PACIFIC COAST TO MITIGATE NEARLY ALL IMPACTS THROUGH 2050. AND FINALLY THE PLAN'S IMPLEMENTATION SPECIFIES NEAR-TERM ACTIONS FOR MTC AND ABAG NOT JUST FOR THE NEXT FIVE YEARS FOR A HANDFUL OF STRATEGIES BUT FOR ALL 35 OF THEM TURNING INTO NEAR-TERM TANGIBLE ACTIONS. NEXT SLIDE. CREATING THIS PLAN WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE WITHOUT DEEP SUSTAINED ENGAGEMENT FROM THE PUBLIC ACROSS OUR DIVERSE REGION. WE WELL MORE THAN 450 MEETINGS AND EVENTS TARGETED TO THE PUBLIC AND STAKEHOLDERS OVER THE NEARLY FOUR YEAR LONG PROCESS AND BY USING INNOVATIVE AND TARGETED ENGAGEMENT TECHNIQUES WE WERE ABLE TO INCREASE PARTICIPATION AND INPUT BY AN ORDER OF MAGNITUDE COMPARED TO PRIOR LONG RANGE PLANS AND AT THE END OF THE DAY WE RECEIVED MORE THAN 234,000 PUBLIC COMMENTS. AND WE ENGAGED MORE THAN

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23,000 PARTICIPANT IN THE PLANNING PROCESS. AT THE START OF THE PROCESS WE EMPHASIZED HEARING FROM THOSE WHOSE VOICES HAVEN'T BEEN HEARD ENOUGH IN TRADITIONAL PLANNING PROCESSES TARGETING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES IN EQUITY PRIORITY COMMUNITIES AND FOCUS GROUPS. OUTREACH EFFORTS INCLUDE LISTENING AND LEARNING FROM THE NEXT GENERATION AND FROM FOLKS WHO ARE LEADING IN THIS REGION IN 2050, AND INSTEAD OF TELLING WHAT THEY'RE ALL EXCITED ABOUT WE'RE GIVING THEM THIS OPPORTUNITY TO DO SO THROUGH THIS VIDEO HIGHLIGHTING SUMMER OF 2021. IN OUR YOUTUBE VIDEO CHALLENGE. LET'S ROLL WILL CLIP.

SPEAKER: HI MY NAME IS MENIM AND I LIVE IN PLEASANTON CALIFORNIA MY PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 STRATEGY IS PROVIDING INCENTIVES TO EMPLOYERS TO SHIFT JOB LOCATION TO HOUSING-RICH AREAS THAT ARE WELL SERVED BY TRANSIT. THE REASON I REALLY LIKE THIS IS BECAUSE PEOPLE LIKE MY MOM WHO HAVE REALLY LONG COMMUTES TO WORK AND THESE COMMUTES AREN'T SERVED BY PUBLIC TRANSIT USUALLY HAVE TO DRIVE VERY LONG HOURS DAY IN AND DAY OUT SO THIS WOULD HELP NOT ONLY REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF CARS BEING USED BUT IT ALSO REDUCES STRESS OF LOTS OF THESE WORKERS.

SPEAKER: HEY MY NAME URIAL CARDOZA AND MY FAVORITE PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 STRATEGY IS MAINTAINING URBAN GROWTH BOUNDARIES IT'S SUPER IMPORTANT FOR CITIES LIKE MINE WHERE THERE IS A LOT OF

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OPEN PLOTS OF LAND THAT WOULD ALLOW DECREASING OF BIO DIVERSITY AND ALLOW US TO MAINTAIN FOCUS ON THE COMMUNITY THAT ARE ALL RIGHT BUILT AND IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF BAY AREA RESIDENTS THROUGH THAT FOCUS.

SPEAKER: HI. I'M KATHERINE FROM HERCULES CALIFORNIA AND I'M EXCITED ABOUT KEEPING AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND I THINK THIS WILL HELP BECAUSE SOME PEOPLE SLEEP ON THE FLOOR BUT THEY DON'T HAVE TO SLEEP ON THE FLOOR IF THEY GET A HOUSE, THEY GET A BED.

SPEAKER: OUT OF EVERYTHING IN PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 I'M THE MOST EXCITED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A COMPLETE STREETS NETWORK. WHEN COMPLETED THIS NETWORK WILL HELP BAY AREA RESIDENTS BY PROVIDING ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS AND IMPROVING QUALITY OF LIFE. A COMPLETE STREETS NETWORK WILL ALLOW FOR IMPROVEMENT IN ROAD SAFETY PROVIDE A MORE LIVABLE STREET ENVIRONMENT AND ALLOW FOR FASTER TRANSPORT. I HOPE BY 2050 BAY AREA RESIDENTS WILL HAVE MORE TRANSIT OPTIONS AND WILL SEE COMPLETE STREETS AS OUR URBAN LANDSCAPE.

SPEAKER: HI I'M FROM BURLINGAME WHAT EXCITES ME MOST IS THE REGIONAL RAIL NETWORK AND ELECTRIFICATION. PERHAPS WE'LL SEE SECOND TRANSBAY TWO OR VALLEY LINK, THAT SUPPOSEDLY WILL TAKE

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CARS OFF THE ROAD AND PUT FOLKS INTO ELECTRIFIED TRAINS THAT'S REALLY GOOD FOR OUR CLIMATE EMERGENCY THAT WE'RE IN RIGHT NOW.

SPEAKER: HI. I'M HILLARY, AND I'M FROM HERCULES CALIFORNIA ONE OF MY FAVORITE STRATEGIES ON THE PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 IS EXPANDING RELIABILITY AND FREQUENCY OF BUSES AND IN FACT I SEE A BUS RIGHT THERE, AND ACROSS THE STREET IS A BUS STOP THIS WOULD HELP WITH PEOPLE GETTING TO WORK AND SCHOOL ON TIME AND I THINK THIS COULD BE COMBINED WITH CONVERTING MORE BUSES TO CLEAN AIR VEHICLES SO THEY CAN REDUCE THE IMPACT OF POLLUTION. >DAVE VAUTIN: SO I WANT TO THANK ALL THE YOUTH WHO WORKED WITH US OVER THE FOUR-YEAR PLANNING PROCESS. AND I DON'T KNOW ABOUT YOU ALL BUT HEARING FROM DEFINITELY GIVES ME A LOT OF ENTHUSIASM AND HOPE FOR OUR FUTURE. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. I WANT TO PIVOT TO THE FINAL PLAN BEFORE YOU TODAY PROVIDE A QUICK REFRESHER THEN TURN TO UPDATES AND ENHANCEMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE IN RESPONSE TO FEEDBACK DURING THIS SUMMER'S PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD. DURING 2019 THE COMMISSION AND ABAG BOARD ADOPTED THE PLAN VISION AND GUIDING PRINCIPLES TO ENSURE THAT THE BAY AREA 2050 IS AFFORDABLE CONNECTED DIVERSE HEALTHY AND VIBRANT DRIVEN ALL STRATEGY DEVELOPMENT OVER THE PLANNING PROCESS AND AS A RESULT WE HAVE 35 STRATEGIES NESTED UNDER 11 THEMES IN THE FOUR ELEMENTS OF TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING, THE ECONOMY, AND THE ENVIRONMENT. AND THOSE 35 STRATEGIES ARE THE CORE OF THIS PLAN. THE TRANSPORTATION ELEMENT FOCUSES ON

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MAINTAINING AND OPTIMIZING OUR EXISTING TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM, WHILE CREATING HEALTHY AND SAFE STREETS FOR ALL ROADWAY USERS AND BUILDING OUT A HUNDRED MILLION DOLLAR NEXT GENERATION TRANSIT NETWORK FOCUSING ON HOUSING, PRODUCTION, PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION AND STARTS FIRST WITH PROTECTION AND PRESERVATION OF THE EXISTING AFFORDABLE UNITS WHILE INTEGRATING STRATEGIES FOR SPURRING NEW HOUSING CONSTRUCTION AT ALL INCOME LEVELS AND WORKING TO CREATE MORE INCLUSIVE COMMUNITIES. THE ECONOMY OF THE PLAN HAS STRATEGIES FOCUSING ON ECONOMIC MOBILITY CREATING PATHWAYS TO THE MIDDLE CLASS AND SHIFTING LOCATION TO JOBS TO GET TOWARDS BETTER JOBS/HOUSING BALANCE IN THE REGION AND ELEMENT OF STRATEGIES TO REDUCE RISK FROM HAZARDS LIKE EARTHQUAKES SEA LEVEL RISE AND EXPAND ACCESS TO PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES IN OPEN SPACE TO RECLUSE CLIMATE EMISSIONS AND ELECTRIFICATION AND DEMAND MANAGEMENT ACCOMMODATING ESTIMATED 1.4 MILLION HOUSEHOLDS IN JOBS. REQUIRING $1.4 TRILLION OVER THE NEXT 30 YEARS AND WHILE MOST TRANSPORTATION MONEY IS EXISTING WITH REMAINDER REASONABLY ANTICIPATED FROM TOLLS PARKING REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES THERE ARE NOTABLE FUNDING GAPS IN THE HOUSING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SPACES THAT WOULD NEED TO BE FILLED WITH NEW MONEYS TO REALIZE THE PLAN'S VISION. THE GOOD NEWS HERE IS THAT NEW REVENUES ARE ALREADY FLOWING FROM WASHINGTON AND SACRAMENTO TO HELP FILL FINANCIAL GAPS WITH POTENTIALLY MORE ON THE WAY. BUT WE RECOGNIZE THAT REGIONAL

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AND LOCAL ACTION TO GENERATE NEW REVENUES WILL BE NECESSARY IN THE NEXT DECADE TO TACKLE THE CHALLENGES THE BAY AREA FACES. NEXT SLIDE. WHILE WE CAN'T PREDICT THE FUTURE WE CAN ESTIMATE HOW THE STRATEGIES AT THE CORE OF THE PLAN WOULD INFLUENCE THE REGIONAL TRAJECTORY MOST IMPORTANTLY THIS PLAN IMPROVES AFFORDABLE FOR ALL BAY AREA RESIDENTS. AS WE ALL KNOW, THE AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD SPENT A SIGNIFICANT SHARE OF THEIR ANNUAL INCOME, 58% ON HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION WHICH IS WELL ABOVE THE NATIONAL AVERAGE, IN 2015. AND WITH THE STRATEGIES IN THIS FINAL PLAN, WE WOULD BE ABLE TO BRING THAT SHARE DOWN BY 13 PERCENTAGE POINTS TO 45% OF A HOUSEHOLD'S ANNUAL INCOME BY 2050 AND ACHIEVE GREATER REDUCTIONS FOR LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS. THE PLAN IMPROVES CONNECTIVITY FOR ALL BAY AREA RESIDENTS ACROSS ALL MODES OF TRANSPORTATION WITH A MORE FREQUENT AND SEAMLESS TRANSIT NETWORK THAT CONNECTS COMMUNITIES, THOUSANDS OF MILES OF NEW BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN PATHS AND FOUR OUT OF FIVE NEW HOMES WITHIN A SHORT WALK OF FREQUENCY TRANSIT WE WOULD BE ABLE TO GET WORKERS OUT OF CARS AND INTO GREEN ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION MODES. THE PLAN PROVIDES MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN EXCLUSIONARY JURISDICTIONS AND CREATES MORE CHOICES FOR HOUSING LOCATIONS FOR HOUSEHOLDS WITH LOW-INCOMES WHICH ENABLES MORE DIVERSE AND INCLUSIVE COMMUNITIES. FAMILIES WHO HAVE BEEN DISPLACED TO REGION'S PERIPHERY BUT WOULD HAVE MORE OPPORTUNITY TO RELOCATE NEAR BEST THE REGION'S BEST SCHOOLS PARKS AND OTHER INFRASTRUCTURE. THE PLAN MEETS

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THE STATE-MANDATED GREENHOUSE GAS REDUCTION TARGET AND PROTECTING NEARLY ALL HOMES FROM SEA LEVEL RISE AND THE PLAN LOOKS TO IMPROVE JOBS/HOUSING BALANCE IN COUNTIES THROUGHOUT THE BAY AREA AND STRATEGIES SUCCEED IN BRINGING MORE JOBS TO HOUSING-RICH COMMUNITIES IN NORTH AND EAST BAY AND MORE HOMES TO JOB RICH COMMUNITIES IN THE WEST AND SOUTH BAY WITH SHORTER COMMUTES FOR ALL WORKERS. NEXT SLIDE. AS YOU MAY HAVE NOTICED FROM THE OVERVIEW OF STRATEGIES, FUNDING AND OUTCOMES, THE CORE OF THE PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 REMAINS THE SAME AS THE DRAFT PLAN BUT THERE ARE MINOR UPDATES THAT REFINE PERFORMANCE OUTCOMES AS WELL AS RESPONSES AND REVISIONS TO THE FINAL PLAN WHICH WERE INFORMED BY PUBLIC COMMENTS. WE HAVE SHARED THOSE PREVIOUSLY IN AUGUST 2021, AND WE ATTACHED THEM TO THE PACKET TODAY FOR YOUR REFERENCE. I'LL NOW DISCUSS EACH ASPECT OF THE PLAN AND DESCRIBE THE TARGETED UNDATES BETWEEN DRAFT AND FINAL. NEXT SLIDE. TRANSPORTATION PERFORMANCE OUTCOMES AND FUNDING LEVELS. FOR EXAMPLE, THE SHARE OF TRIPS TAKEN BY A GIVEN MODE OF TRANSPORTATION HAVE SOME SLIGHT DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE DRAFT AND FINAL PLAN. AND THIS IS REALLY DRIVEN BY THREE TECHNICAL UPDATES. FIRST WE MADE SOME MINOR TWEAKS TO STRATEGY FUNDING LEVELS AS WELL AS THE PRECISE CATEGORIZATION OF INDIVIDUAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS NESTED WITHIN THOSE STRATEGIES. AND MOST NOTABLE HERE WAS STRATEGY EN EIGHT WHICH RELATES TO ELECTRIC VEHICLE INFRASTRUCTURE AND SUBSIDIES. IN THE THIS CASE, THE CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD OR CARB

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REQUIRED MTC AND ABAG TO GIVE THE STATE CREDIT FOR A PORTION OF THE GREENHOUSE GAS REDUCTIONS COMING FROM REGIONAL ELECTRIFICATION INVESTMENTS. IN RESPONSE, MTC ABAG STAFF SHIFTED FUNDING FROM PROGRAMMATIC CATEGORIES TOWARD THE STRATEGIES TO OFFSET LOSSES FROM THE NEW STATE REQUESTS. THIS ENABLED POSITIVE IMPACTS TO REMAIN CONSTANT BETWEEN THE DRAFT AND FINAL. STAFF CORRECTED A TECHNICAL ISSUE IN TRAVEL DEMAND MODELING THAT ASSUMED INCREASED VACATION AND PERSONAL SICK DAYS TAKEN BY WORKERS THROUGH 2050 SINCE THERE IS NO STRATEGY IN THE PLAN TO DEMAND GREATER TIME OFF FOR WORKERS THE FINAL PLAN MODELING ASSUMES THIS ASSUMPTION REMAINS CONSTANT THROUGH 2050. THE RESULT WITH FEWER BAY AREA RESIDENTS ABLE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE EXTRA VACATION TIME TO FLY OFF TO DESTINATION OUTSIDE OF REGION AND GENERATE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS THERE AND INSTEAD CONTRIBUTE MORE EMISSIONS TO THE BAY AREA THROUGH COMMUTE AND NON-COMMUTE TRIPS ON DAYS THAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE TAKEN OFF. WE SEE IMPACT OF GREENHOUSE GAS PERCENTAGE EFFECTS FROM ALTERNATIVES ACROSS THE BOARD FROM NO PROJECT PROPOSED PLAN TO EIR ALTERNATIVE 1 AND 2. STAFF FIXED CODING ERRORS FOR A FEW TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS BOTH BASED ON FEEDBACK FROM OUR TRANSPORTATION PARTNERS AND FINAL ROUND OF QUALITY CONTROL. NOTE UPDATES PERTAIN TO TRANSPORTATION MODELING, THERE WERE NO CHANGES MADE TO ECONOMIC OR HOUSING STRATEGIES AND LAND USE PATTERNS REMAIN THE SAME AS IN JANUARY 2021 WHICH IS THE BASELINE FOR THE ONGOING RHNA PROCESS. NEXT SLIDE. THESE MINOR

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UPDATES FOR TRAVEL OUTPUTS WERE FOLDED INTO THE FINAL EIR CLARIFYING AND AMPLIFYING THE ANALYSIS OF THE DRAFT RELEASED IN EARLY JUNE WHICH WE PRESENTED AT THE TIME. BEYOND THAT THE FINAL EIR FOCUSES ON RESPONDING TO APPROXIMATELY 150 EIR RELATED COMMENTS RECEIVED DURING THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH CEQA REQUIREMENTS. MANY COMMENTS RECEIVED WERE RELATED TO EIGHT KEY ISSUE AREAS WHICH WE SUMMARIZED FOR CLARITY AND CONSISTENCY KNOWN AS WHAT ARE MASTER RESPONSES SHOWN ON SCREEN INCLUDING THE REGIONAL GROWTH FORECAST COVID-19 PANDEMIC, WATER SUPPLY, EIR ALTERNATIVE SELECTION, SEA LEVEL RISE, MTC/ABAG ROLES AND AUTHORITY, THE FISCALLY CONSTRAINED TRANSPORTATION PROJECT LIST AND THOSE TRAVEL MODEL REFINEMENTS I JUST SPOKE TO. ALL NOT INCLUDED IN THE PACKET DUE TO FILE SYSTEM IS AVAILABLE ON PLANNEDBAYAREA.ORG EIR AND THERE IS A LINK IN THE PACKET AS WELL. THREE KEY TAKEAWAYS, FIRST, THERE IS NO NEW SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION ADDED TO THE DRAFT EIR IN THE FINAL THAT WARRANTS RECIRCULATION. ALL THE REVISIONS, REFINEMENTS AND RESPONSES TO COMMENT REALLY JUST SERVE TO CLARIFY AND AMPLIFY PAST ANALYSIS. SECOND, THE FINAL EIR DID NOT IDENTIFY ANY NEW SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS COMPARED TO THE DRAFT, AND IT DID NOT IDENTIFY ANY SUBSTANTIAL INCREASES IN THE SEVERITY OF ANY SIGNIFICANT IMPACT. STAFF CONTINUES TO FIND THAT EIR ALTERNATIVE ONE IS THE ENVIRONMENTALLY SUPERIOR ALTERNATIVE BOTH IN DRAFT AND FINAL. THIRD, THE FINAL EIR DOES NOT MAKE A

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RECOMMENDATION ON WHICH ALTERNATIVE TO ADVANCE, BUT THE JOINT MTC PLANNING AND ABAG ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE MADE THAT RECOMMENDATION AT THEIR COMMITTEE MEETING LAST WEEK, WHICH I'LL DISCUSS ON THE NEXT SLIDE. NEXT SLIDE PLEASE. THANK YOU. GIVEN THESE TAKE-AWAY'S AND THE COMPLETION OF THE PUBLIC REVIEW PROCESS THIS SUMMER, STAFF IS RECOMMENDING THAT THE COMMISSION AND BOARD CERTIFY THE FINAL EIR NEXT WEEK. THE JOINT PLANNING AND ADMIN COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION AND BOARD AT THAT TIME ALSO ADOPT A PROPOSED PLAN AS FINAL PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS. WHICH WE'RE CURRENTLY WEAVING INTO THE CEQA FINDINGS AND WILL BE POSTED AS PART OF THE JOINT COMMISSION BOARD PACKET. THE CEQA FINDINGS INCLUDE A STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS IDENTIFIES LEGAL, SOCIAL, AND OTHER ECONOMIC FACTORS THAT SUPPORT APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED PLAN. HERE ARE THE FOUR KEY REASONS TO ADVANCE PROPOSED PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 AS FINAL: FIRST THE PROPOSED PLAN REFLECTS GREATER PUBLIC AND STAKEHOLDER INPUT THAN OTHER EIR ALTERNATIVES STRATEGIES THAT DRIVE THE PLAN WERE GENERATED, ITERATED, REVIEWED BY PUBLIC AND STAKEHOLDERS AND REVISED THOROUGHLY FROM FUTURES TO DRAFT TO FINAL BLUEPRINT. WHILE STRATEGIES IN THE EIR ALTERNATIVES RESPOND TO COMMENTS DURING SCOPING THEY ARE OFTEN IN CONFLICT WITH PUBLIC AND STAKEHOLDER INPUT RECEIVED EARLIER IN THE PLANNING PROCESS. EXAMPLES HERE INCLUDE DEFERMENT OF ALL FREEWAY EXPANSION PROJECTS IN THE EIR ALTERNATIVE ONE WHICH IS

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INCONSISTENT WITH COUNTY PRIORITIES IN COUNTY SALES TAX MEASURES AND INCLUSION OF OFFICE DEVELOPMENT CAP STRATEGIES IN EIR ALTERNATIVE TWO WHICH DOES NOT ALIGN WITH COMMISSION AND BOARD DIRECTION ON ECONOMIC STRATEGIES PROVIDED DURING 2020 AS IT RELIES ON THE STICK BASED APPROACH RATHER THAN CARROT BASED APPROACH. AND STRATEGIES DURING SCOPE WENT THROUGH LESS STRESS TESTING DURING HORIZON BLUEPRINT PHASES IN CONTRAST TO THE 35 FINAL STRATEGIES THAT WERE CONTINUALLY HONED AND REFINED TO MAXIMIZE EFFICACY TOWARDS RESILIENCE AND EQUITY GOALS. THIRD, THE PROPOSED PLAN ADVANCES ALL FIVE GUIDING PRINCIPLES APPROVED AT THE START OF THE PLANNING PROCESS WHILE MEETING FEDERAL AND STATE REQUIREMENTS. NOTABLY THE NO PROJECT ALTERNATIVES FAILS TO MEET MOST OF THE PROJECT OBJECTIVES AS WELL BY ALTERNATIVE TWO WHICH DOES NOT ADVANCE THE VIBRANT GUIDING PRINCIPLES AS IT EXACERBATES JOBS/HOUSING BALANCE BETWEEN SAN FRANCISCO AND IT'S NEIGHBORS. FINALLY THE PROPOSED PLAN IS BEST POSITIONED TO IMPLEMENTATION DUE TO STRATEGY BUY-IN AND ENGAGEMENT WITH OUR STAKEHOLDERS AND THE PUBLIC IN THE IMPLEMENTATION PHASE. THAT PRODUCT DEFINES ACTIONS REFINED FOR EACH OF THE STRATEGIES AND IT WILL ENSURE THAT MTC AND ABAG WILL BE ABLE TO HIT THE GROUND RUNNING NEXT YEAR. NEXT SLIDE. SO PIVOTING NOW FROM THE EIR TO THE PLAN DOCUMENT AND THE VARIOUS SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS, THIS COMPONENT OF FINAL PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 SAW SOME FOCUSED IMPROVEMENTS BETWEEN DRAFT AND FINAL, DESIGNED TO CLARIFY THE PLAN AND RESPOND TO COMMENTS

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RECEIVED. WE DID INCLUDE THE FINAL PLAN DOCUMENT IN YOUR PACKET AND ALTHOUGH SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS ARE AVAILABLE ON PLANNEDBAYAREA.ORG. A FEW HIGHLIGHTS HERE. NEW SIDE BARS ON CRITICAL ISSUES LIKE THE BLUE RIBBON TRANSIT RECOVERY TASK FORCE AND ITS WORK THIS SUMMER WERE ADDED AS WELL AS THE ADDITIONAL CONTEXT ON A COVID-19 AND HOW IT WAS INTEGRATED INTO THE PLAN IN 2020 AND 2021. NEW AND IMPROVED MAPS WERE ADDED ON IMPORTANT ISSUES LIKE PARKS, RECREATION, AND CONSERVATION, AS WELL AS A MORE COMPREHENSIVE LOOK AT EXPRESS BUSES FUNDED UNDER STRATEGY T12 ADDITIONAL CLARITY ADDED TO KEY ISSUES ON THE PLAN DOCUMENT INCLUDING REFLECTION OF NEEDS OF ELDERLY AND DISABLED PERSON IN EACH OF THE PLAN ELEMENT CHAPTERS. NEXT SLIDE. FINALLY THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AND HOW BROADLY MTC AND ABAG CAN PIVOT FROM THIS FOUR YEAR PLANNING EFFORT TO EQUALLY IMPORTANT WORK. WE PROVIDED A PREVIEW OF THE FINAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN TO VARIOUS MTC AND ABAG COMMITTEE IN SEPTEMBER AND WE HAVE NOW WOVEN THAT INTO THE FINAL CHAPTER OF THE PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 DOCUMENT. SINCE THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN WAS A MORE FOCUSED ONE YEAR EFFORT WITH THE PARTNERSHIP PHASE HAVING ACTIVE DIALOGUE THIS SUMMER SIZABLE REVISIONS TO INTEGRATE STAKEHOLDER AND PUBLIC FEEDBACK HAVE BEEN MADE BETWEEN THE DRAFT AND FINAL IN CONTRAST TO MOST OTHER ASPECTS OF THE FINAL PLAN. THE 80 PLUS ACTIONS IN THE FINAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN PROVIDE MORE SPECIFICITY ON HOW MTC AND ABAG WILL PLAY A ROLE IN THE NEAR-TERM, NOW INCLUDING GENERAL

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TIME FRAMES AND REFINEMENTS TO WHETHER MTC AND ABAG ARE IN A LEAD, PARTNER, OR SUPPORT ROLE. THE FINAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN ACKNOWLEDGES MANY OF THE POTENTIAL PARTNERS THAT WILL BE ESSENTIAL TO REALIZING THE PLAN'S WIDE RANGING VISION WITH EXPANDED REFLECTIONS ON THE IMPORTANT ROLE THAT LABOR ORGANIZATIONS CAN PLAY. WE'RE NOT GOING TO RUN THROUGH ALL 80 PLUS ACTIONS TODAY BUT WE WANT TO GIVE YOU A FLAVOR OF WHAT'S NEXT IN 2022 WHICH IT COMES TO IMPLEMENTING EACH ELEMENT OF THE PLAN. NEXT SLIDE. STARTING WITH HOUSING. THERE IS A LOT GOING ON IN THE REGIONAL HOUSING SPACE AS WE WORK TO ASSIST LOCAL JURISDICTIONS WITH THE IMPORTANT WORK OF UPDATING THEIR HOUSING ELEMENTS. GOING INTO 2022, ADVANCING THE EXPANDED REGIONAL HOUSING PORTFOLIO WILL ENABLE MTC AND ABAG TO MAKE PROGRESS ON A HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION SYSTEM, THE DOORWAY OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING PLATFORM, AND MORE. WE'RE ALSO WORKING ON THE TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT POLICY UPDATE NEXT YEAR, WHICH WILL YEAR-OLD ENHANCED GUIDANCE FOR LOCAL JURISDICTIONS ON A CRITICAL LAND USE AND TRANSIT CONNECTIONS. NEXT SLIDE. 2022 ALSO PRESENTS OPPORTUNITIES FOR MTC AND ABAG TO PARTNER ON ACCELERATING THE REGION'S ECONOMIC RECOVERY. WITH FUNDING PROGRAMS LIKE THE ONE BAY AREA GRANT CYCLE THREE, AND REAP 2.0 ACTIVELY BEING CRAFTED THIS MAY PRESENT OPPORTUNITIES TO FUND WORK ON THE PILOT PRIORITY PRODUCTION AREA PROGRAM, AS WELL AS A WINDOW TO UPDATE THE AGENCY'S ADVOCACY PLATFORM TO REFLECT EMERGING ECONOMIC PRIORITIES. NEXT SLIDE. IN THE

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TRANSPORTATION SPACE, 2022 IS A PRIME OPPORTUNITY TO POSITION BAY AREA TRANSIT FOR SUCCESS IN THE YEARS AHEAD. BLUE RIBBON IMPLEMENTATION FURTHER PROGRESS ON THE MAJOR PROJECT ADVANCEMENT POLICY, AND COMPLETION OF THE FARE COORDINATION STUDY WILL ALL PLAY A ROLE HERE. IN THE NEXT GENERATION FREEWAY STUDY IS ANTICIPATED TO KICKOFF THIS WINTER, WHICH WE'LL BE CONDUCTING DEEP AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT TO EXPLORE AND TRANSFORM OUR AGING 20TH INDUSTRY FREEWAY NETWORK AND PRICING AS A KEY PIECE OF THE PUZZLE. IMPLEMENTATION IN ENVIRONMENT ELEMENT WILL ALSO BE FAST TRACKED IN 2022 AND BEYOND SEA LEVEL RISE FUNDING INVESTMENT STRATEGY WAS SPECIFICALLY A IDENTIFIED AS A PRIORITY IN THIS PLAN AS WELL AS BAY ADAPT AND BCDC SEA LEVEL RISE EFFORTS WILL KICKOFF AND WILL BE REFINED IN SHORELINE SOLUTIONS ENVISIONED IN PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 AND EXPLORING FUNDING SOURCES THAT WOULD BEST POSITION THE REGION FOR SUCCESS IN THIS SPACE. AND WORKING WITH AIR DISTRICT PARTNERS TO ACCELERATE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CRITICAL CLIMATE STRATEGIES, ELECTRIC VEHICLE SUBSIDIES AND MARKETING ARE ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL TO MEET OUR GREENHOUSE GAS TARGETS. NEXT SLIDE. ALL OF THESE INITIATIVES AND MANY MORE WILL HELP BRING THIS LONG RANGE PLAN TO LIFE. WE HAVE ENGAGED WITH THOUSANDS OF RESIDENTS DURING THE COURSE OF THE PROCESS AND LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING TO ENGAGE WITH THEM AS WE MOVE INTO IMPLEMENTATION. FURTHERMORE THIS WORK WILL REQUIRE DELIBERATE AND SUSTAINED PARTNERSHIP AND THROUGH THAT WORK WE

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BELIEVE MTC AND ABAG WILL MAKE PROGRESS WITH OUR PARTNERS TOWARDS THE BOLD STRATEGIES LAID OUT IN THIS PLAN IN THE YEARS AHEAD. NEXT SLIDE. BEFORE WE CAN TRANSITION TO IMPLEMENTATION, MTC AND ABAG WILL NOW CONSIDER FINAL PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 FOR ADOPTION TO SERVE AS THE REGION'S OFFICIAL PLAN. WE ASK -- WE WILL BE ASKING THAT THE COMMISSION AND BOARD ADOPT SIX RESOLUTIONS NEXT THURSDAY OCTOBER 21ST. THESE INCLUDE THE FINAL AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY ANALYSIS, THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT, THE FINAL PLANNED BAY AREA 2050 ITSELF, AND THE 2021 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM WHICH ALIGNS OUR NEAR-TERM TRANSPORTATION PLANNING WITH THE FINAL PLANS TRANSPORTATION ELEMENT. I WANT TO THANK ALL OF THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR YOUR TIME, AND WE'RE HAPPY TO TAKE YOUR QUESTIONS NOW.

KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: SONJA, GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

SONJA TRAUSS: I HAD A QUESTION ABOUT THE JOBS/HOUSING BALANCE. WHAT IS THE CURRENT JOBS/HOUSING BALANCE? AND WHAT IS YOUR TARGET? OR -- HOW MUCH DO YOU EXPECT IT WILL IMPROVE? PROBABLY TOLD US THIS BEFORE, I JUST FORGOT. >DAVE VAUTIN: WELL, REGION-WIDE, AT THE PRESENT DAY, IT'S AROUND 1.5 JOBS PER HOUSING UNIT. IN 2050 IT'S AROUND 1.3, BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY IS WHAT IT IS ON EACH COUNTY LEVEL. SO I WON'T RATTLE OFF ALL THE RATIOS, BUT IN THE PLAN WE HAVE PRODUCED

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THE JOBS/HOUSING RATIO ON A COUNTY SCALE YOU CAN SEE COUNTIES THAT ARE JOB RICH ARE MOVING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION IN TERMS OF GETTING CLOSER TO THAT REGIONAL AVERAGE OF 1.3 AND COUNTIES FOR HOUSING-RICH SEEING SOME IMPROVEMENTS TOWARDS CONVERGING THE REGIONAL AVERAGE TOWARDS 1.3. NOT SAYING EVERY COUNTY WILL GET TO 1.3, BUT THEY'RE MOVING IN THE DIRECTION.

SONJA TRAUSS: IS 1.3 JUST THE OUTCOME OF A LOT OF OUR OTHER PLANS TO REDUCE COMMUTES? OR IS THERE SOME PARTICULAR THEORY ABOUT 1.3 BEING A GREAT TARGET? >DAVE VAUTIN: I GUESS I WOULDN'T DESCRIBE 1.3 AS A TARGET IT'S A REFLECTION OF OUR REGIONAL GROWTH FORECAST. SO THE STRATEGIES IN THE PLAN WORK TO CREATE MORE HOUSING. THEY HELP TO ADDRESS OVERCROWDING, AND, SO, YOU KNOW, THERE IS SOME SIGNIFICANT ACTION THERE. WE ALSO SEE THAT CHANGE IN THE JOBS/HOUSING RATIO, IN PART, BECAUSE WE HAVE AN AGING DEMOGRAPHICS IN THE REGION. SO AS WE GO FORWARD, IT -- YOU KNOW, THERE IS GOING TO BE A LARGER RETIRED POPULATION THAT IS NOT IN THE WORKFORCE SO WE SEE A SLIGHT DECLINE IN JUST THAT RATIO, AS WELL. SO THERE IS A FEW THINGS IN PLAY THERE.

SONJA TRAUSS: THANK YOU.

KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: OKAY. AL?

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AL SAVAY: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. DAVE, GREAT PRESENTATION. AND IT'S REALLY EXCITING, AND AN AMBITIOUS PLAN. UNDER KEY OBJECTIVES, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT YOU NOTED ON HOUSING, AFFORDABLE HOUSING, IS THAT THERE WILL BE SOME FUNDING SOURCES FROM STATE AND FEDERAL DOLLARS AND THINGS LIKE THAT AROUND IMPLEMENTATION. AND, SO, IS SOMEBODY FROM ABAG MTC GOING TO BE A LIAISON TO THE CITIES AND COUNTIES SO THAT WE HAVE SOME ASSISTANCE IN ACCESSING THOSE DOLLARS. AT THE CITY AND COUNTY LEVEL IT'S TOUGH FOR STAFF THAT ARE ALREADY, YOU KNOW, KIND OF TIGHT ON THEIR RESOURCES, TO KIND OF GO AFTER THESE DOLLARS, AND KNOW WHO TO GO TO. AFFORDABLE HOUSING, AS WE ALL KNOW IS ONE OF THE KEY ISSUES IN THE REGION, AND SO ANYTHING THAT WE CAN DO TO MAKE IT MORE AFFORDABLE, OR TO GET THOSE DOLLARS TO THE LOCAL LEVEL, WOULD BE GREAT. BUT IT'S TOUGH FOR OUR LOCAL ENTITIES TO KIND OF GO AFTER THOSE DOLLARS. SO, THAT'S MY QUESTION, WOULD BE, YOU KNOW, IS -- HOW DO YOU SEE IMPLEMENTATION, AND BRIDGING THE GAP BETWEEN THE, YOU KNOW, LOCAL COUNTY ENTITIES, AND, YOU KNOW, THE FOLKS WITH THE BOOTS ON THE GROUND, GETTING THOSE DOLLARS AND HELPING AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THEIR COMMUNITIES? >DAVE VAUTIN: THANKS FOR THE QUESTION, AL. I'M GOING TO PASS THIS QUESTION ALONG TO CHIRAG RABARI WHO LEAD OUR PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION WORK.

CHIRAG RABARI: HI. GOOD MORNING. ONE KEY THING I WOULD POINT TO IS WITH THE REGIONAL EARLY ACTION PLANNING FUNDING THAT WAS

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MADE AVAILABLE THE FIRST ROUND OF FUNDING THAT WAS MADE AVAILABLE FROM THE STATE, THERE HAS ACTUALLY BEEN A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF INFRASTRUCTURE THAT HAS BEEN BUILT-UP IN TERMS OF TECHNICAL CAPACITY, AND RESOURCES, THAT MTC AND BAG ENTERING BEEN ABLE TO DEVELOP TO PROVIDE TO LOCAL JURISDICTIONS. THERE HAVE BEEN A HOST OF WORKING GROUPS AND COUNTY COLLABORATIVES, YOU KNOW, THAT ARE REALLY FOCUSED ON TRYING TO PROVIDE EITHER CONSULTANT RESOURCES, OR OTHER SORTS EVER RESOURCES TO HELP LOCAL JURISDICTIONS, YOU KNOW, WITH THEIR -- THEIR PRIORITY DEVELOPMENT AREA PLANNING, WITH THEIR GENERAL PLAN HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATES, AND FORTHCOMING, YOU KNOW, SORT OF, RHNA COMPLIANCE. AND I WOULD EXPECT THAT ANY FUTURE FUNDING THAT WOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE, IN PARTICULAR, SO-CALLED REAP 2.0, SOME ADDITIONAL FUNDING THAT HAS COME FROM THE STATE, WOULD REALLY BE LOOKING TO BUILD UPON AND EXPAND THIS INFRASTRUCTURE THAT HAS BEEN PUT IN PLACE OVER THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS.

AL SAVAY: THANK YOU.

KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: SO SORRY. THE KITTY CAT IS DEMANDING ATTENTION. RICK BONILLA?

RICK BONILLA: THANK YOU. WHEN WE WERE ON SLIDE, 17, PROBABLY, TALKING ABOUT THE POSSIBLE INVOLVEMENT OF BAHFA IN PLANNING

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FOR THE $20 MILLION OF USE, I THINK, FOR SHORT-TERM HELP WITH HOMELESSNESS. IS THERE ANY WAY THAT ANY MEMBERS -- ANY MEMBER CITIES OR AGENCIES, ANY INDIVIDUALS, THOSE OF US WHO CAN PARTICIPATE IN THAT OR BECOME AWARE OF WHO IS DOING THAT, WHAT'S GOING ON AND WHAT'S BEEN DONE AND SO FORTH?

MATT MALONEY: RICK, THIS IS MATT MALONEY DIRECTOR OF PLANNING. I BELIEVE CHAIR MITCHOFF REPORTED OUT AT THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING THAT WE HAVE AN ABAG HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING THIS AFTERNOON AT 1:00 JOINTLY WITH THE BAHFA ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AND THAT'S, SORT OF, THE JOINT COMMITTEE WHERE WE'RE PROVIDING INFORMATION AND ACTION AROUND BAHFA ACTIVITIES, AS WELL AS THE ABAG REGIONAL HOUSING PORTFOLIO. IN FACT TODAY WE'LL TALK ABOUT THE RECENT POLLING INFORMATION WE HAVE GOTTEN, ABOUT THE IDEA OF A 2022 MEASURE, AND WE'LL ALSO TALK ABOUT STATE LEGISLATIVE ACTION ON THAT FRONT. AND IT'S GOING TO BE THE FORUM FOR US TO KIND OF DISCUSS THE BAHFA PILOT PROGRAMS, THE $20 MILLION, AND KIND OF, NEXT STEPS, ON ALL OF THAT. SO I WOULD JUST KIND OF DIRECT YOU TO THOSE MATERIALS AND WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THAT COMMITTEE, WHICH, AGAIN, IS MEETING THIS AFTERNOON.

KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: AND IF STAFF COULD EITHER PUT IN THE CHAT, OR SEND OUT -- I'M LOOKING -- I HAVE GOT THE REGIONAL PLANNING ZOOM INFORMATION, BUT I DON'T THINK I HAVE -- OH

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THERE IT IS THERE IS THE HOUSING -- RICK, IF YOU NEED IT, WE'LL BE HAPPY TO SEND THAT TO YOU. ALL RIGHT. MARILYN, PLEASE?

MARILYN EZZY ASHCRAFT: GOOD MORNING CHAIR MITCHOFF AND EVERYONE. FIRST I WANT TO SAY, I LOVE THAT VIDEO. AND I THINK IT IS SUCH A GREAT REMINDER OF WHY WE ARE DOING PLANNED BAY AREA 2050. IT'S FOR THE NEXT GENERATION AND THOSE THAT FOLLOW. AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH, DAVE VAUTIN, AND STAFF, FOR PUTTING ALL OF THIS TOGETHER. SO MY QUESTION ALSO RELATES TO THE BAHFA EFFORTS, AND THERE BEING SOME UNCERTAINTY IN FUNDING SOURCES. BECAUSE I HAVE ALSO HEARD A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE POLLING. AND THIS IS A CHALLENGING TIME TO BRING A REVENUE RAISING MEASURE. SO MY QUESTION IS, HOW WILL THE HOUSING FEATURES IN THIS PLAN BE DEALT WITH? HOW WILL THEY BE SCALED BACK? TRIAGED? WHATEVER? IF THE FUNDING SOURCES DON'T COME THROUGH AT THE LEVEL WE HOPE, OR WITH THE TIMING THAT WE HOPE. YOU KNOW? SOMETIMES IT'S NOT ADVANTAGEOUS TO PLACE A MEASURE ON THE 2022 BALLOT SO I KICK IT OVER TO 2024 FOR A BETTER CHANCE OF SUCCESS. I AM SURE YOU HAVE THOUGHT OF THAT, YOU WOULD JUST LOVE TO HEAR WHAT SOME OF THE INSIGHT IS. THANK YOU. >DAVE VAUTIN: THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION. I ENJOY THE VIDEO AS WELL, SO I'M GLAD TO HEAR THAT. I THINK, WITH REGARDS TO HOUSING -- AND FIRST OF ALL, THE PLAN REQUIRES NEW REVENUE, BUT THAT DOES NOT MEAN THAT ALL THOSE NEW REVENUES ARE ASSUMED

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TO APPEAR NEXT YEAR. SO WE REALLY DO UNDERSTAND THAT IT'S GOING TO BE A LONG -- THIS IS A LONG-TERM PLAN, AND FUNDING TAKES TIME TO GENERATE NEW MONEY. THERE MAY BE OPPORTUNITY ON THE FEDERAL AND STATE LEVELS IN THESE SPACES, IN THE NEAR-TERM, MAYBE SOME OF THE REGIONAL MEASURES ARE FURTHER OUT IN THIS DECADE. BUT THIS IS A LONGER TERM VISION THAN JUST THE NEXT YEAR OR TWO. THE OTHER THING I WILL POINT OUT IS IN THE HOUSING SPACE. ONE OF THE INTERESTING THINGS IN THIS PLAN IS THERE ARE STRATEGIES THAT ARE HIGH COST AND STRATEGIES THAT ARE MUCH LOWER COST, THEY ARE SOMETIMES CHALLENGING POLITICALLY TO ADVANCE, BUT THERE ARE STRATEGIES OUT THERE THAT DON'T ALWAYS INVOLVE SIGNIFICANT INFUSIONS OF MONEY, AND ASSOCIATION AS WE, YOU KNOW, AS WE KIND OF GRAPPLE WITH THE FUNDS AVAILABLE, IN THE NEAR-TERM, WE CAN, YOU KNOW, REALLY LOOK TOWARDS SOME OF THE LOW COST LOW-HANGING FRUIT STRATEGIES TO TACKLE EARLY ON, WITH LOOKING AHEAD TOWARDS FUTURE FUNDING MEASURES IN HOUSING, AND TRANSPORTATION, AND RESILIENCE, YOU KNOW, THAT ARE MUCH LARGER SCALE THAT WOULD HELP TO FILL THOSE GAPS FOR THE HIGHER COST STRATEGIES.

KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: OKAY. ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS? I'M NOT SEEING ANY HANDS. FRED, DO WE HAVE ANY PUBLIC COMMENT ON THIS ISSUE?

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CLERK, FRED CASTRO: THERE WERE NO PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED IN WRITING, AND I SEE NO MEMBERS OR ATTENDEES WITH THEIR HAND RAISED. ACTUALLY THERE, IS NO ATTENDEES.

KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. WE'LL MOVE TO ITEM 6B WHICH, AGAIN, IS AN INFORMATIONAL ITEM. THE LAST ONE WAS ON THE EIR, THIS IS ON THE OVERALL PLAN. GO AHEAD, AGAIN, DAVE. >DAVE VAUTIN: CHAIR MITCHOFF, THE PRESENTATION WAS DESIGNED TO COVER BOTH ITEMS TODAY, BUT I AM MORE THAN HAPPY TO TAKE ANY ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS.

KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: NO. I'LL JUST ASK IF THERE IS ANY PUBLIC COMMENT, JUST TO MAKE SURE WE COVER OUR BASES, ON 6B.

CLERK, FRED CASTRO: NO PUBLIC WRITTEN COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED FOR 6B, NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WITH THEIR HAND RAISED.

KAREN MITCHOFF, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU EVERYONE. I'LL SEE MANY OF YOU AT 1:00. AND OUR MEETING IS ADJOURNED. OUR NEXT MEETING OF THIS COMMITTEE WILL BE ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9TH. HAVE A GOOD MORNING, THE REST OF YOU, AND A GREAT DAY. BYE-BYE. [ADJOURNED]

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